



Middleforth Church of England Primary School



Our Christian Value this half term is Respect

Friday 15th October 2021

Dear Parents

We are only one week away from half-term where the children (and staff) can enjoy a well-earned break and come back refreshed for the build up towards Christmas. I am hoping to be able to invite families into school for the nativities and Christmas service this year. We will keep you updated with arrangements as we get nearer to the time.

Unfortunately, we have had our first positive COVID cases in school this week. All parties are well and recovering. I have passed on the well wishes of those that we have received, thank you. The year 3 and 4 classes have adapted well to being back in bubbles, and we appreciate the support of you all in getting PCR tests for the children as close contacts.

Year 3 enjoyed a trip to Ribby Hall Zoo this week and had a really fun day. Well done on how you represented school as we have had many positive comments.

There is lots to look forward to in the upcoming term, so please do make sure that you keep up to date with communication from school. If you have changed phone or email details please do update the office.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mr Swindells

Our stars of the week this week are;

Minis	Ivy
Reception	Oliver & Olivia
Year 1	Marty & Lois
Year 2	Freddie & David
Year 3	Oliver & Jody-Rose
Year 4	Keegan & Mia
Year 5	Lola & Harry
Year 6	Keeva & Theo



Home School Agreements & Image Consent Forms

Thank you to those who have already completed and returned their forms. It is important that all forms have been sent back into school by Monday 18th October and we particularly need all image consents before the school photographer comes to visit in November. If we do not have your consent for their photograph to be taken, they will not be included.

Tempest Photography

The school photographer will be visiting on Tuesday 2nd November to photograph all children, unless you have specified otherwise on your image consent form. If you have more than one child in school and would like them to be photographed with their sibling(s), we will be doing this first thing in the morning, **from 8.30am**, before they go to their classrooms. **Please bring them together to the junior**

playground, accessible via the bike path or the pathway leading around the side of the building to the school hall, where they will wait their turn with other families.

Trip Consents

There are few trips that require your consent to allow your child to attend. Links have been sent via text message for all trips, it is important that these are completed as soon as possible.

Update to School Lunches and Delivery Shortages

We will be operating a reduced menu next week, however, we are now using up what's left of our surplus stocks, therefore at least one hot meal will be available each day. We only have a limited number of portions, so once those have been reserved, we will remove the choice from Scopay. We are assured by Catering Services that supplies will return to normal after the half term break, and the full Autumn/Winter menu will be available online via Scopay. May we take this opportunity to thank you all for your patience and understanding during this challenging time.

Please continue to book your meals in the usual way via Scopay, we find that there are a lot of children without a meal reserved, after a weekend or a school holiday.

Please see next week's menu below:-

Amendments to menu w/c 11th October 2021, (Scopay has been updated to reflect changes)

Date	Meal Choice	Amended Option
18 th October	Main Meal 1	Tomato Soup with Choice of Sandwich, Tortilla Chips & Salad Sticks
	Main Meal 2	Homemade Margherita Pizza
	Main Meal 3	Baked Potato with Choice of Filling
	Dessert 1	Marble Sponge Cake and Custard
19 th October	Main Meal 1	British Beef Burger
	Main Meal 2	Pork Meatballs and Pasta
	Main Meal 3	Baked Potato with Choice of Filling
	Dessert 1	Strawberry Jelly
20 th October	Main Meal 1	Roast Chicken Dinner & Gravy served with Roast Potatoes, Broccoli Florets & Carrot Batons
	Main Meal 2	Choice of Sandwich, Tortilla Chips & Salad Sticks
	Main Meal 3	Baked Potato with Choice of Filling
	Dessert 1	Raspberry Bun
21 st October	Main Meal 1	Beef Neopolitan Pasta
	Main Meal 2	Choice of Sandwich, Tortilla Chips & Salad Sticks
	Main Meal 3	Baked Potato with Choice of Filling
	Dessert 1	Lancashire Cheese & Crackers with Grapes
22 nd October	Main Meal 1	Pork Sausages with Oven Chips, Garden Peas & Sweetcorn
	Main Meal 2	Fish Fingers with Oven Chips, Garden Peas & Sweetcorn
	Main Meal 3	Choice of Sandwich with Tortilla Chips and Salad Sticks
	Main Meal 4	Baked Potato with Choice of Filling
	Dessert 1	Chocolate Cupcake

PTFA AGM – all welcome!

FMS – Friends of Middleforth School

Our FMS (PTFA) annual general meeting is on **Monday 18th October at 2pm in school.**

At the AGM we will be appointing the Chair and Secretary and planning **Christmas fundraising.**

If you would like to volunteer to help with events/activities and cannot attend the AGM please just let the office know. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

Reminder - nut allergy

Please do not bring any foods containing nuts into school, and we must be extra vigilant in checking ingredients for peanuts, cashew and pistachios due to a severe allergy.

Key Dates

Date	Event
Monday 18 th October	FMS (PTFA) Annual General Meeting 2pm
Friday 22 nd October	Break up for half term
Sunday 31 st October	Year 6 deadline for Secondary School applications
Monday 1 st November	School re-opens
Monday 1 st November	Young Voices rehearsals start for Y5 and Y6. 3.15-4pm
Tuesday 2 nd November	Tempest photos
Wednesday 3 rd November	Y4 Blackpool Illuminations trip
Wednesday 24 th November	Nasal flu vaccinations (Reception to Y6)
Tuesday 7 th December	Aladdin Pantomime in school: Years N, Y1-Y5 Snow White Panto in Blackpool: Reception and Y6
Friday 17 th December	Break up for Christmas
Tuesday 4 th January 2022	INSET day
Wednesday 5 th January	School re-opens
Saturday 15 th January	Deadline for primary school applications (see Admissions page on our website)
Tuesday 8 th February	Young Voices concert, Manchester Y5 and Y6

**School term and holiday patterns
2021/2022**

AUTUMN TERM 2021

School closes on	Friday 22 nd October 2021 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure	Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October 2021
Re-open on	Monday 1 st November 2021
School closes on	Friday 17 th December 2021 at 2pm

SPRING TERM 2022

Re-open on	Wednesday 5 th January 2022
School closes on	Friday 11 th February 2022 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure	Monday 14 th February – Friday 18 th February 2022
Re-open on	Monday 21 st February 2022
School closes on	Friday 1 st April 2022 at 2.00pm

SUMMER TERM 2022

Re-open on	Tuesday 19 th April 2022
May Day Closure	Monday 2 nd May 2022
School closes on	Friday 27 th May 2022 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure	Monday 30 th May – Thursday 9th June 2022 (additional Jubilee bank holiday added in)
School re-opens on	Friday 10 th June 2022
School closes on	Friday 22 nd July 2022 at 2.00pm