



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 5th May Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic week we have had in school this week. The children have been amazing with the dancing at both May Day celebrations, well done everyone. A well done also, to all the adults who were brave enough to join in and have a go too.

This week marks the end of the swimming pool timetable too, I am sure you will agree that it has been a huge success and the children have loved every minute of it. We are planning to run it again next year, but hopefully for another week or so, budget depending. We will keep you updated.

Next week is SATS weeks for our Year 6 children, and I am sure you will join us in wishing them all the best as they let their light shine.

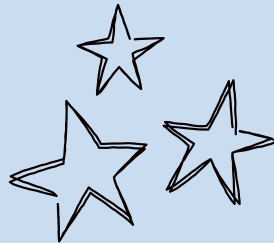
Have a lovely weekend everyone,

Mrs Pilkington

★ **Stars of the Week** ★

Nursery - Sarim
Rec - Jack & Alana
Y1 - Oliver & Listy
Y2 - Whole Class
Y3 - Evelyn & Thomas
Y4 - Phoebe & Scarlett
Y5 - Zach & Charlotte
Y6 - James A & Ewan

WELL DONE



Target 96%	
Reception	98.3%
Year 1	90.0%
Year 2	95.7%
Year 3	96.6%
Year 4	98.9%
Year 5	98.6%
Year 6	95.8%
Total	96.0%

Collective Worship

As our value this half term is: Service

This week we are talking about 'Giving with no strings attached' and what this means to us. We set ourselves the challenge of helping our friends and family at home without expecting anything in return.

Service with a smile - Complete a 'service snail'.

Living a life of service is about keeping your eyes open and looking out for ways to make others smile.

Draw a large smiley snail. Can you fill in the spirals on the snail's shell with ways in which as a family you serve each other in one week? When the snail shell is full take it to school to display in the Challenge Gallery.



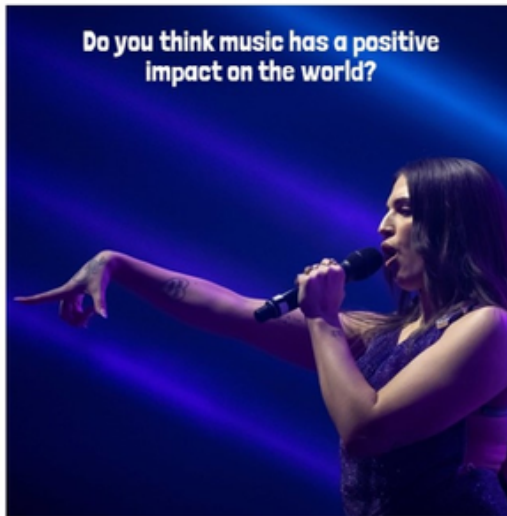
TAKEHOME

In the news this week

For the first time since 1998, the United Kingdom will play host to the Eurovision Song Contest and will do so on behalf of last year's winners, Ukraine, who are unable to host, due to the ongoing war. This year marks the 67th edition of the competition and 37 countries have chosen to compete for the famous, life-changing trophy. The city of Liverpool will be hosting this year's event and it's thought that more than 160 million people will be watching!

Things to talk about at home ...

- Have you watched any Eurovision Song Contests before? Will you be watching it this year?
- What types of music do you enjoy listening to? When do you like to listen to music?
- Can you play an instrument or is it something you would like to do in the future?



Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Key Dates

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

Subject Focus - English

We have had a fantastic few weeks of Summer term starting our new books for shared reading. Year 5 are highly engaged in 'The boy at the back of the class' a book about a young refugee told with heart and humour. Year 3 have begun 'How to train your dragon' and pupils are very excited for each session! Also, Year 1 are enjoying 'The tear thief' - a very fun and exciting book!



Spring Fair

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, attended and donated towards our Spring Fair last week. It was a huge success and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves and winning lots of prizes. A huge thank you to our PTFA for organising and supporting the school in this event. If you are interested in becoming part of the PTFA then please let the office know and someone will be in touch.



Meaningful May 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Do something kind for someone you really care about	2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do	3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small	4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together	5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why	6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful	7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why
8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today	9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today	10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times	11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder	12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you	13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture	14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature
15 Do something to contribute to your local community	16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better	17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful	18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about	19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful	20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable	21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger
22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about	23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of	24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today	25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why	26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful	27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others	28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight
29 Today do something to care for the natural world	30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost	31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future				

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

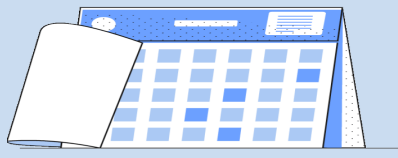
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School term and holiday patterns

Summer Term 2023

Coronation Day, Monday 8th May 2023
 School closes on Friday 26th May 2023

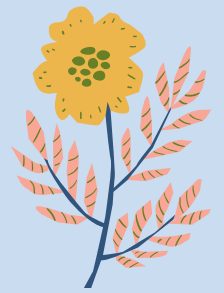


Mid-term closure Monday 29th May – Wednesday 7th June 2023
 School re-opens on Thursday 8th June 2023
 School closes on Friday 21st July 2023 at 2.00pm

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