



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 31st March Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of yet another busy term and what a term it has been. The children have been amazing and take everything in their stride.

Our swimming pool will be being built and prepared over the Easter holidays to ensure it is ready for the first day back. Year 2 will be the lucky first class to access it. Please ensure you thoroughly read the swimming letter which went out earlier this week with the days of the week on and what clothing the children will need.

Finally, I want to wish you all a happy Easter with your families and friends. I hope you manage a peaceful and joyful break and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 17th April.

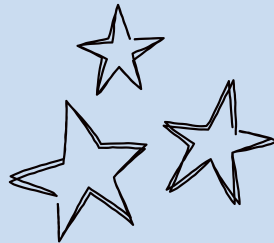
Thank you,

Mrs Pilkington

Stars of the Week

Nursery - Ocean
Rec - Eliza & Annabelle
Y1 - Paige & Felix
Y2 - Sean & Sophia
Y3 - Freddie & Jimmy
Y4 - Charlotte & Jacob R
Y5 - James & Riley
Y6 - Harry & Natalie

WELL DONE



Target 96%

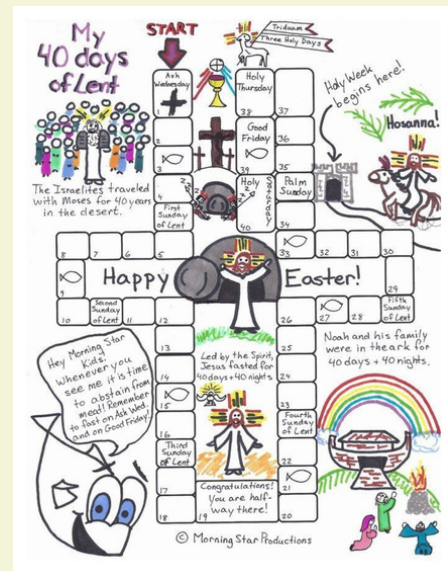
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| Reception | 92.7% |
| Year 1 | 93.3% |
| Year 2 | 96.8% |
| Year 3 | 91.3% |
| Year 4 | 96.9% |
| Year 5 | 95.7% |
| Year 6 | 95.7% |
| Total | 94.5% |

Collective Worship

As our value this half term is: Justice

This week we talked about 'Goodness being greater than evil'

As we look towards the last week of term and our Easter holidays we have looked at the Easter story. Our 3 C's delivered an amazing and interactive end of term service at Church yesterday. Well done everyone!





Sat April 8th

Easter Activities

10am-12noon

Craft, Mess, Play, Worship

Eat & Drink

All are welcome



Key Dates

Thursday 30th March - End of term Church service at 1pm at St Leonards.

Friday 31st March - Non-Uniform, Bring a bottle for the spring fair.

Friday 31st March - School closes at 2pm. (No after school club)

Monday 17th April - School reopens after the Easter break.

Monday 24th April - Parents Forum at 3:15

Friday 28th April - Spring Fair (TBC)

W/C 8th May - Key Stage 2 SATS week.

Subject Focus - History



Year 3 have loved learning about the Pre-history. They have looked at the stone age, the bronze age and the iron age and how life changed. Year 5 have been studying crime and punishment across different centuries. they have also debated which punishments were effective and just.

Staffing Update

We have more exciting news. Mrs Parker, who was on a temporary contract for 12 months has now been made permanent as of September 2023.

We have also been advertising for permanent Deputy Head Teacher as Mrs Rushton was on a 12 months secondment with us from her substantive school. We have now been through the interview process and Mrs Alton will be our non-teaching Deputy Headteacher and SENCO from September 2023. We are in the process now of recruiting a permanent teacher and will update you further when we know more.



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 at 2.00pm

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 at 2.00pm

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 at 2.00pm

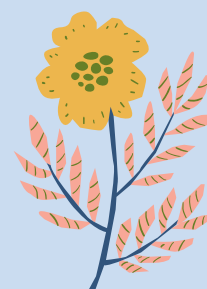
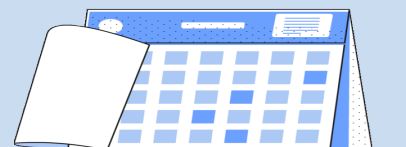
Spring Term 2024

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 at 2.00pm



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - MATTHEW 5:16