



# Middleforth Church of England Primary School



*Our Christian Value this half term is Respect*

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019**

Welcome back after Half Term. We have had another great week in school this week with lots of great activities going on around school. I always love to pop into classes and see the great work going on and today have enjoyed looking at some of the fantastic writing going on in classes through school. I was particularly impressed today on my walk round to find one of our young ladies in school is an amazing historian and was able to tell me in great detail about several significant women in history, and a young man who knew all about Mary Anning, the paleontologist, which was completely new to me. It is wonderful that so many of our children enjoy finding things out and learning new things outside of their lessons in school and following their own interests, and a joy to get a chance to hear about these things. I love learning new facts from the children every day seeing their passion for learning. What a privilege it is!

Thank you so much to the parents who attended the PTA meeting today. It was lovely to see a few new members come along. Our next meeting will be at 2pm on 15<sup>th</sup> November to plan events for the year. We would love to see more people at the meeting to help us plan some great events for this coming year.

Our school crossing patrol officer has asked me to remind parents of the dangers around the road outside school. Please reduce your speed as you drive along the roads approaching school and use him to cross the road. Please also ensure you park legally outside of the school. It is so important we keep all of our children, and adults safe at these busy times of day.

On Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> we have arranged to do a Bag Pack at Morrisons to raise money for school. Children will need to be accompanied by an adult in a ratio of one parent to four children. If you are willing to help at this event please can you let myself or the office know so that we can put together a rota of support. We would do two shifts on the day, one from 10am to 12pm and one from 12pm to 2pm.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Adams

### **Our stars of the week this week are:**

<b>Reception</b>	Evelyn & Edward
<b>Year 1</b>	Reeva & Chloe
<b>Year 2</b>	Noah & Leah
<b>Year 3</b>	Harry & Helena
<b>Year 4</b>	Theo & Jasmine
<b>Year 5</b>	Cameron & Lily
<b>Year 6</b>	Morris & Abbie



### **KS2 Merit Badge Winners**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Red – Ruby</b>	<b>Blue – Sapphire</b>	<b>Green - Emerald</b>	<b>Yellow – Amber</b>
<b>Y3</b>	Olive	Archie	Alfie	Melinda
<b>Y4</b>	Sai	Emily	Mollie	Oscar
<b>Y50</b>	Lily	Harvey	Kiera L	Archie P
<b>Y6</b>	Charlie Gw	Abbie	Tyler	Morris

### **Trips**

There are still a few class trips happening this half term, please ensure that payments are up to date and that you have informed the office if you require a packed lunch provided the school kitchen.

Y1 – Smithills Open Farm, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November, £17.00

Y6 – Manchester Science & Industry Museum, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, £18.00 now due

Y5 – Harry Potter World, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March, Deposits of £10 due by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

### **Lunch Orders – New Menus**

The new lunch menus have now been published and are available to book online via ParentPay. They will take effect from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Our existing menu will continue for the first two weeks back after half term, with a special Bonfire themed lunch on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November. May we please take this opportunity to remind parents to keep their children’s lunch bookings up to date to avoid disappoint if their choice is not available on the day. It is also a great help to the kitchen staff in planning their food orders.

### **Bonfire Themed Lunch – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**



Fire Cracking Chicken Burger or Fizz Popping Pinwheel Pizza,  
Served with Noisette Potatoes, Baked Beans & Crunchy Salad Sticks

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Baked Potato with Choice of Filling

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Sparkling Sticky Toffee Cake or Chocolate Apple Lolly



### **Surplus Uniform for Sale – Fleeces and Jackets**

We have few items of uniform left in our stocks that we are offering to our parents at a reduced rate. There are only a few school fleeces and jackets in limited sizes and also some Middleforth Minis sweatshirts for nursery children. Availability and prices are listed below, once they’re gone they’re gone!

Item & Price each	Sizes and Quantity available						
	3/4	5/6	7/8	9/10	11/12	13	Sm Adult
Fleece @ £7.00	3		3	5	5	5	
Reversible Jacket @ £10.00	2		1	1	3	1	1
Minis Sweatshirt @ £4.00		6					

### **Booking and Payment Reminders – Breakfast and After School Club**

A polite reminder from the office to continue to keep your lunch and before/after school booking and payments up to date particularly after a weekend or school holiday. We are still experiencing a number of last minute after school club bookings which causes a build of unpaid accounts. We do understand that some situations are unavoidable, but planning and booking in advance helps to keep both parents and school on track. The Scopay site is very easy to use, (try to avoid using the mobile app), you first have to credit your account, then order the sessions that you require. You are able to make bookings up until midnight of the day before you need them for lunches and before/after school.

### **Food Tech Lessons**

Years 3 and 4 are taking part in food tech lessons this half term. For these lessons we ask parents for a small contribution of £1.50 towards the cost of ingredients. This amount is added to the children’s Scopay account and can be paid online or by cash to the school office.

### **Aldi’s Kit For Schools**

We are collecting Team GB Stickers with Aldi’s Kit for Schools. Help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we’ll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000 for our school. Closing date is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

### **Nasal Flu vaccination**

If you have not completed the online consent form for the nasal flu vaccinations on 25<sup>th</sup> November, please call **0333 358 3397** as soon as possible.

## Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2019 – 2020

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Bonfire Themed Lunch
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Y1 Trip to Smithills Open Farm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 Trip to Manchester Science & Industry Museum
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	FMS PTFA meeting 2-3.15pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Movie Night from 3.15pm (run by FMS PTFA)
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> & Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Tree Festival – St Leonard’s Church
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Nasal flu vaccinations
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Lancashire Day Themed Lunch
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm	Key Stage one Christmas performances
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30am	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30am	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December - 9.30am	Christingle Service led by Key Stage 2 in church
	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas party key stage one
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas party key stage two
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes 2pm

## Term Dates 2019 – 2020

### **AUTUMN TERM 2019**

Re-open on

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019

School closes on

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at 2.00pm

### **SPRING TERM 2020**

Re-open on

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

School closes on

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 3.15pm

Mid Term Closure

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020

Re-open on

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020

School closes on

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 at 2.00pm

### **SUMMER TERM 2020**

Re-open on

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020

May Day Closure

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (**Please note change of date from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May**)

School closes on

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 at 3.15pm

Mid Term Closure

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020

School reopens on

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2020

School closes on

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020 at 2.00pm