



Middleforth Church of England Primary School



Our Christian Value this half term is Love



Friday 11th December 2020

Dear Parents

What a wonderful day of Christmas celebrations we have had today. Lovely Christmas outfits around school, Christmas movies and the smell of hot chocolate, and of course our very special surprise visitors Santa and his reindeer Lightning. The children have had all had their photo taken in the sleigh today and next week we will send home the photo's we have taken today with the reindeer via Seesaw to your account. If your child is on the photo with another child please do not share on social media without the other parent's consent.

Thank you for the bike donations to the bike revival scheme. It is a brilliant initiative and your donations have been greatly appreciated by the South Ribble Bike Team.

Next week:

Elf day, Monday 14th December

All nursery, reception, year 1 and year 2 children are invited to come to school dressed as an elf for our fun filled Elf Day! You do not need to buy an elf outfit - please recycle anything you already have at home such as leggings/jogging bottoms and an old T-shirt and belt, and maybe a Santa hat or tinsel. This is always such a fun day!

Nativities

The recordings of the nativities will be uploaded onto YouTube and the school's social media channels at 9.30am each day next week.

Monday = Nursery

Tuesday = Reception

Wednesday = KS1

Thursday = KS2

Friday = Virtual Carols around the tree (1:30pm)

Christmas Dinner, Wednesday 16th December

Christmas dinner will be eaten in classrooms in your child's bubble. Children may wear Christmas party clothes. Children bringing in a pack lunch will eat it with their friends in the classrooms.

Arrangements for collection on Friday 18th December

Children in nursery, reception, year one and year two should be collected at **2pm** as usual on the last day of term. Children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 should be collected at **2.05pm** on the upper playground to help us stagger the exit home on this last day.

Collection times

Just a reminder that the daily pick up times (excluding Friday 18th December) are:

Reception – 3.05pm (this has moved from 3pm, please do not arrive too early to avoid congestion along the path).

Year one - 3.10pm

Year two - 3.10pm

Juniors – 3.15pm

Nasal Flu Vaccinations – catch-up date

The catch-up session for children who were unable to have their flu vaccination on Tuesday is **Thursday 17th December**. If your child missed it because they were not on the Nurse's list please call the Vaccination Team on: 0333 358 3397, option 6.

Wraparound Care

Thank you all for adhering to the rules of booking a week in advance, this has been incredibly helpful and made such a difference in planning our staffing numbers. Please can you continue do this as we make our plans every Friday afternoon for the week following. We are finding that on occasion this is not being done and causing problems at both ends of the day. Breakfast and After School clubs are booked online via ScoPay.

Attendance/Absences

If your child is going to be absent due to illness, you must contact the office before 9.00am. If you are reporting outside of school hours or the phoneline is busy, you can email, text or leave a message on the answerphone. If we have not heard from or been able to make contact with a parent/carer at the time of registration, we are obliged by LCC to report that child as missing.

Medical appointments

Please advise the office of the date and time. Ideally, making appointments outside of school hours would be advisable, however, where this is unavoidable we need advance notification. If you are taking your child out of school for any other reason, such as a holiday or celebration etc., you must complete a LCC leave of absence form which are available from the school office.

Reception Admissions 2021

Online applications for reception class 2021 need to be made by **Friday 15th January 2021**. Please visit our website for links to the Lancashire County Council application form and to view our new school video.

Thank you as always for your continued cooperation and support with following the current school arrangements due to Coronavirus. Have a great weekend and keep safe.

Mrs Adams

Dates for your diary:

Date	Activity
Week commencing 14 th December	Nativity performances to be viewed on-line
16 th December	Christmas Dinner (party clothes)
17 th December	Nasal flu vaccination catch-up sessions
18 th December	School closes for Christmas at 2pm and 2.05pm (KS2)
4 th January 2021	School re-opens
15 th January	Deadline for reception 2021 applications

Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2020

School closes on Friday 18th December 2020

SPRING TERM 2021

Re-open on Monday 4th January 2021
School closes on Friday 12th February 2021 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure Monday 15th February – Friday 19 February 2021
Re-open on Monday 22nd February 2021
School closes on Friday 26th March 2021 at 2.00pm

SUMMER TERM 2021

Re-open on Monday 12th April 2021
May Day Closure Monday 3rd May 2021
School closes on Friday 28th May 2021 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure Monday 31st May – Tuesday 8th June 2021
School re-opens on Wednesday 9th June 2021
School closes on Friday 16th July 2021 at 2.00pm

AUTUMN TERM 2021

Re-open on Thursday 2nd September 2021
School closes on Friday 22nd October 2021 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October 2021
Re-open on Monday 1st November 2021
School closes on Friday 17th December 2021 at 2.00pm

SPRING TERM 2022

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

SUMMER TERM 2022

Re-open on Tuesday 19th April 2022
May Day Closure Monday 2nd May 2022
School closes on Friday 27th May 2022 at 3.15pm
Mid Term Closure Monday 30th May – Wednesday 8th June 2022
School re-opens on Thursday 9th June 2022
School closes on Friday 22nd July 2022 at 2.00pm