



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 10th March Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I just want to thank everyone for supporting our PTFA Movie Night this week. With all your support the PTFA raised £500 which can now be used on resources and equipment for all our children. Thank you to everyone who helped make the event a huge success. Our PTFA would really like to run more events throughout the year, but still need more members to make sure these events are successful. If you would like to join the PTFA then please let the office know.

Year 5 have had a fantastic afternoon at forest school and thoroughly enjoyed their hot chocolate too. Year 4 have continued their GULP session with PNE this afternoon and they are enjoying learning about healthy lifestyle choices.

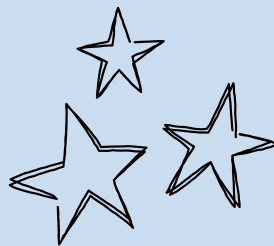
I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Monday.

Mrs Pilkington

Stars of the Week

Nursery - Nathan
 Rec - Beatrix & Orson
 Y1 - Darcey W & Olivia W
 Y2 - Emma & Max
 Y3 - Evelyn & William
 Y4 - Parker & Andreas
 Y5 - Emanuil & Ethan
 Y6 - Lola & Isla P

WELL DONE



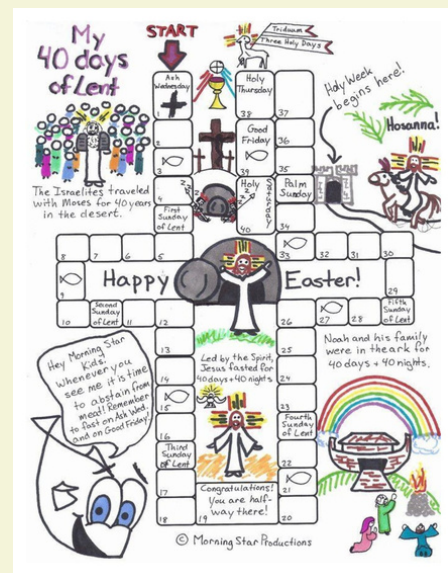
Target 96%

Reception	94.7%
Year 1	88.3%
Year 2	97.1%
Year 3	94.6%
Year 4	99.3%
Year 5	98.3%
Year 6	98.3%
Total	95.7%

Collective Worship

As our value this half term is: Justice

This week we talked about what seeing God's love in action and looked at the Bible story from Matthew of harvest time in the vineyard. We all spoke about how we cannot always see God's love around us but we know its there.



TAKEHOME



In the news this week

Should Roald Dahl's books be changed for modern times?



Book publisher, Puffin, has announced that stories by the famous children's author Roald Dahl are going to be changed, making them more suitable for modern times. Roald Dahl is famous for his books, including Matilda, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, and The BFG. The changes include taking out unkind descriptions of characters' appearance such as 'fat' and 'ugly'. Some people disagree with the changes, including the UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak and the Queen Consort, Camilla.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you read any Roald Dahl books? Has anyone else at home? Share your thoughts about the changes. Do you think the stories should be updated?
- > Ask someone older what their favourite books were when they were younger. Are they still being read by children today? Why do you think that is the case?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Sat Mar 11thth
Women of the Bible
10am-12noon
Craft, Mess, Play, Worship
Eat & Drink
All are welcome



Subject Focus - Maths



This half term in Maths KS2 children have worked extremely hard on fractions and decimals. In year 3 they have placed fractions on a numberline. In year 4 they have converted improper fractions to proper fractions and found equivalent fractions. In year 5 they have learnt how to multiply fractions. Year 2 have been multiplying and dividing numbers and solving challenging problems. Year 1 are working really hard to recognise numbers to 50.

School Parliament

This morning, members of the KS2 Parliament went to Kingsfold Community Centre. Mr Young, one of our Governors and adults from the local community volunteer every Friday morning, as there is a food bank at the Community Centre for local residents. All the children asked sensible questions and represented the school exceptionally well. The children helped to pack food bags and label and date food items. We will share what we have learnt with all the children and look at ways our school can support the local community throughout the year.



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - MATTHEW 5:16

Mindful March 2023

MONDAY



6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today
dayofhappiness.net

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

TUESDAY



7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

WEDNESDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

THURSDAY

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

FRIDAY

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life

SATURDAY

4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

SUNDAY

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

School term and holiday patterns

Spring term 2023

School closes on Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023 Re-open on Monday 17th April 2023

May Day & Coronation Day, Monday 1st and 8th May 2023

School closes on Friday 26th May 2023

Mid-term closure Monday 29th May – Wednesday 7th June 2023

School re-opens on Thursday 8th June 2023

School closes on Friday 21st July 2023

Autumn Term 2023 Re-open Monday 4th September 2023

Mid-term closure Monday 23rd October - Tuesday 31st October 2023

School re-opens on Wednesday 1st November 2023

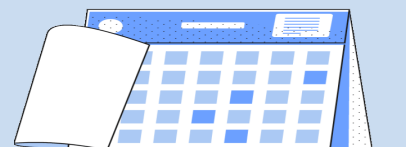
School closes on Friday 22nd December 2023

Spring Term 2024 Re-open on Monday 8th January 2024

Mid-term closure Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024

School re-opens on Monday 19th February 2024

School closes on Thursday 28th March 2024



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