



# Middlefirth Church of England Primary School



## Friday 25th April Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back, everyone! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break. We have an exciting week ahead! Our nursery children are embarking on their very first Forest School session, where they'll be learning through nature and adventure. Year 2 is diving into the magical world of Aladdin, filled with stories, wonders, and new discoveries. We are also thrilled to introduce our new site supervisor, Melvin Along, who will be joining us next week. Please join me in welcoming Melvin into our Middlefirth family—he's sure to be a great addition to our team. Here's to a wonderful term ahead!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Thank you, Mrs Pilkington

*Welcome*



### Stars of the Week

Nursery - Alex

Rec - Holly & Poppy

Y1 - Matilda C & Charles

Y2 - Jack & Mara

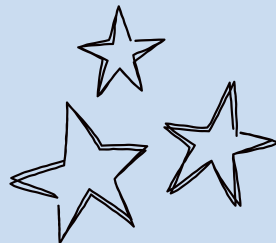
Y3 - Oliver & Paige

Y4 - Rhys & Reggie

Y5 - Eva & Theo

Y6 - Diyan & Jacob R

**WELL DONE**

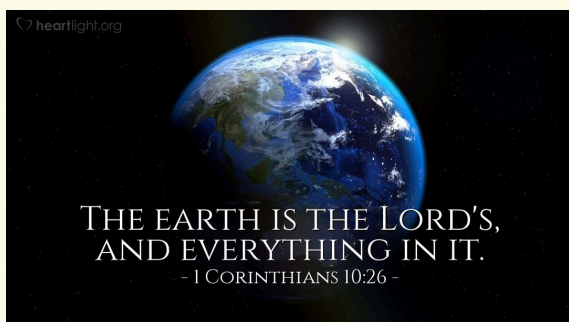


### Target 96%

Reception	92.2%
Year 1	95.5%
Year 2	96.5%
Year 3	96.3%
Year 4	95.9%
Year 5	94.3%
Year 6	94.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>95.1%</b>

### Collective Worship

### Mother Earth Day 22.04.2025



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - MATTHEW 5:16

# TAKEHOME



## In the news this week

Singer, Ed Sheeran, has written a letter to UK Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, asking for more money to support music education in schools. In the letter, Ed asks the government to increase funding for instruments, training, and teachers, among other things. Many famous musicians, including Sir Elton John, Coldplay, Harry Styles, and Stormzy, have signed the letter to show their support.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > What type of music do you like to listen to? Ask someone at home – do you listen to the same type of music?
- > How do music lessons make you feel? What parts do you enjoy/not enjoy?
- > Do you think enough time at school is spent on music lessons?
- > Have you ever learned, or would you like to learn to play an instrument?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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## Notice from the Office

Just a reminder to please keep all online Scopay bookings and payments up to date. We still have a number of children who do not have pre-booked school lunches, particularly after a weekend or school holiday. We are also receiving a large number of last minute, on the day bookings for breakfast and after school club which impacts the resources and staff ratios required. From September, we will be introducing an additional charge for all same day bookings other than Early Bird drop offs.

## Subject Focus - English

In English this week many classes have started their exciting new units!

Year 2 have made such a fantastic start to Aladdin, Year 3 have been exploring the Romans and Year 5 have started the classic 'Goodnight Mr Tom'.

Reception have been focusing on their writing with a variety of activities completed this week - two of which were shown in Celebration assembly this morning!

## 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](mailto:sknight@middleforth.lancs.sch.uk)

Many thanks, Mrs Knight, Family Support Worker







**WOW! What brilliant afternoon we have had!! The children all looked absolutely fantastic in their outfits and put in a great effort. Thank you everyone. We spent the afternoon walking a whopping 692,800 steps (that's not including all the extra dancing they did) AMAZING!**

**Alongside the steps the children completed an obstacle course, penalty shoot out, a pit stop dance party, and of course their favourite station... WET THE TEACHER!! Rosalina from the Cash for Kids charity came to watch and support our efforts and will be giving us a shout out on their social media and HITS radio next week. She was amazed by our efforts! Our target was to raise £250... but we gone above and beyond that, raising a fantastic £600 so far! Donations are still welcome up until the 1st of May. Thank you so much for everyone who has donated it is very much appreciated ❤️ have a lovely weekend x**



# New Parent Governors



**Rachel  
Hickson**



**WELL  
DONE!**

**Mark  
Woods**



**Middlefirth Church of England Primary School**



**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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# Middlefirth Church of England Primary School 2024/2025 Yearly Planner



## SEPTEMBER

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

## NOVEMBER

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

## FEBRUARY

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

## APRIL

24th - Parents Coffee Morning

## MAY

8th & 9th (PM) - May Day festival  
12th - Key Stage 2 SATs week  
21st - Class photographs  
23rd - Parents Exhibition Morning

## JUNE

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

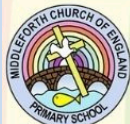
## JULY

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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# Active April 2025

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Commit to being more active this month, starting today

2 Spend as much time as possible outdoors today

3 Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do

4 Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water

5 Turn a regular activity into a playful game today

6 Do a body-scan meditation and really notice how your body feels

7 Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening

8 Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh

9 Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise

10 Have a day with less screen time and more movement

11 Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge

12 Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside

13 Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time

14 Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation

15 Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!)

16 Go exploring around your local area and notice new things

17 Be active outside. Plant some seeds and encourage growth

18 Try out a new exercise, activity or dance class

19 Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often

20 Focus on 'eating a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables today

21 Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day

22 Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it

23 Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour

24 Get active in nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-spotting

25 Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself

26 Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes

27 Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil

28 Meet a friend outside for a walk and a chat

29 Become an activist for a cause you really believe in

30 Make time to run, swim, dance, cycle or stretch today



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

## School term and holiday patterns

2024-2025

### 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:

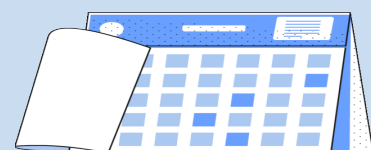
Monday 26th May – Monday 2nd June 2025

School re-opens on:

Tuesday 3rd June 2025

School closes on:

Friday 18th July 2025 at 2pm



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