



Middleforth Church of England Primary School



Friday 22nd November Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another fantastic week with so many activities happening all over school. We had our PTFA KS2 Movie night which was a huge success, thank you to everyone for supporting school events. If you haven't already signed up to the PTFA Disco on 2nd December, please make sure you do. Thank you to everyone who came along to our second book fair on Tuesday, that was another success. Thank you to Mr Noblet for organising it and all of the wonderful helpers. We will definitely run this again in the future.

A reminder to take care as the weather changes. We will always endeavour to keep everyone updated as much as we can on Class Dojo, should any adverse weather affect school in any way and we will keep the pathways around school gritted to maintain safety. Please ensure children are wearing coats for school. Have a wonderful weekend.

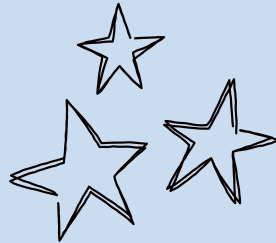
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Stars of the Week

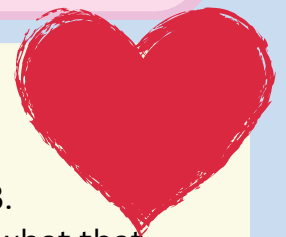
Nursery - Logan
 Rec - Darcie-Marie & Remy
 Y1 - Alex, Charlie & Noah
 Y2 - Ivy & Ilinka
 Y3 - Isla B & Jasper
 Y4 - Lily & Reggie
 Y5 - Ethan H & Sophie
 Y6 - Oliver & Jack

WELL DONE



Target 96%	
Reception	92.4%
Year 1	95.7%
Year 2	98.6%
Year 3	94.7%
Year 4	97.2%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	95.2%
Total	95.7%

Collective Worship Half Termly Theme - Service



This weeks we heard the story of Samuel taken from 1 Samuel 16.1-13.

We discussed how we should not judge a book by it's cover and reflected on what that means to us. We learnt that even though David was the smallest and youngest in his family, Samuel saw that he was the one who would serve God and his people best as king.

No one is too small, too young or too ordinary to be used by God in amazing ways.

The Lord looks at the heart and not at someone's appearance.

What are your dreams and aspirations for the future? How can can you be used by God in amazing ways?

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - MATTHEW 5:16

TAKEHOME



In the news this week

Why is discovery important?



A discovery of more than 6,000 ancient Maya structures, including a city of pyramids, has been named Valeriana. Hidden by jungle canopy in the Mexican state of Campeche, the city was discovered by chance. A student at Tulane University, in the US, found the city with the help of Lidar, a light detection technology, that uses lasers to map landscapes.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share what your definition of 'discovery' is with someone at home. Ask what their definition is.
- > Can you think of any big discoveries in the world made during your lifetime? Ask others at home whether they can recall any. Talk about the impact each had.

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.

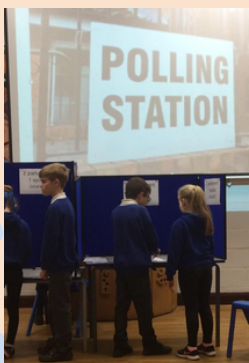
Year 6 War Museum trip

On Friday Year 6 went to the Lancashire Heritage Museum and we learnt all about the undercover war efforts. The children had to plot the British army route based on a secret map. Then they had to act as spies and develop their secret identity when tested at border controls. We had some very convincing under cover agents. We were then tasked to look at aerial photographs and try to identify war ships, air fields and industrial zones. Lastly, we became codebreakers and learnt how to decipher Morse code- the children were great at this!

Parliament Week

Across school today, children have been voting for their new Parliament and Sports Council Members. Lots of children expressed their interest in both and gave some amazing speeches in their classes. It takes a great amount of courage to stand and speak in front of others and we are incredibly proud of you all.

The votes were taken very seriously and we will announce our new Government on Monday. A huge thank you to our Head of Parliament and Year 6 Parliament members for all of their help and support, they were all complimented on their amazing leadership skills and manners.



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HUTTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Christmas FAIR

IN THE MAIN HALL AT HUTTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

SATURDAY 30TH
NOVEMBER

11AM - 2PM

FREE ENTRY

- ★ SANTA'S GROTTO ★
- ★ TURKEY BARMS ★
- ★ VENDORS & GIFTS ★
- GAMES, CAKES AND MORE



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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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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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New Ways November 2024

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month

2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way

3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you

4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community

5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel

6 Try out a new way of being physically active

7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire

8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week

9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"

10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea

11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way

12 Find out something new about someone you care about

13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax

14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about

15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."

16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective

17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself

18 Connect with someone from a different generation

19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site

20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before

21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them

22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them

23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love

24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently

25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show

27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it

28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card

29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen

30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times

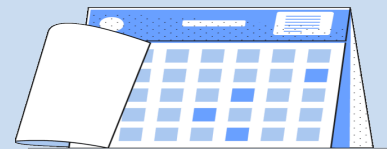


ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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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