



Middleforth Church of England Primary School

Friday 17th November Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had yet another busy week at school, which started with Year 5 beginning their bikeability whilst storm Debbie was trying to distract them. They now have another session next week to catch up. Following the completion of the second session, year 5 pupils will then be able to ride their bikes to school without an adult.

We also started the week with Odd Socks to start our work on Anti-bullying week and discussions about how we show respect for all. Today we have all come dressed in spots for Children In Need and we all look amazing.

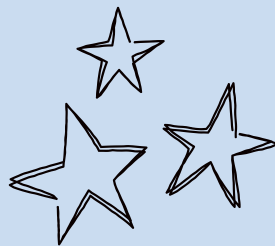
Year 6 have also had an exciting week, finishing off their waistcoats in design technology and they will be sharing these with us next week in a mini fashion show to showcase their sewing and design skills, we cannot wait. Thank you all for your continued support with yet another busy week.

Mrs Pilkington

★ **Stars of the Week** ★

Nursery - Oliver
 Rec - Kai & Noah
 Y1 - Akhil & Eliza
 Y2 - Darcy & Harry
 Y3 - Kairo, Oliver & Nevaeh
 Y4 - Midas & Noah
 Y5 - Lily & Eduards
 Y6 - James & Keegan

WELL DONE



Target 96%	
Reception	96.0%
Year 1	98.3%
Year 2	92.3%
Year 3	98.9%
Year 4	91.3%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	95.8%
Total	95.9%

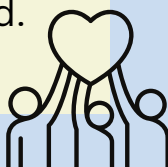
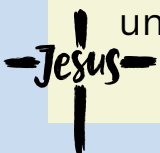
This half term our focus will be on: Advent and Christmas

This week in worship we focused on Luke 1.26-38 and when the Angel announces good news to Mary. We discussed how this must have come as a shock for Mary and what choices she had. We agreed that Mary's words from the Bible "I am the Lord's servant, may it happen to me as you have said."

showed **humility, dignity** and **courage**.

Yesterday, Year 5 also led worship in Church for Key Stage 2 and explored the value of dignity in a little more detail to help support the children's understanding. They were incredible and really did themselves proud.

Well done Year 5!



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TAKEHOME



In the news this week



Community centres, libraries, businesses, and churches across the UK have been set up as free warm spaces to help provide warmth and companionship during the winter months. With cold weather continuing, charities and campaign groups are concerned that households face higher energy bills than last year. More than 12,000 warm banks were used by millions of Britons last winter in response to rising energy prices that worsened the UK's cost of living crisis. The scheme was set up by local councils, charities, and partner organisations.

Things to talk about at home ...

- As well as warmth, what other benefits do you think warm spaces will provide for communities?
- Can you think of any other ways that we can support each other during difficult times?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Key Dates

- Monday 13th November** - Odd Socks Day
- Friday 17th November** - Children In Need
- Monday 20th November** - KS2 Parent Reading and Writing workshop
- Thursday 14th December** - EYFS inc Nursery Nativity 9:30 and 2:30
- Monday 18th December** - Key Stage 1 Nativity 1:30 and 3:30
- Tuesday 19th December** - Christmas Parties
- Wednesday 20th December** - Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch and **KS2 Carol Concert** 2pm and 4pm at Church

PTFA Dates

- Friday 24th November** - Pre-loved Christmas Jumper Hand In Date
- Friday 1st December** - Pre-loved Christmas Jumper sale 3:30pm.
- Thursday 7th December** - Christmas Disco
- Tuesday 12th December** - Movie Night Y2-Y6
- Thursday 21st December** - Christmas Raffle

School Parliament

Last week we had our first cabinet meeting. The children were very enthusiastic, sharing their ideas for Fundraising Events, School Events and just general ideas on how we can improve school. During our meeting the children expressed their interests for which area they would like to represent.

We have:

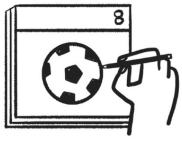
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| Behaviour MPs: Freya, Eva and Neave | Eco MPs: Oliver and Andreas |
| Inclusion/Well Being MPs: Freya, Eva and Neave | OPAL MPs: Listy and Theo |
| Teaching and Learning MPs: Jimmy and Harriet | Worship MPs: Isaac and Harriet. |



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New Ways November 2023

MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

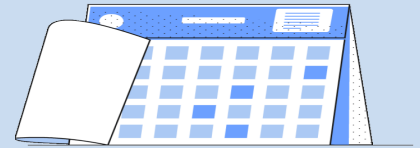
- 1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month
- 2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way
- 3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you
- 4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community
- 5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel
- 6 Try out a new way of being physically active
- 7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire
- 8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week
- 9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"
- 10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea
- 11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way
- 12 Find out something new about someone you care about
- 13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax
- 14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about
- 15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."
- 16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective
- 17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself
- 18 Connect with someone from a different generation
- 19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site
- 20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before
- 21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them
- 22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them
- 23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love
- 24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently
- 25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way
- 26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show
- 27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it
- 28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card
- 29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen
- 30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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School term and holiday patterns



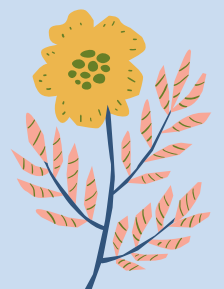
Autumn Term 2023 Re-opened on Monday 4th September 2023
Mid-term closure Monday 23rd October - Tuesday 31st October 2023

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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