



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 20th October Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, what a busy and amazing half term we have had. Everyone has been fantastic and we have managed to achieve so much in such a short space of time. I have spent some time in Year 2 this week, where they have been looking at rhyming adjectives within poetry and they have also been amazing mathematicians using known number bond facts to solve problems. Year 3 have finished their unit on Paddington and completed some fantastic information texts about London.

I also wanted to thank you all for your support with my return back to work this half term, I am immensely proud to be the headteacher at Middleforth and love watching all your children grow and develop each day in school.

I hope you all have a lovely half term break and we will see you all back on Wednesday 1st November.

Mrs Pilkington

Stars of the Week

Nursery - Eden
 Rec - Matilda C & Charlie
 Y1 - Lana & Harley
 Y2 - Finlay & Reuben
 Y3 - Sophia & Lois
 Y4 - Evelyn & Amelie
 Y5 - Joe & Beckett
 Y6 - Noah &~ Riley

WELL DONE



Target 96%	
Reception	96.0%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	94.0%
Year 3	89.0%
Year 4	94.7%
Year 5	98.1%
Year 6	93.8%
Total	94.5%

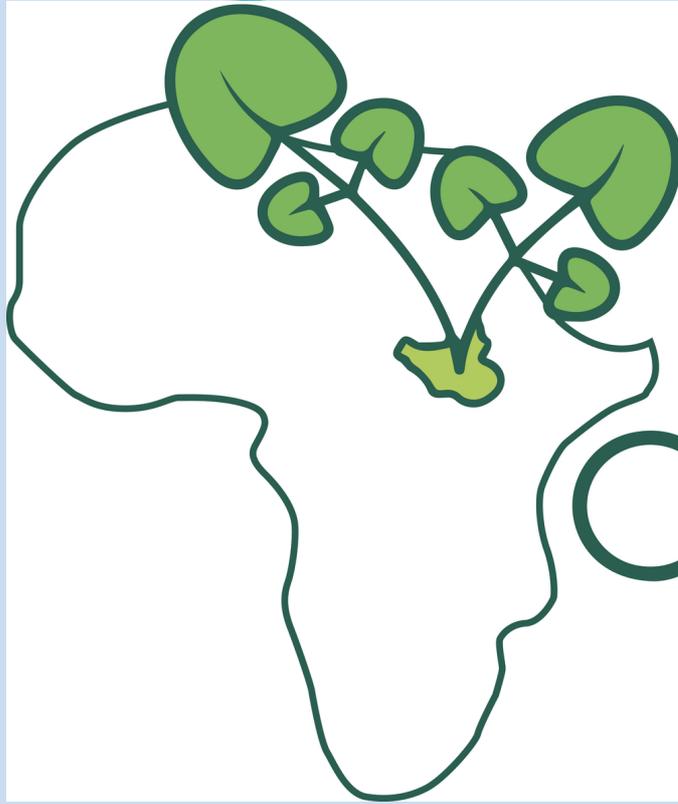
This half term our focus will be on: The Words of Jesus

This week in worship we focused on John 13.34 - 35. We talked about how after Jesus had washed his disciples feet he spoke to them and asked them and said 'And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

We talked about how we can show love to one another, even people we do not know. We discussed how we could help someone in need to even just ask someone if they are ok.



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - MATTHEW 5:16



Thank you to everyone who sponsored their child and contributed towards our **Bishops Harvest Appeal 2023.**
We raised £120

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Uniform

At Middleforth, we wear our uniform with pride as it gives us a sense of togetherness, and fosters an environment of equality and belonging.

The approved school uniform is as follows:

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Grey or white socks or tights
- Sensible flat shoes (**no trainers**)
- Royal blue sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan with school logo or plain royal blue without logo



Summer Uniform

- Pale blue cotton print (gingham or stripes) dress or Grey school shorts

PE Uniform

- **PE KIT - to be worn only on PE days**
- White T-shirt with school logo
- PE Hoodie with school logo
- Royal blue shorts
- Black pumps or trainers
- **Plain black** jogging bottoms or leggings for outdoor PE or colder weather.

OPAL

- Wellie and waterproofs.

Reminder for Secondary School Applicants

Year 6 parents! As your child is due to start secondary school in September 2024 - apply for their school place now! www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (Closing date 31 October 2023)

For guidance and eligibility for school transport see:

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<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/>.

Our fun with OPAL has continued...



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Optimistic October 2023



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

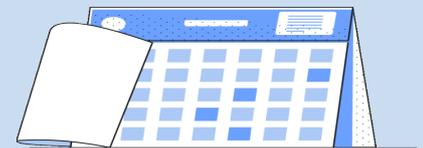
- 1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month
- 2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)
- 3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you
- 4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list
- 5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good
- 6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better
- 7 Look for the good in people around you today
- 8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding
- 9 Share an important goal with someone you trust
- 10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently
- 11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward
- 12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today
- 13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing
- 14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation
- 15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted
- 16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting
- 17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society
- 18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead
- 19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future
- 20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time
- 21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you
- 22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague
- 23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise
- 24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently
- 25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?
- 26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face
- 27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time
- 28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?
- 29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to
- 30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future
- 31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

School term and holiday patterns



Autumn Term 2023 Re-opened on Monday 4th September 2023
Mid-term closure Monday 23rd October - Tuesday 31st October 2023

School re-opens on Wednesday 1st November 2023
School closes on Friday 22nd December 2023 at 2.00pm

Spring Term 2024 Re-open on Monday 8th January 2024
Mid-term closure Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024

School re-opens Monday 19th February
School closes on Thursday 28th March 2024 at 2.00pm

Summer Term 2024 Re-open on Monday 15th April
Mid-term closure Monday 27th May- Monday 3rd June 2024
School closes on Friday 19th July 2023 at 2.00p



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