



# THE FEDERATION OF MIDDLEHAM CE (VA) AND SPENNITHORNE CE (VC) SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

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**Apply to join North Yorkshire Local Access Forum**



**Speak up on Countryside Access**

- Are you:
- > Interested in rights of way and green spaces to explore and enjoy the countryside?
  - > Keen to help shape the future of rural and urban paths, and open access land?
  - > Able to represent land owners and managers, or access users, or other interests?
  - > Able to spare a morning every four months or so?

### Apply to join the North Yorkshire Local Access Forum

North Yorkshire Local Access Forum are currently recruiting new members. People with a passion for the country side and interested in exploring their neighbourhoods are invited to apply.

The Forum is an independent body that advises North Yorkshire County Council, and other relevant bodies, on how people can make the most of opportunities for getting out and about in the great outdoors. It brings together representatives of land managers, users and other relevant fields or areas of interest to watch over and help shape the future of footpaths, bridleways, byways, open access land and other green spaces within North Yorkshire outside of the boundaries of the two National Parks.

If you feel that, in a voluntary capacity, you could contribute to the Forum's work by becoming involved as a Member

To ensure the Forum represents the varying aspects of 'access' both to the countryside and in urban areas, applicants are sought who are interested in any of the following:

• Walking and Rambling	• Land Owners, Managers and Farming
• Running and/or Orienteering	• Nature Conservation and Environment
• Cycling and Mountain Biking	• Rural / Local Business
• Equestrian pursuits (riding or driving)	• Tourism
• Motorised vehicle and motor bike use	• Health promotion
• Water based activities and sports	• Education
• Youth Services / Organisations	• Local Authority
• Disabled and Disadvantaged Groups	• Public Transport
• Ethnic Minority Communities	

The closing date for applications is 26 October 2018. To apply, request an information pack and application form from: [Melanie.Carr1@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Melanie.Carr1@northyorks.gov.uk)

## PLASTIC BOTTLES AND 4 PINT MILK CARTONS

We are looking at doing some serious recycling on our golden day. Can you help?

We would like large plastic bottles to make poppies to commemorate the end of the World War I. We will also make tree decorations and use some for weaving. We also plan to use 4 pint plastic milk cartons for some recycled art.

Please start bringing bottles in as from Monday. We are getting lots of milk bottles but still need plastic bottles for the poppy art, the tree decorations and weaving. These three activities can be done with one bottle each! We need enough for each child to have one of each bottle

Thank you in advance.

## PARENTS EVENINGS

You will have received your parents evening appointment times letter this week.

Books will be available for you to look through in the hall. Please ensure you leave ample time to look through the books before your 10 minute appointment slot. Often, the reason we run behind schedule is that people are not on time and that pushes everything back and can be frustrating for those with later appointments.

Also, we will have on display Christmas cards for you to look at. This year, we have used the same company but due to complications last year, we have decided to go for a school order sheet which we will then organise for you.

For Middleham parents, please come through the main KS2 doors (not the front entrance)

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

## AVAILABILITY

Next week, I will be in Middleham on Monday afternoon, Wednesday and Friday and Spennithorne on Monday morning, Tuesday and Thursday.

## KS2 CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to all KS2 pupils who took part in the annual cross country event at Richmond school. Regardless of where each child came in their race, to me, they are winners because they all gave it a go.

## FORTNITE SAFETY SONG

This is a great song – worth a watch. The link is also on our Facebook page.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j150BqInjnY&feature=youtu.be>

## AUTUMN DISCO 6.30-8pm

We are looking forward to seeing you all at our Autumn Disco at Spennithorne tonight. Can I please ask that at 8pm, all parents wait outside and we will bring your children out to you, one by one. I know this might take slightly longer but it means I can ensure all children go home safely.

The cost of the ticket covers entrance and hot dog but there are also glow sticks, crisps and sweets to buy.



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For Spennithorne parents, please note, there will be no Film Club on that evening (23rd October)

## BONFIRE LUNCH

Join us for a special 'Bonfire Lunch' at both our schools on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, the first day back after the half term break. On the menu will be:

MIDDLEHAM – Sausage or Beef Burger in a bun with potato wedges and baked beans, followed by Toffee Apple Crumble Cake with Custard or Fruit and Yoghurt.

The cost of an adult meal is £3.60 and we ask that this money is paid in cash to the office. A menu with order form is available from today.

## SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The deadline for applying for a place for 2019 is 31 October 2018. This deadline is during half term.

## SICKNESS IN SCHOOL

Please can I remind you that there is a sickness bug going round. If your child is sick, please ensure that your child is kept off school for 48 hours from the final bout of sickness and/or diarrhoea.

## LIBRARY

Don't forget the library is open on Wednesdays each week for children.

We are also hoping to open after school on a few dates for some parent and child sessions. Watch this space.

Due to limited funds, any lost book will be charged for.

## SCHOOL MEALS

Don't forget, every Friday is now Pizza Friday!

## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

If you would like to access before or after school care from Kidz Day Nursery, you need to fill in registration form which can be found on each school's website or by emailing [info@kidzdaynurserymiddleham.co.uk](mailto:info@kidzdaynurserymiddleham.co.uk)

**WEEKLY LESSONS**

TUESDAYS AT SPENNITHORNE  
9.15pm - 7.15pm  
7.30pm - 8.30pm

THURSDAYS AT LEYBURN METHODIST HALL  
6pm - 7pm



## ZUMBA AT SPENNITHORNE SCHOOL

ZUMBA IS BACK after the half term break, but in order to ensure your place in the popular 7.30-8.30pm, slot you need to book. Please text Cath, 07762 744736, with your name and confirmation of your attendance from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. It is on a first come, first served basis and there are limited places available. There is also the earlier class available too, from 6.15-7.15 but booking is not required for that session.

## HOLIDAY REQUEST



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As a school, we are required to encourage good attendance from all pupils. It is very easy for days off to mount up. Therefore, if you are requesting leave in an exceptional circumstance, leave will only be authorised if your request hits both the criteria on the form and that your child's attendance is above 95%.

## SHELVING UNIT

Spennithorne School has an oak coloured shelving unit they no longer require. It is in good condition with 4 to 5 movable shelves and approximately 1.8 metres in height. Available to a good home for a donation. Please contact Spennithorne if you are interested or to view the item.

## MIDDLEHAM NEWS

### BEETLE DRIVE

Thank you to all those who attended. We raised a massive £200!

### TUCK SHOP

Don't forget that tuck shop is open every Friday.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents Evening 3.30-7pm	Letter has gone home
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Class 1 Victorians day	Letter has gone home
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Swing Dance Day	More details to follow
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu Vaccine R-Y5	<b>PLEASE CONSENT ONLINE</b>
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes	Half Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	School CLOSED	Staff training day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	School opens	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Bonfire Lunch	Menu sent home
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Trekkers	
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Bags2School collection	Bags sent home
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5/6 High 5 Netball	More details to follow
12-16 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need Day	More details to follow
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	FOMS Meeting	6pm in school
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Trekkers	
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	FOMS Meeting	6pm in school
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Y1/2 Skipping	More details to follow
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Trekkers (last one)	
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Play	More details to follow
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumpers	Menu to follow
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Carols for Racing Welfare	More details to follow
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties	More details to follow
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Panto	More details to follow
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Carol Service	More details to follow
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	End of Term	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff training day	



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Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens	
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## Proposed School Admission Arrangements 2020/2021

In accordance with our statutory duty under The School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and co-ordination of Admission Arrangements)(England) Regulation 2012. North Yorkshire County Council is consulting on proposed school admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools 2020/2021.

The consultation opens on 15 October 2018 and closes on 7 December 2018. You may view this at [www.northyorks.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/consultations)

If you wish to respond please email [Nicola.howells@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Nicola.howells@northyorks.gov.uk) bearing in mind that this consultation ends on 7 December 2018.

### Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Trust Schools and Academies

The determination of admission arrangements for Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Trust Schools and Academies is a matter for the schools' governing bodies as the admission authority for the school. Any comments relating to a Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Trust School, Academy, UTC or Free Schools should be addressed directly to the school in question.