Middleforth Church of England Primary School





# 'Let your light shine!'

## Our Christian Value this half term is courage

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Thank you to all the parents who have sent best wishes to Miss Graham and Mrs Garner this week. They are so grateful to you for your support and I have passed on your good wishes. Miss Graham will be back with us next week and we will be pleased to see her back in school. Mrs Garner is still unwell and we continue to pray for her return to good health and a return to school. Miss Edmondson will continue to be in Class one working alongside Mrs Chadwick and Mrs Garside until Mrs Garner is fully fit.

I am pleased to announce that last week we successfully appointed a new Business Manager to replace Mrs Lynch. Her name is Mrs Boughey and she will be joining us at the end of March. Mrs Lynch will be leaving us on the 8th February and returning to the North East. We will say a sad goodbye to her at our Celebration Worship on that Morning.

Flu season is now fully upon us and we do have some cases in school. Our school nurse has asked me to remind everyone to take extra precautions at this time and ensure really good handwashing, tissue disposal etc. to limit the spread of the illness. We are being vigilant in school about this and will keep reminding the children about good handwashing.

The local Police have been in again this week to comment on parking outside school and will be repeating their visits. Please do not park on the zigzags or double yellows outside of school. Can I also please ask that parents who use the staff car park in the allowed times, do so with consideration for others. Please only use the car parking bays to park and do not park against the fence or block the disabled bay.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Adams

#### Star of the week – Friday 25th January 2019!

Our stars of the week this week are;		
Reception	Riley & Andreas	
Year 1	Alfie & Isaac	
Year 2	Ethan & Oscar	
Year 3	Mollie & Charlotte	
Year 4	William & Arthur	
Year 5	James & Lewis W	
Year 6	Chloe & Jayden	



#### KS2 Merit Badge Winners

Class	Red – Ruby	Blue – Sapphire	Green - Emerald	Yellow – Amber
Y3	Jennifer	Imogen	Jasmine	Catherine
Y4	Niamh	Connor	Stuart	Hannah
Y5	Charlie Gw	Charlie Ga	Chloe	Tyler
Y6	Elvi	Chloe	Theodore	Jayden

#### A Polite Request from the School Office 😊

With only a couple of weeks to go until Mrs Lynch leaves us, we would like to appeal to our families and ask for their co-operation and understanding during this time of transition. As we are sure you are more than aware, the school office is very busy at the best of times, but with half the staff to cope with the daily running of things, the pressure and workload will be significantly increased.

We are, therefore asking that if you can do what you can to help by keeping children's lunch orders up to date and booked in advance using the ParentPay system. Meals are currently available to book until the end of March. If you use breakfast and after school clubs, it would also be great if you could again, keep your bookings up to date and in advance, if at all possible. We can accept last minute bookings for After School Club but please ensure you have credit on your account for to booking to go ahead.

Please check both **scopay** and **ParentPay** to keep your payments and accounts up to date, as well as any surveys that may come along on **school spider**. We do fully appreciate that there is a lot to deal with at times but it would really help us to keep things running as smoothly as possible. If you are not yet set up with our online systems and need some help, please call in or contact the office next week.

Lastly, the office can be very busy first thing in the morning and the end of the school day. If you have a query that can be dealt with by email (<u>office@middleforth.lancs.sch.uk</u>) or text message instead of having to queue, that would also help immensely. **This of course does not apply to matters of an urgent or delicate nature**.

Thank you in advance of your understanding and patience during the coming weeks, your support with this will help us so much, *Donna Hardman* <sup>(2)</sup>

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Y3 PGHS Day of Dance
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Y2 Dance/Gymnastics Priory Academy (10 children)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Y5 Harry Potter Trip
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February pm and evening	Y5 WRIST celebration of Friendship
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 Manchester Museum Trip
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March pm and evening	Y6 Sing together Blackburn King Georges Hall
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 1.30-3.30pm	Parent teacher meetings
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 3.30-6.00pm	Parent teacher meetings
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter service at church
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Bake off
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day celebrations
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day celebrations
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day celebrations
Week commencing 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Key Stage two SATS tests
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 19th June	Y6 Residential Trip to Tower Wood
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Sports Day
Week commencing 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Healthy bodies, Healthy minds week
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July morning	Leavers service in school for year 6
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July evening	Year six prom
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports out
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year church service.

### Dates for the year 2018 - 2019