



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

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Dear Parent, Carers and Friends

AVAILABILITY

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

RICHMOND SCHOOL

If you are interested, Richmond School is hosting an open evening for prospective parents on Tuesday 26th September at 7pm.

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%.

HOLIDAY CLUB

The holiday sports club has now been confirmed.

Next week, a flyer will be coming out for you to hopefully sign up and take advantage of this extremely reasonable child care. This holiday club is going to be run during the October half term from Mon 23rd to Friday 27th October. This sports club will cost only £3.50 a day which is an absolute bargain for a day's child care. The offer will be open to Spennithorne and Middleham schools as first priority and also Leyburn.

HARVEST

Our joint harvest festival will take place on Friday 6th October at East Witton Church at 9.30am.

Could we please ask you to bring an item of in date food which each child can place at the altar as our Harvest donation. We can then donate these offerings to Storehouse, the foodbank in Richmond.

TAG RUGBY

Good luck to both schools attending the Wensleydale Cluster Tag Rugby fun event on Tuesday. You are welcome to come and spectate. The event starts at 9.30 and our children will be playing on pitch 2 and pitch 4.

Y5/6 GIRLS AND BOYS FOOTBALL

Next Friday, we are going to be sending a joint Spennithorne and Middleham team to Leyburn School for the annual football cluster festival. At least, this one will be easier to cheer on for me!

PARENT VIEW

If you would like to share your views about our school with OFSTED, please use the following website:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>



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SPENNITHORNE NEWS

EXTREME READING

Next week, I will be working with our new librarians, training them on the computer system and we hope we can then open up the library, during one lunchtime, for children to enjoy our books.

To brighten up our library, we would love for you to take a picture of yourself reading in an extreme or strange place. Maybe it's on the football field or whilst helping mum or dad on the farm or maybe reading with your dog!!!

I would love to open this challenge up to all of our children and you can email your picture to school (admin@spennithorne.n-yorks.sch.uk). You have until the end of the half term (30th October) so you have loads of time to think of some weird and wonderful places to take your picture!

UNIFORM

Uniform is now available from both Tesco and now School Trends, in response to your requests. All uniform can be ordered online from either supplier.

<https://www.schooltrendsonline.com/uniform/SpennithorneCEPrimarySchoolIDL85PR>

www.tesco.com/ues.

Both have hoodies on offer which I think are great for PE. A few children have them and they look amazing.

SEND REVIEW

NYCC are currently in the process of reviewing its SEND provision (Special Educational Needs and Disability) and invite parents who would like to be involved in this review.

Please follow this link to register your interest.

<https://consult.northyorks.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=150530072978>

BAGS 2 SCHOOL

The next collection is Tuesday 14th November. Bags can be dropped off either at school or direct to Mrs. Dawn Fuller at 5 Beckwood, Spennithorne – the house next door to the school.

WRITER OF THE WEEK

This week's, the following writers have been recognised:

Foxes: - Ellie B. for writing a beautiful harvest poem.

Rabbits: - Evie H. for writing a fantastic set of instructions.

MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK

This week, the following mathematicians have been recognised:

Foxes: - Jack V. for counting forwards and backwards in steps of 1,000 and 100,000.

Rabbits: - Daisy C. for practising her numbers and writing them neatly.



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NORTHERN ECHO

The Northern Echo on sale on Tuesday 3rd October 2017 will be including a 16 page supplement featuring all the new starting pupils in all the local schools. It will include a photo of all Spennithorne School's lovely new young school starters for 2017.

CHURCH AND VILLAGE NEWS

The library is open at Spennithorne Church on the following days: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month 10.00/12 noon

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tag rugby for KS2 – 26th September
Y5/6 football – 29th September
Harvest 6th October 2017 9.30am
Parents' evening 16th and 18th October
Half term 23rd-27th October
Simon Carson Holiday club 23rd-27th October
Bags2School 14th November
Children in Need 17th November
Y1/2 skipping cluster event – 30th November
EYFS-Y4 flu vaccinations – 8th December
Christmas Play -11th and 12th December
Christmas lunch -19th December
Christmas party – 21st December
Carol service – 22nd December
End of term – 22nd December