



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 28th March Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an absolutely fantastic week we've had here at school! It's been full of exciting events, inspiring learning, and a whole lot of fun! In Year 2, we've had a bittersweet moment as we celebrated Mr. Day's final week with us during his teaching placement. He's worked tirelessly with the children, and the progress they've made under his guidance has been fantastic. A huge well done to Mr. Day for all his hard work, and we want to wish him the very best as he moves forward in his teaching career. Don't worry though, Mr. Day will be back in school on Monday, so the children will get to see their favourite teacher again soon! It's been a joy watching him grow in confidence and skill throughout his placement here.

Our Reception class ended the week off in style with a spectacular royal tea party. The children arrived dressed to the nines in their best royal attire, and the atmosphere was filled with excitement as they sipped tea, nibbled on treats, and practised their very best royal manners. It was such a joy to see their creativity and enthusiasm shine through as they took on their royal roles—what a truly memorable occasion!

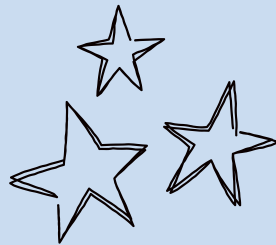
Have a lovely weekend everyone, Mrs Pilkington.

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Stars of the Week

Nursery - Eleanor
Rec - Grace & Freddie
Y1 - Kai & Olivia
Y2 - Whole Class
Y3 - Harper & Ivan
Y4 - Lily & Samanta
Y5 - Evelyn & Harriet
Y6 - Benjamin & Jack





Target 96%

Reception	98.0%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	99.0%
Year 3	97.3%
Year 4	94.7%
Year 5	97.7%
Year 6	93.5%
Total	96.5%

Collective Worship

Half Termly Theme - Thankfulness

This weeks worship on Thankfulness was all about Thanking God in creation. We had visitors from Howick, New Longton All Saints, Ste Stephens and Cop Lane who came to share in our worship and then followed this up with some prayer activities outside.

We read and acted our Psalm 148 and the children wrote down on leaves everything they were thankful for of God's creation.



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Thank you chain

Think about how an everyday item reaches you: Where does it come from? Who was involved in making it? Who should you thank?

Make a **thank you chain** and bring it to school to hang in the Challenge Gallery.

TAKEHOME

24th - 30th March



In the news this week

World leaders from around twenty countries are creating a group or 'coalition'. According to UK Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, they will work together to support Ukraine. Their collective aim is to end the war between Ukraine and Russia. The new group setup follows a difficult meeting between Ukraine's President, Volodymyr Zelensky, and US President, Donald Trump. The two leaders argued, and the meeting ended without a solution.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your knowledge of world leaders and talk to others at home about theirs.
- In your opinion, how important is it for world leaders to work together? In what areas do you think they need to work together?
- What about their role in helping other countries - do you feel this is always important?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Notice from the Office

Just a reminder to please keep all online scopy bookings and payments up to date. We still have a number of children who do not have pre-booked school lunches, particularly after a weekend or school holiday.

We are also receiving a large number of last minute, on the day bookings for after school club.

As we approach the summer term, we will be sending out debt reminders for balances outstanding, that must be settled before the end of the school year.

Subject Focus - Science

It has been a really busy half term of science learning across school. Year 6 have continued to learn about living things and the Linnaean System. Year 5 have been describing and comparing insect and amphibian lifecycles. Year 3 have been finishing their forces topic identifying magnetic materials and in Year 1 they have been looking at different flowering plants.

Donate and Take Box

Here is a reminder about 'Middleforth's Donate or Take initiative.' Times are pretty difficult at the moment in terms of cost of living so this new idea may be of help to a few people.

You will find in the Reception area, a flowery box and this is our 'Donate or Take' box. The idea is simple really - if you have any spare food or toiletry items at home, or could possibly buy an extra item during your weekly shop, please pop it in the box. If you are in need of any items yourself, please feel free to help yourself to what you need.

Please remember, if you are ever in need of anything else, then ring or email myself on 01772 746024 or email me at sknight@middleforth.lancs.sch.uk

Many thanks, Mrs Knight, Family Support Worker



EASTER

RAFFLE

Last chance to buy your Easter Egg Raffle Tickets. 20p a ticket or £1 a strip. Please send money into the office by Thursday 3rd April.

You have to be in it to win it!



Middlefirth Church of England Primary School



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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PENWORTHAM FOOTBALL
ACADEMY



FOOTBALL COACHING CAMP

MONDAY 7TH - FRIDAY
11TH APRIL 2025

9AM - 3PM
(WITH WRAP-AROUND AVAILABLE)

Join us on the PFA Football Camp
at Penwortham Priory Academy.

With a daily price of £20 a day,
£75 for 4 days or £85 for the full
week.

- ✓ Skill Development Practices
- ✓ Ability-Set Tournaments
- ✓ Small-Sided 3v3 Games
- ✓ Fun-Filled, Active Days!!



SAVE THE DATE

Summer Camps
w/b 4th & 26th Aug

[Book on here](#)



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Mindful March 2025

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life

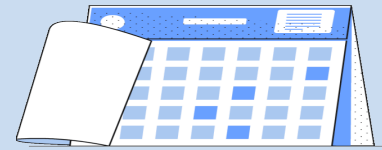


ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

School term and holiday patterns

2024-2025



Spring Term

School re-opens
Mid-term closure
School re-opens on:
School closes on:

Monday 6th January 2025
Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025
Monday 24th February 2025
Friday 4th April 2025 at 2pm

Summer Term

School re-opens
May Day:
School closes on:
Mid-term closure:
School re-opens on:
School closes on:

Tuesday 22nd April 2025
Monday 5th May 2025
Friday 23rd May 2025
Monday 26th May – Monday 2nd June 2025
Tuesday 3rd June 2025
Friday 18th July 2025 at 2pm

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