

Middleforth Church of England Primary School



'Let your light shine!'

Our Christian Value this half term is forgiveness

Friday 22nd March 2019

Thank you so much to everyone who came along and supported our toy and book sale this week. Our school council will be announcing how much they raised at this event, next week. What great enterprise this group are showing at the moment. Their next planned event is the Easter Tea Party, on Thursday 4th April from 1.30pm, please come along and support them.

Thank you to everyone who donated Easter Eggs today towards our Easter Bingo night. We will happily accept any further donations in school next week!

We look forward to seeing you at Parent/Teacher meetings next week. Teachers will be giving out attendance letters to all parents on the night so that you can see your child's current attendance figures.

Our Mother's Day lunches next week are always a lovely event in school, the children love it and we look forwarding to welcoming you all again this year.

Have a great weekend Mrs Adams

Nursery	David
Reception	Jorja-Lily & Andreas
Year 1	Keegan & Isaac
Year 2	Alfie & Riley
Year 3	Jasper & Jessica
Year 4	Archie M & Hannah
Year 5	Angel & Finlay
Year 6	Kayleigh & Connor

Our stars of the week this week 22nd March are;

KS2 Merit Badge Winners

Star of	
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Class	Red – Ruby	Blue – Sapphire	Green - Emerald	Yellow – Amber
Y3	Sian	Freya	Thomas	Ruby M
Y4	Lily	Willow	Daisy	Archie P
Y5	Charlie Gw	Owen	Emerson	Morris
Y6	Charlie	Chloe	Anya	Kayleigh & Connor

Booking & Payment Reminders – Thank you 😊

A HUGE thank you to all our parents for their patience, co-operation understanding whilst the office has been short-handed. It is a great help when school meals (ParentPay) and before/after school (Scopay) bookings are kept up to date, particularly after a weekend or half-term break. It is extremely helpful to us if you continue to monitor your accounts and keep bookings and payments up to date. Thank you ©

Staff Car Park

Can we please again remind parents that the staff car park should only be used by parents up to 8.30am and after 4pm. If you are using the staff car park in these times please only use the designated car parking spaces and DO NOT park along the fences at any time. If there is not a space in the designated spaces please go back onto the road and park your car there. Teaching staff need to be able to load and unload heavy bags of books and resources each day and also get out of school in an emergency and this is getting increasingly difficult.

The disabled spaces at the front of school should not be used by any parents unless there is a specific need which has been identified to school.

<u>After School Club – 07988 924426</u>

If you need to contact after school club staff we now have a mobile number that you can use. The phone will only be switched on between the hours of 3pm and 5.45pm This is for emergency use only and will be a great help to parents who may be running late at the end of the day. It is easier for staff if you send a text message and only call them if it is urgent. *This number is not to be used for general office enquires or to make bookings*, this should be done in the usual way.

Mother's Day Lunches – 26th/27th/28th March

Thank you for all the orders and payments that we have received for our Mother's Day lunches. If you haven't yet paid for your lunch, this can be done online via scopay or by cash/cheque at the school office, adult meals £2.76 and child meals for siblings £2.30. Meals for children in school need to be ordered and paid for in the usual way using Parentpay.

If you are joining us for lunch next week and are a parent of a child in the nursery or infant classes, please arrive at school for 11.45am. If you are having lunch with your child and they are in KS2 with no younger siblings, please arrive at school for 12.10pm. This is always a lovely event for our families and we look forward to welcoming you all again this year.

Special Lunches



After half term and leading up to the Easter break there are a few themed lunches that the children might like to join in with. These should be booked on Parentpay in the usual way. **Please be aware that if you have already made lunches choices for these special days, the new choice will have overridden it and you will need to re-book those days**.

Tues 26 th March Weds 27 th March Thurs 28 th March		<i>Mother's Day Lunches</i> (please use paper order forms)	
	Roast Turkey or Q	uorn Fillet with all the trimmings	
	Or		
Thursday 4 th April	Jacket Potato		
Easter Lunch	Or		CT+RATE
	Cheese Panini		
	Easter Nest or Fru	it & Yoghurt	BELLEVILLE AND STREET

School Council Events

Thursday 4th April – Easter Themed Day! Bake Off & Afternoon Tea

Traditionally we have an Easter Bake off organised by the School council, with a small charge of £1 to enter. The best cake will win a prize! It will be judged by the School Council, Mr Noblet and Mr Swindells

This year we thought it would be a great idea to host a tea party during the afternoon for our families and friends, where we will be selling the cakes from the Bake Off competition. There will be a charge of £1 admission during the afternoon, again all proceeds are to raise funds for our school council. We are expecting this to be well attended so any extra donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated.

Book Fair – 25th to 29th March

The book fair has arrived in school today and will be held in school from the 25th to 29th March 2019. Books will be on sale every afternoon from 3:15pm - 3:30pm and sales will be on a <u>cash only basis</u>. Our last book fair raised over £160 for school to spend on books, this is incredibly helpful as one class pack of books consisting of 36 books can cost school over £150! So any little bit that we can raise helps update and supplement our reading books in school.

Easter Bingo! – Non-uniform Day Friday 29th March



Our Easter Bingo event will be held in the school hall on Friday 29th March 6pm-7.30pm, there is a charge of £3.00 per person, which includes entry to all the games on the night. Space is limited so please send your money into the office in a named and sealed envelope. We are going to have raffles of chocolate and an adults only bottle raffle We are having a further non-uniform day next Friday 29th March in exchange for donations of 'bottles'. Alcoholic donations cannot come into school with the children, so therefore

must be left with the school office. If you have already generously donated an egg, please do not feel obliged to make a further donation, however anything at all will be gratefully appreciated, including small individual bottles as we will be grouping the contributions together to make large prizes. Raffle tickets for the prizes will be available in school from Wednesday if you are not able to attend the event. Thank you.

Bags 2 School - Monday 1st April

Bags have now been sent home. Please return your bag on the morning of 1st April by 9am. Unfortunately, we do not have space to store them so we can only accept the bags on that day. If it's not raining, please place the bags against the wall outside the office in the marked off area. If one bag is not enough, please place extra donations in black plastic bags. Many Thanks, Mrs van Zyl.

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

We DO NOT accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off-cuts, yarns or threaded material

BIG Battery Hunt

Battery boxes have now been sent home. PLEASE help us with this campaign. Every year over 20 000 tonnes of batteries end up in landfill sites! Please note we can only accept the following batteries:

Please could we ask that any batteries which have two terminals be covered with a piece of sticky tape.

This year we will be entering the **BIG** battery hunt competition. This initiative helps encourage young people in schools across the UK to think about the importance of recycling, and then challenges them to collect as many used batteries as they can. The aim is for each pupil to contribute to an overall total. So as soon as they arrive, each child will receive their own recycling battery box which they can fill and bring into school. Not only will we be helping promote the importance of recycling, this is a competition and as a school we stand to win one of these wonderful prizes:

- A 2-night class trip to the sustainability centre
- A 3-year subscription to MyMaths worth £1,000
- £2000 worth of school equipment vouchers
- iPads

All battery boxes to please be returned to school by the 1 June. Happy recycling! Mrs van Zyl.

Dates for your Diary 2018 – 2019

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Monday 25 th March – Friday 29 th March	Book Fair – *Cash only Sales Please*
Monday 25 th March 1.30-3.30pm	Parent teacher meetings
Wednesday 27 th March 3.30-6.00pm	
Tuesday 26 th March	
Wednesday 27 th March	Mother's Day Lunches (Order forms have been sent home)
Thursday 28 th March	
Friday 29 th March	Easter Bingo 6pm-7.30pm
Monday 1 st April	Bags to School
	Easter Bake off
Thursday 4 th April	Easter Lunch
	Easter Tea Party 1.30pm-2.30pm, £1 entry
Thursday 9 th May	May Day Calabratiana
Friday 10 th May	May Day Celebrations
Week commencing 13 th May	Key Stage two SATS tests
Monday 17 th – Wednesday 19th June	Y6 Residential Trip to Tower Wood
Tuesday 2 nd July	Sports Day
Friday 5 th & Monday 8 th July	Life Bus in school
Week commencing 8 th July	Healthy bodies, Healthy minds week
Thursday 11 th July morning	Leavers service in school for year 6
Thursday 11 th July evening	Year six prom
Friday 12 th July	Reports out
Thursday 18 th July	End of year church service
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Term Dates 2019	
SPRING TERM 2019	
School closes on	Friday 5th April 2019 at 2.00pm
SUMMER TERM 2019	
Re-open on	Tuesday 23rd April 2019