

Middleforth Church of England Primary School



Friday 28th February Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been full of exciting activities and learning at Middleforth! The whole school enjoyed swimming in our fantastic swimming pool on the Key Stage 2 playground, while Year 5 girls had a wonderful time at Penwortham Girls High School for their transition day, showcasing what incredible ambassadors they are for our school. Year 5 also put their problem-solving skills to the test in maths, exploring the perimeter of their tables through debating and hands-on activities. We've also had more lunchtime activities to support the development of our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) project, and finally we wish Year 6 the best of luck on their adventure to Robinwood next week, make sure you get some rest this weekend!

Have a lovely weekend everyone and we will see you all on Monday. Mrs Pilkington.







Target 96% Reception 88.0% Year 1 92.0% Year 2 94.5% 96.0% Year 3 Year 4 96.7% Year 5 97.3% Year 6 96.1% **Total** 94.4%

<u>Collective Worship</u> <u>Half Termly Theme - Thankfulness</u>

This half term we launched our new value for this half term of Thankfulness. Iain Parks, who is The Director of Education for the Diocese came into school and led worship. We spoke about how we can thank God for the people who help us. We spoke about all the people around us who help us and how we could also help each other in school.

We looked at the verse from Philippian 1.3 'Every time I think of your I give thanks to my God.'





In the news this week

launched a campaign called 'Girls can have short hair. Get Over It'. This was prompted by parents and coaches of opposition teams questioning whether all the players were girls, due to some having short hair. The team has received a positive response, with other young players, who have experienced similar situations, reaching out.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your response to this week's news and your thoughts about the campaign. What changes do you think it hopes to bring?
- Can you think of any other campaigns that have helped to bring about positive change? Ask someone at home if they can recall one too.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others









Attendance

Changes in the law have now come into effect regarding school attendance. Parents have a legal duty to ensure their child attends every day, except if your child is too ill to attend school.

More information can be found on our school website. We will also be sending out some further information in due course.

Subject Focus -PE

Across school this week, everyone had had their first session in the pool. It has been an absolute pleasure and joy to see everyone enjoying themselves and learning some essential skills along the way. The swimming staff have commented on how brilliant all the children have been and we cannot wait to see how much progress they are all going to make over the half term.

Donate and Take Box

Here is a reminder about 'Middleforth's Donate or Take initiative.' Times are pretty difficult at the moment in terms of cost of living so this new idea may be of help to a few people. You will find in the Reception area, a flowery box and this is our 'Donate or Take' box. The idea is simple really - if you have any spare food or toiletry items at home, or could possibly buy an extra item during your weekly shop, please pop it in the box. If you are in need of any items yourself, please feel free to help yourself to what you need.

Please remember, if you are ever in need of anything else, then ring or email myself on 01772 746024 or email me at sknight@middleforth.lancs.sch.uk Many thanks, Mrs Knight, Family Support Worker



courageous Advocaren

Over the last few weeks, Darcey Warren in Year 3 has been planning a cake sale to raise money for **Make a Wish UK** to help towards children who are very poorly and help grant their wishes to come true. This week after school Darcey, with the help of her family and friends raised a total of £295. They also organised and ran a 'Guess the name of the bunny' and the winner was Chloe in Y4. They also ran 'Guess how many sweets in the jar' and the answer was 244 and the winner was Phoebe in Y6.

What an amazing achievement, we are so proud of you!





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We have funded and paid nursery places available!

Call the office to book a visit and enquire about a place: 01772 746024









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'LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE' MATTHEW 5.16



Middleforth Church of England Primary School 2024/2025 Yearly Planner



9th - Fairtrade Fortnight

11th - Meet the Teacher

11th, 18th & 25th - Reception Tots on

Tyres

18th - Year 3 Scoot Safe

OCTOBER

3rd - SEN/Family Support Coffee Morning

3rd - 2.15pm Harvest Service - Church

4th - Reception Afternoon Tea Party

7th - Whole School Flamenco Day

8th & 17th - Reception 2025 OPEN DAYS

2nd & 9th - Year 5 Bikeability

10th - Year 4 Trip to Abbeystead

11th - Flu vaccinations

17th - Whole School church

18th - Parents Exhibition Morning

5th - Individual photographs

5th & 6th - Parents Evening

7th - Outdoor Classroom Day

14th - KS2 Church - Year 6 leading

18th - School Parliament Week

DECEMBER

5th - Year 3 Journey to Bethlehem

9th - KS1 Nativity

12th - Minis/Reception Nativity

13th - Christmas Jumper Day

16th - KS2 Christmas Carols in Church

18th - Christmas Parties and Christmas

Lunch

19th - Whole School Church

19th - Pantomime (In School)

JANUARY

13th - 3.30pm Year 6 SATS and Robinwood meeting

16th - Parents Coffee Morning

4th - KS1 Church - Year 2 leading

11th - Safer Internet Day

12th & 13th - Parents Evening

14th - Parents Exhibition Morning

24th - Young Voices concert (Co-op Live Arena)

24th - Swimming Pool arrives

MARCH

3rd - 5th March - Year 6 Residential to Robinwood

6th - World Book Day

27th - Whole School Church

24th - Parents Coffee Morning

MAY

8th & 9th (PM) - May Day festival

12th - Key Stage 2 SATs week

21st - Class photographs

23rd - Parents Exhibition Morning

2nd - Year 4 Multiplication Check Window

9th - Phonics Screening Check week

19th - Sports Day

26th - Back up Sports Day

23rd - Key Stage 1 SATs week

8th - Year 6 Performance

10th - Reports home

14th - Reports drop in for parents

3.30pm - 4.30pm

16th - Year 6 Prom

17th - AM - Whole School Church

17th - PM - Year 6 Leavers service

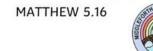
18th - Finish for Summer

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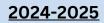
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School term and holiday patterns





Spring Term

School re-opens Monday 6th January 2025

Mid-term closure Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025

School re-opens on: Monday 24th February 2025 School closes on: Friday 4th April 2025 at 2pm

Summer Term

School re-opens Tuesday 22nd April 2025
May Day: Monday 5th May 2025
School closes on: Friday 23rd May 2025

Mid-term closure: Monday 26th May – Monday 2nd June 2025

School re-opens on: Tuesday 3rd June 2025

School closes on: Friday 18th July 2025 at 2pm