



# Middlefirth Church of England Primary School

## Friday 9th May Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Carers,



What a wonderful week it's been here at school! The sun has been shining, and we've had a fantastic time celebrating our May Day festival. A huge well done to all our brilliant pupils in Minis, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 for their amazing dances – you were all stars! We were also thrilled to welcome around 200 family members who came along to enjoy the festivities with us. Despite a few lost shoes and some tangled ribbons, the day was a roaring success!

Yesterday, along with May Day we celebrated VE Day 80. The whole school, learnt about importance of VE Day and what it means to us today. Minis had a VE Day party, year 1 wrote letters to a veteran, Year 4 made red, white and blue flowers and Year 6 made their own bunting. Which was all displayed across school.

As the lovely weather continues, please make sure children come to school with the correct clothing and appropriate school uniform, ready to enjoy the sunshine safely.

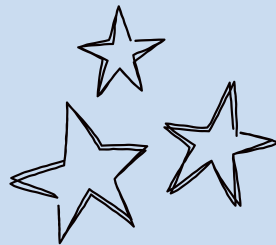
Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Thank you, Mrs Pilkington



**Stars of the Week**  
**Nursery/Rec/Y1/Y2 - Everyone!**  
**Y3 - Theo & Isla M**  
**Y4 - Joseph & Esmee**  
**Y5 - Ethan C & Amirali**  
**Y6 - Joe & Theo**





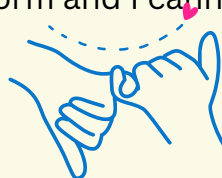
Target 96%	
Reception	94.2%
Year 1	97.9%
Year 2	89.1%
Year 3	98.3%
Year 4	95.8%
Year 5	94.6%
Year 6	96.4%
Total	95.2%

### Collective Worship

### Half Term Value - Trust

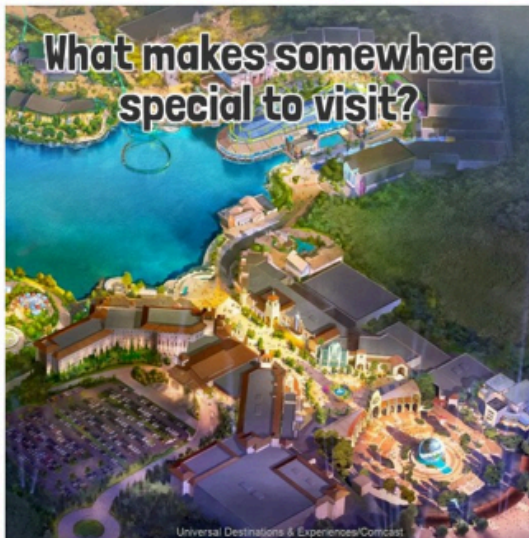
### **Knowing Jesus Is With Us In Stormy Times - Mark 4.32-41**

This week in Collective Worship we reflected on the fact that sometimes it is difficult to trust others when we are worried or frightened. We reflected on the story of Jesus calming the storm and the questions Jesus asked his disciples - "Where was your faith? Why didn't you trust me?". It is important for us to remember that when life becomes stormy, we can trust in Jesus and he will be there. The children we set a challenge to create a collage of the storm and I cannot wait to see them all.



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# TAKEHOME



Universal Destinations & Experiences/Cortcast

## In the news this week

The government has recently announced that a theme park will be built in the UK, due to open in 2031. The brand-new Universal theme park will be the first in Europe, located in Bedfordshire, England. Universal Pictures is a US entertainment company, well known for creating movies such as Sing, Despicable Me, Shrek and The Grinch. It currently has five theme parks across the world, with plans to build more.

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

- > Share your response to the news about a new theme park in the UK with someone at home. Is it somewhere you would like to visit?
- > Have you been to any other theme parks? Have others at home? If not, would you like to?
- > Can you think of a place that is special to you? What makes it special?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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## Key Stage 2 SATS - Year 6

Next week, our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs. It's really important that they get plenty of rest with early nights, arrive at school on time, and feel supported every step of the way. As a whole school family, we'll be cheering them on, wishing them all the luck, and keeping them in our thoughts and prayers.



## Subject Focus - PSHE

In PSHE this half term, the focus has been on keeping safe. Year 4 have been thinking about hazards and danger, whilst Year 2 have been thinking about safe and unsafe situations. We are looking forward to the SCARF life education sessions next 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](mailto:sknight@middleforth.lancs.sch.uk)

Many thanks, Mrs Knight, Family Support Worker



Hutton Grammar School Association

# Plant Sale

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
12 noon - 3pm  
Hutton Grammar School,  
Liverpool Road, Hutton, PR4 5SN

Refreshments Available



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# Jigsaw Festival

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Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
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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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# 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

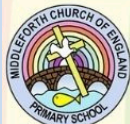
## JULY

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:

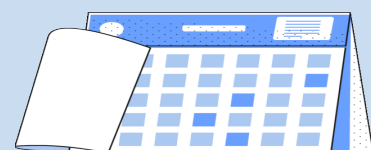
Monday 26th May – Monday 2nd June 2025

School re-opens on:

Tuesday 3rd June 2025

School closes on:

Friday 18th July 2025 at 2pm



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