



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 11th October Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

What another busy and fun filled week we have all had at Middleforth. On Thursday, Year 4 went on their trip to Abbeystead Estate and had a wonderful time exploring the outdoors. They were a credit to themselves and school. We also had our 'Hello Yellow' day on Thursday to raise awareness about the importance of talking and looking after our mental health and keeping happy and healthy minds. As a school this is always one of our priorities and is embedded within our curriculum. As a special treat on Thursday we all had hot chocolate and a biscuit in the afternoon and had some time to chat. Just a little reminder, there wont be a celebration assembly next Friday, it will be parents exhibition morning where you can come into school and your children can teach you some of the things they have been learning this half term. More information is available on Dojo. We look forward to seeing everyone there. Have a lovely weekend everyone.

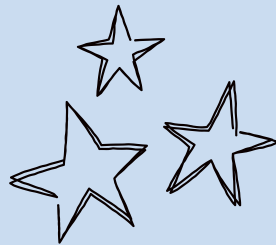
Mrs Pilkington.

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Stars of the Week


Nursery - Ollie
 Rec - Joshua & Ella-Mae
 Y1 - Myles & Henry
 Y2 - Clara & Theodore
 Y3 - Theo & Darcy H
 Y4 - Yash & Jasmyrn
 Y5 - Theo & Amber
 Y6 - Diyan & Riley

WELL DONE



Target 96%	
Reception	95.2%
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	96.9%
Year 3	95.0%
Year 4	99.7%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	97.4%
Total	97.0%

Collective Worship Half Termly Theme - Respect



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Who do you respect?

Draw or paint a picture of your chosen person and make a frame to surround it. On the reverse give 5 reasons why this person is worthy of special **respect**. The picture can then be hung in the school Challenge Gallery.

I would like to see your pictures, you send a picture through on dojo or bring in a copy. They can go up on our worship wall or in my office.



TAKEHOME

7th - 13th October



How important are human interactions?



In the news this week

E-commerce company, Amazon, has told all staff they need to return to the office five days a week next year, ending the option to work from home. In a message to all workers, Chief Executive Andy Jassy said the company expected everyone to be in the office full time (apart from some exceptions) from 2nd January, 2025. Amazon's new policy is very different from the UK government's approach, which is to make flexible working a right for employees, as promised in a new law proposal, due to be announced later this year.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you believe Amazon's decision is fair? Talk to someone at home, do they agree?
- > Do you think you might prefer working from home, or from a workplace with others? Why?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Attendance

Changes in the law have now come into effect regarding school attendance. Parents have a legal duty to ensure their child attends every day, except if your child is too ill to attend school.

More information can be found on our school website. We will also be sending out some further information in due course.

Subject Focus - PSHE

This week Year 4 were thinking all about comfortable and uncomfortable feelings, and the physical effects these can have on our bodies. They also discussed how we can deal with these feelings and emotions. Year 2 have been thinking about friendships and how they can be good friends to each other.

OPAL

If you haven't already, please can make sure that you send into school this week, labelled wellington boots and waterproofs so that OPAL can be accessed at all times. These will also be used to ensure that we can all get outside as the weather turns more autumnal too.

If you have any old wellington boots or waterproofs which no longer fit your children and you are happy to donate them, then please send them into school and Miss Bobb will sort through them.

Thank you all for your continued support.

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - MATTHEW 5:16



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We have funded and paid nursery places available!

Call the office to book a visit and enquire about a place:
01772 746024



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Sat Oct 12th

HARVEST

10am-12noon

Craft, Mess, Play, Worship

Eat & Drink

All are welcome



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Middlefirth Church of England Primary School 2024/2025 Yearly Planner



SEPTEMBER

9th - Fairtrade Fortnight
11th - Meet the Teacher
11th, 18th & 25th - Reception Tots on Tyres
18th - Year 3 Scoot Safe

OCTOBER

3rd - SEN/Family Support Coffee Morning
3rd - 2.15pm Harvest Service - Church
4th - Reception Afternoon Tea Party
7th - Whole School Flamenco Day
8th & 17th - Reception 2025 OPEN DAYS
2nd & 9th - Year 5 Bikeability
10th - Year 4 Trip to Abbeystead
11th - Flu vaccinations
17th - Whole School church
18th - Parents Exhibition Morning

NOVEMBER

5th - Individual photographs
5th & 6th - Parents Evening
7th - Outdoor Classroom Day
14th - KS2 Church - Year 6 leading
18th - School Parliament Week

DECEMBER

5th - Year 3 Journey to Bethlehem
9th - KS1 Nativity
12th - Minis/Reception Nativity
13th - Christmas Jumper Day
16th - KS2 Christmas Carols in Church
18th - Christmas Parties and Christmas Lunch
19th - Whole School Church
19th - Pantomime (In School)

JANUARY

13th - 3.30pm Year 6 SATS and Robinwood meeting
16th - Parents Coffee Morning

FEBRUARY

4th - KS1 Church - Year 2 leading
11th - Safer Internet Day
12th & 13th - Parents Evening
14th - Parents Exhibition Morning
24th - Young Voices concert (Co-op Live Arena)
24th - Swimming Pool arrives

MARCH

3rd - 5th March - Year 6 Residential to Robinwood
6th - World Book Day
27th - Whole School Church

APRIL

24th - Parents Coffee Morning

MAY

8th & 9th (PM) - May Day festival
12th - Key Stage 2 SATs week
21st - Class photographs
23rd - Parents Exhibition Morning

JUNE

2nd - Year 4 Multiplication Check Window
9th - Phonics Screening Check week
19th - Sports Day
26th - Back up Sports Day
23rd - Key Stage 1 SATs week

JULY

8th - Year 6 Performance
10th - Reports home
14th - Reports drop in for parents 3.30pm - 4.30pm
16th - Year 6 Prom
17th - AM - Whole School Church
17th - PM - Year 6 Leavers service
18th - Finish for Summer

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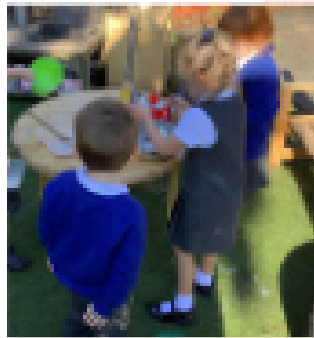
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You are invited to join us for our
Reception 2025 Open Days!

Tuesday 8th October

Morning - 9.30- 10:30am



Thursday 17th October

Afternoon - 1.30 - 2:30pm



Call the office to book
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Optimistic October 2024

MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month

2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)

3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you

4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list

5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good

6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better

7 Look for the good in people around you today

8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding

9 Share an important goal with someone you trust

10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently

11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward

12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today

13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing

14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation

15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted

16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting

17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society

18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead

19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future

20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time

21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you

22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague

23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise

24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently

25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?

26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face

27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time

28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?

29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to

30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future

31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month

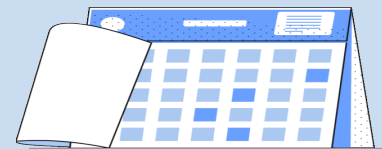


ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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School term and holiday patterns

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
 School re-opens on: Monday 24th February 2025
 School closes on: Friday 4th April 2025 at 2pm

Summer Term

School re-opens Tuesday 22nd April 2025
 May Day: Monday 5th May 2025
 School closes on: Friday 23rd May 2025
 Mid-term closure: Monday 26th May - Monday 2nd June 2025
 School re-opens on: Tuesday 3rd June 2025
 School closes on: Friday 18th July 2025 at 2pm