



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

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

AVAILABILITY

Next week, school is closed for the half term holiday. Monday 5th November is a school training day and reopens on Tuesday 6th November.

I will be in Middleham on Wednesday and Thursday and Spennithorne on Tuesday and Friday.

KS2 FOOTBALL

Unfortunately, the Wensleydale cluster was unable to find a suitable date for us all to play our cluster event so we had no school to go through to the next round from Wensleydale. I offered to take a mixed team from both of our schools as I knew that would enjoy it. Mrs Pearson kindly accompanied the children with the help of Mrs Tyrala.

We only went and won the tournament (after a mix up with the scores when we were first announced as coming in at 3rd place) beating schools much larger than ours.

We go to the level 3 final in January.

KS2 CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday, our KS2 pupils excelled themselves in the cluster cross country at whatever position they finished. They definitely showed resilience. It made me very proud. However, the proudest moment for me was watching the children cheering each other on, demonstrating what is special about our two schools.

Well done to all KS2 pupils who took part. Regardless of where each child came in their race, to me, they are winners because they all gave it a go.

AUTUMN DISCO

Thank you to all children and parents who came, helped and supported Spennithorne's Autumn Disco. Everyone had a great night.

GREAT BRITISH BAKE OFF

The Great British Bake Off is looking for the UK's best home bakers to enter the tent. Who is the best baker you know? Visit: www.applyforbakeoff.co.uk. If you would like any more information or help in applying, please do get in touch on text 07940 464 720

GOLDEN DAY

Keep an eye out for our recycling art which will be going up in school in the next few weeks. Today, we have also enjoyed learning how to swing dance. Maybe we will see the children strutting their stuff at next year's Leyburn 1940's weekend!

Y5/6 NETBALL TOURNAMENT

On the first Friday back, 9th November, our Year 5/6 pupils from both schools will be heading to Askrigg to compete in a cluster netball tournament. Year 3/4 from both schools will be taught as a group at Spennithorne school for the morning. Please can Year 5/6 come to school in their PE kit and have their school uniform in a bag to change into. The coach is picking up at 8.45am so **please can all children in Class 2 be in school for 8.35am.**

THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE

Oct 26th Friday Film Edie (12A) 1hr 42m 4.30PM & 7.30PM

FILM FESTIVAL - Starting Friday 26th Oct until Sunday 28th Oct

See our website for the full list of Film Festival Films, leyburnartscentre.com



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Theatre:

Nov 3rd - ADOLF Saturday 7.30PM £11 / u18's £9 Written and performed by Pip Utton

The 20th century's most notorious tyrant is daringly and decisively brought to the stage in one of the most successful and powerful solo works ever presented. There is a sting in the play's tail, a reminder at Remembrance time of why wars are fought and need to be won.

Art Exhibition: Wieslaw Kiselowski until Dec 2nd - Mon - Fri 10AM - 5PM *

A selection of work demonstrating the Wensley artist's range of techniques

*NB Due to prebooked room hire access to the exhibition may be limited - please tel 01969 624510

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The deadline for applying for a place for 2019 is 31 October 2018. This deadline is during half term. Please note, we have received a call from admissions and several children have yet to submit an application.

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

HOLIDAY REQUEST

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%.

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 5 th November	School CLOSED	Staff training day
Tuesday 6 th November	School opens	
Tuesday 6 th November	Bonfire Lunch	Menu sent home
Tuesday 6 th November	Trekkers	
Friday 9 th November	Bags2School collection	Bags sent home
Friday 9 th November	Y5/6 High 5 Netball	Letter has gone home
12-16 th November	Anti-Bullying Week	
Friday 16 th November	Children In Need Day	More details to follow
Monday 19 th November	FOMS Meeting	6pm in school
Tuesday 20 th November	Trekkers	



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Thursday 22 nd November	FOMS Meeting	6pm in school
Friday 30 th November	Y1/2 Skipping	More details to follow
Tuesday 4 th December	Trekkers (last one)	
Monday 10 th December	Christmas Play	More details to follow
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumpers	Menu to follow
Friday 14 th December	Carols for Racing Welfare	More details to follow
Wednesday 19 th December	Christmas Parties	More details to follow
Thursday 20 th December	Panto	More details to follow
Friday 22 nd December	Carol Service	More details to follow
Friday 22 nd December	End of Term	
Monday 7 th January	Staff training day	
Tuesday 8 th January	School opens	