



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 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Tuesday afternoon and in Spennithorne on Tuesday morning and Friday.

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

A holiday club is going to be run during the October half term at Spennithorne, linked to a successful funding application made by Spennithorne and its previous collaboration partner. The club will run 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. Details will be sent out in the next few weeks but we hope it will be a successful event with greater notice given.

THEMED SCHOOL DINNERS

Our school dinners are nutritionally balanced with locally sourced products and cooked on site. The children and staff do enjoy them. To celebrate this, we are going to be hosting special dinners where we change the menu slightly but also open our lunch times up to our parents and grandparents.

Details of lunches for individual school will follow nearer the time

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/>

HARVEST

Our joint Harvest Festival will take place on Friday 6th October at East Witton Church at 9.30am. We ask that each child brings an item of in date food which the child can place at the altar as our Harvest donation. We can then donate these offerings to Storehouse, the foodbank in Richmond.

FIRE BRIGADE

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service are looking for retained (on-call) firefighters to serve the town of Leyburn and surrounding areas.

The fire station is situated just off Richmond Road and is crewed by retained (on-call) firefighters who live and or work within the area.



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A Retained (on-call) Firefighter is a person over the age of 18, who provides fire and emergency cover within their local community. They attend the same type of incidents and training as a full time Firefighter, but work on a retaining fee On-Call basis with pay enhancements for differing activities attended.

If you are interested in becoming a Retained (on-call) Firefighter and would like some further information then please visit our website at www.northyorkshire.gov.uk or telephone 01609 780150.

COMMUNITY MUSIC GROUP



New classes from 2pm on Fridays at Leyburn Methodist Church

I am very pleased to be able to bring our fun and lively music education programmes for babies, toddlers and pre school children to Leyburn, commencing Friday 22nd September.

The themed sessions are full of singing, dancing, percussion and musical games (i.e. puppets, bubbles, parachute play and sensory lighting). We will also introduce your little one to a variety of different music types with our listening music each week. Watch your child gain confidence, social skills and have lots of fun at our weekly sessions.

Everyone welcome, and a **FREE TASTER SESSION** is available on production of this leaflet (must be pre-booked, one per customer)

£3.75 per session when booked in a half term block (of between 5 and 7 sessions depending on school term length) or £4 per session (availability permitting)

Other sessions also available in Bedale, Richmond, Northallerton and Darlington.

For more information and to book contact Helen:

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MIDDLEHAM NEWS

TREKKERS

We will be starting up our popular Trekkers club on every other Tuesday starting from 26th September. This club will run on the following dates this term: 26th Sept, 10th Oct, 31st Oct, 14th Nov, 28th Nov and 12th Dec.

Mrs Alderson is also continuing the popular craft club on a Tuesday lunchtime at 12.30pm.

LUNCHTIMES

We were pleased to find out that our sports premium money has this term been increased. This funding is ring fenced and it is very clear that investment is needed in playground games. This week, the children sat with me and picked some of the games and toys that they felt would enhance their playtime experience. Watch this space!

UNIFORM

Our children from Year 4 upwards are given a tie to wear to show their age and status. We have noticed that many children aren't wearing them.

We have purchased a new set of ties for our Year 4 pupils but will monitor whether this uniform is being maintained and if it is, we will maintain this tradition.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Don't forget we have the school photographer coming in on Monday morning to take school and individual photos. Parents are welcome to bring younger children into school from 8.35am to have their picture taken with their sibling.

DIARY DATES

Please see the attached sheet of dates for your diary.