



# Middleforth Church of England Primary School

## Friday 7th June Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, what a busy first week back, I cannot believe we are now in the final half term of the academic year. The children have come back to school with a great attitude to their learning and it's been lovely to see such wonderful learning taking place throughout school this week. Reception have been looking at odd and even numbers and learning how to share and which number can and cannot be shared. Year 4 had a mysterious visitor to their classroom and they left what looked like paw prints all over the classroom, I cannot wait to find out more. Every class has also had Sophie from The Life Education Bus delivering aspects of our PSHE curriculum, so be sure to ask your children all about it. Yesterday, Minis and Reception went on their school trip to The Wild Boar Park and had an amazing day and they were all incredible, well done everyone.

As we continue through the term there will be lots of exciting things happening across school, so be sure to keep checking the calendar on Class Dojo.

Mrs Pilkington

### Good Luck to Mrs Gordon and her family!!

Today marks the last day in Year 3 for Mrs Gordon before she commences her Maternity leave.

I'm sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs Gordon and her family all the best as they prepare to welcome a new baby into their family. Mrs Gordon has promised to keep us all updated on her new arrival as I know Year 3 are very excited.



### Target 96%

Reception	93.3%
Year 1	96.6%
Year 2	88.4%
Year 3	92.9%
Year 4	95.0%
Year 5	96.0%
Year 6	93.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>93.7%</b>

### School Day

Earlier in the year we consulted with parents regarding the length of the school day as per DfE guidance to make sure every school has a minimum school week of 32.5 hours. To ensure we meet this from September the school day will **start at 8:50am**. This is when the register will be taken in class and the school gates will have closed a few minutes before to ensure children are on time.

**The school day will end at 3:20pm**. This means each day has increased by 10 minutes.



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# TAKEHOME



## In the news this week

Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak, has announced that a UK general election is to take place on 4<sup>th</sup> July. He made the announcement in a press conference outside 10 Downing Street. Parliament was dissolved on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May, and the members of Parliament have returned to being members of the public. Many are campaigning to be re-elected. A general election is when people over 18 can vote for who they want to represent them in the UK parliament. It could mean a new government party and new leader for the UK this summer.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > What do you know about general elections? Ask someone older at home to recall previous elections.
- > Many people have come forward to say they'd like to see changes with how the country is run. Can you think of a positive change the government could make?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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### Key Dates

Please ensure you check Class Dojo - Calendar for all up coming events in school.

**WC 10th June** - Year 1 and 2 Phonics check and Year 4 Multiplication check.

**Tuesday 11th June** - Year 5 and 6 Cricket competition.

**Friday 14th June** - Bog-Eyed Jog (whole school fundraiser)



### Key Dates

**Thursday 20th June** - Whole School Drumming Day and Year 5 and 6 Netball competition.

**Friday 21st June** - Sports Day

**Tuesday 25th June** - Year 2 trip to Fairhaven Lake

**Tuesday 25th June** - New Reception starter afternoon.

**Wednesday 26th June** - Hutton Year 5 taster.

**Wednesday 26th June** - Dance from the heart (whole school)

### Walk and Talk

Walk and Talk is about inspiring families to go outside and communicate with each other. Talking to young children during everyday activities can help them learn communication skills such as; listening, attention, turn taking in a conversation, learning new words.

Being outside is good for their wellbeing as well as your own and in Lancashire we have lots of beautiful places to walk and talk. <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/early-years-childcare-and-family-support/walk-and-talk/>





# Thank you!



## OPAL Sand Pit

This week our children have thoroughly enjoyed using our new giant sand pit on our school grounds. This project had taken a while to get off the ground as we have needed specialist equipment to move the sand and specialist people to operate the equipment.

A HUGE thank you to Dave (parent) from **Dave Dean Construction Limited** who organised and paid for a digger to help move all the sand and Mr Hardman (Mrs Hardman's husband) and Mr Trice for coming into school at the weekend to move everything and get it ready. We literally couldn't have done it without you all.



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# Joyful June 2024

MONDAY



3 Re-frame a worry and try to find a helpful way to think about it

TUESDAY



4 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

WEDNESDAY



5 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down

THURSDAY



6 Get out into green space and feel the joy that nature brings

FRIDAY



7 Do something healthy which makes you feel good

SATURDAY

1 Decide to look for what's good every day this month

SUNDAY

2 Say positive things in your conversations with others

10 Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them

11 Eat good food that makes you happy and really savour it

12 Write a gratitude letter to thank someone

13 Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side

14 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you

15 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

16 Speak to others in a warm and friendly way

17 Take time to notice things that you find beautiful

18 Look for something good in a difficult situation

19 Get outside and find the joy in being active

20 Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity

21 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement

22 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh

23 Create a playlist of uplifting songs to listen to



24 Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for

25 Show your appreciation to people who are helping others

26 Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it

27 Be kind to you. Do something that brings you joy

28 Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people

29 Share a friendly smile with people you see today

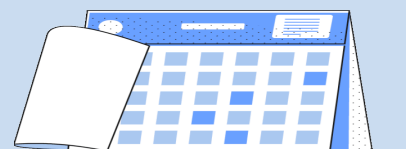
30 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)

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## School term and holiday patterns



### Summer Term 2024

School closes on Friday 19th July 2024 at 2pm

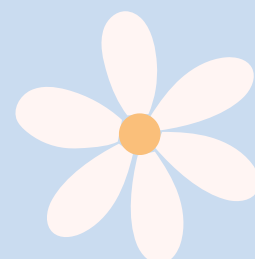
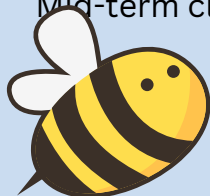
### 2024-2025

#### Autumn Term

School re-opens Tuesday 3rd September 2024  
 Mid-term closure Monday 21st October - Monday 28th October 2024  
 School re-opens Tuesday 29th October 2024  
 School Closes Friday 20th December 2024 at 2pm

#### Spring Term

School re-opens Monday 6th January 2025  
 Mid-term closure Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025



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