

# Archibald News

Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



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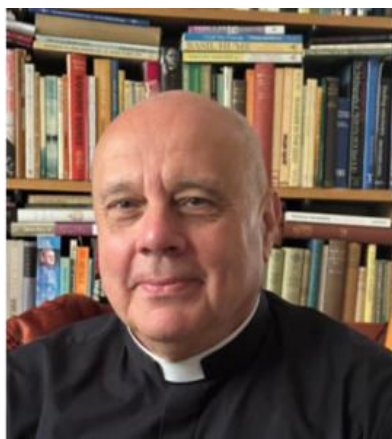


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## Fr Glyn's Retirement



Many of you will be aware that Fr Glyn retired from his position at All Saints Church and as Chair of our Local Governing Board at the end of the summer.

He dedicated over 27 years to Archibald Primary School, including over 22 years as Chair of Governors, and had been a regular visitor into school

each Tuesday afternoon for many years to work with Y1 pupils, as well as his regular assemblies and infamous Christingle Assemblies. He will be missed by the whole school community, past and present

In a special whole school assembly last Thursday afternoon, pupils and staff showed their appreciation to Fr Glyn. Pupils presented him with artwork they had created themselves, recited poetry and sang songs – all dedicated to Fr Glyn. In recognition of Fr Glyn's dedication to the school, Endeavour Academies Trust and the town, the assembly was also attended by Mr Latham, Endeavour Academies CEO, members of our Governing Board, Chris Cook, Mayor of Middlesbrough and Trevor Watson, JP DL, His Majesty's Deputy Lieutenant for North Yorkshire, and friend of Fr Glyn.

Fr Glyn will return for one final Christingle Assembly at the end of term.

## STARS of the WEEK

Congratulations to the following pupils who were awarded **Gumption Awards** in our Star of the Week Assemblies on Friday morning.

Nursery – Isabelle

Class 1 – Hollie

Class 2 – Lucas

Class 3 – Mina

Class 4 – Zahra

Class 5 – Shavez

Class 6 – Ophrah

Class 7 – Eden

Class 8 – Abdulhadi

Class 9 – Roman B

Class 10 – Yamen

Class 11 – Delsie

Class 12 – Bliss

Class 13 – Alfie C

Class 14 – Jessica

Class 15 – Emmie

Class 16 – Matteo R

Class 17 – Ayo

Class 18 – Kairun

**Congratulations to all the stars!**

Our school theme this week is 'I Learn'. Teachers will be looking to reward pupils in our Star of the Week Assemblies on Friday morning

The PE focus this week is **determination**. PE teachers will be looking to reward pupils in PE lessons this week.

## THANK YOU

We raised **£305.02** for Children in Need.

Thank you all for your contributions.



Archibald Primary School Safeguarding Leads: Mrs E Verheyen , Mrs A Jefferies





# Attendance & Punctuality



**GET IN THERE!**

SUPPORTING OUR PUPILS TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

School attendance Wb 24.11.25	<b>91.7%</b>
Class with the highest attendance wb 24.11.25:	<b>Class 7 99.3%</b>
Attendance for the school year to date:	<b>93.4%</b>

## Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2025-2026

Wb 24.11.25	week	*cum.
Class 1	96%	92.6%
Class 2	92.3%	95%
Class 3	92.4%	94.2%
Class 4	94.8%	92.7%
Class 5	88.1%	93.3%
Class 6	94.8%	94.1%
Class 7	99.3%	97.3%
Class 8	90%	94.3%
Class 9	60%	65.5%
Class 10	98.9%	88.9%
Class 11	95.2%	91.3%
Class 12	97.8%	94.6%
Class 13	81.7%	94.5%
Class 14	87.5%	92.9%
Class 15	76.8%	94.6%
Class 16	98.3%	93.9%
Class 17	87.9%	92.8%
Class 18	96.8%	96.3%

\*Cumulative from 2.9.25

<90%	90% +	96%+
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If you need help or support with getting your child into school on time, or with anything attendance related, please contact our Attendance Officer – Details below.

School Attendance Officer: **Mrs Lisa Davies**

School Attendance Champion: **Mr S Cowgill**

Attendance Hotline: ☎ **01642 804 101**  
option 1



## ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Each week all pupils with 100% attendance for the week are awarded an **Attendance Challenge Token** which they then place in our token jars. There is one token jar for EYFS, one for KS1 and one for KS2.

At the end of each half term, we choose tokens from each jar. Pupils who have their name drawn are able to choose prizes from the attendance prize box. Last week we had **312 pupils** with 100% attendance for the week. Each will receive a token to place in their token jar. Well done!

## Archibald Attendance Aces

Our Archibald Attendance Aces are pupils with 100% attendance for the term. At the end of the term all pupils who are Attendance Aces receive a special treat.

We currently have **94 pupils** in our Attendance Aces Club.

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

## Attendance Bands



<90%	<b>RED</b>
90%-96%	<b>AMBER</b>
96%+	<b>GREEN</b>

Last week (wb 24.11.25) we had a total of **214 pupils with improving attendance** (down from 228 the previous week). This figure includes 6 pupils whose attendance improved enough to move from amber attendance band to green attendance band and one pupil who moved from red attendance band to amber attendance band. Well done!

Unfortunately we have 94 pupils with a declining attendance trend, including moving from green to amber band or amber to red band.

Mrs Davies will be contacting the parents and carers of these pupils to offer support in helping them to help improve their child's attendance moving forward.

## END OF TERM

School will close at **1.30pm** on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December**  
School reopens on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

## Diary Dates

### THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 4th November**

Rhyme Time 9am @ KFC Foundation



**Wednesday 3rd December**

Class 2 Christmas Craft Parents and Carer Workshop 9.15am

**Thursday 4th December**

Class 1 Christmas Craft Parents and Carer Workshop 9.15am

**Friday 5th December**



**ECO SHOP**

open from 2pm

### NEXT WEEK

**Tuesday 9th December**

Rhyme Time **Christmas Celebration**

From 9am @ KFC Foundation

**Friday 5th December**



**ECO SHOP**

open from 2pm

This will be the final Eco Shop for 2025. Eco Shop will reopen on Friday 9th January 2026.

### COMING SOON

**Monday 15th December**

End of term Performances:

Y4 @ 2pm, Y5 @ 3.15pm

**Tuesday 16th December**

End of term Performances:

Y2 @ 9am, Y1 @ 10am. Y3 @ 2pm, Y6 @ 3.15pm

Nursery and preschool Christmas Family Day – Details to follow

**Wednesday 17th December**

End of term Performance:

Reception @ 9am

**Thursday 18th December**

Christmas lunch

Nursery and Pre-school Christmas Party Day

**Friday 19th December**

Christingle Assembly

Reception, KS1 and KS2 Christmas Party Day

– School closes 1:30pm –

**Monday 5th January 2026**


School opens for pupils 8.30am/8.35am

**Monday 19th January**

**NEW** Y3 Class 7 Swimming lessons at Borocuda – every afternoon for two weeks

### MIDDLESBROUGH SCHOOL MEALS

### LUNCH MENU THIS WEEK

Week 1	Main Course	Dessert
M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Baked Sausage with mashed potato</li><li>Pasta Bolognaise with crusty bread(V)</li></ul>	Apple sponge with custard
T	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chicken Curry and rice served with naan bread</li><li>Homemade pizza (V) with oven roasted wedges</li></ul>	Bakewell tart with custard
W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Roast Chicken and stuffing with garlic and herb potatoes</li><li>Omelettes with roasted potatoes (V)</li></ul>	Peach flapjack
Th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tomato wholegrain pasta bake with garlic bread (V)</li><li>Minced beef pie with boiled potatoes</li></ul>	Ice cream with fruit compote Fruit jelly
F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Quorn Cottage pie (V)</li><li>Salmon nugget or salmon fish finger and fish fingers with chips</li></ul>	Feathered sponge with custard
Available Daily	Jacket potato with choice of filling (cheese, tuna mayo) Daily Vegetable Selection Sliced Bread	Fresh Fruit Fruit Jelly Cheese & crackers
	Assorted fresh sandwiches and wraps Fresh salad bar options	
<div></div> <p><i>All meals are freshly cooked on the premises each day. Menu subject to change depending upon supplies and deliveries.</i> <b>Did you know?...</b> Our lunch menu rotates on a three-week cycle You can check out the full menu on our school website. Click <a href="#">HERE</a></p>		

### MIDDLESBROUGH SCHOOL MEALS

### Middlesbrough Council Catering Christmas Lunch Menu

MAIN	Roast Turkey and Stuffing Quorn chicken fillet and stuffing (V) Quiche (V) Roast and Mashed Potato Sprouts, Peas, and Carrots, Cauliflower Cheese Yorkshire Pudding & Homemade Gravy
DESSERT	Christmas Pudding Chocolate Butter Iced Sponge Cake Trifle Christmas Shortbread Biscuit

Christmas Lunch will be served on Thursday 18th December.

If your child usually brings a packed lunch and would like a dinner on this day, these can be ordered from the school office. The cost per meal is £2.40.

If your child is entitled to free school meals there is no charge but meals will still need to be ordered.

In order for our school cook to place orders in time, all meals must be ordered by Friday 5th December.





## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Events held at Newport Community Hub



# ATTENTION

### COMMUNITY SAFETY DROP IN

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025  
Newport Community Hub  
St Paul's Road  
TS1 5NQ  
1.30pm-3.00pm

Please come along to meet and talk to:

Middlesbrough Council staff  
Thirteen  
Cleveland Police  
Cleveland Fire Brigade  
Safer Communities

**Safety equipment will be available.**



## CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
12pm-4pm  
Newport Community Hub  
St. Paul's Road  
Middlesbrough  
TS1 5NQ

Free activities include bouncy castles, face painting,  
wreath making, henna hand painting and more!

For enquires please call either 01642 802892 or  
email  
[newportcommunityevents@middlesbrough.gov.uk](mailto:newportcommunityevents@middlesbrough.gov.uk)

Please join us at 4.30pm for the Union  
Street Christmas lights switch on



## Middlesbrough Council Primary School Admissions Reception Intake September 2026

Children start primary school full-time in the academic year in which they turn 5 years of age. The first class they attend is called Reception class.

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022, they will start primary school Reception class in September 2026.

You can apply for a primary school Reception place online using the Middlesbrough Council Citizen Portal. Click [HERE](#) to access the Middlesbrough Council Citizen Portal.

The website is open for applications between 14 November 2025 and 15 January 2026. You can find out more in the timetable below.

**Your child won't automatically be given a school place - you have to apply.**

In November 2025, Middlesbrough Council will send you an application pack by post, which will tell you how to apply.

If you do not get an application pack, please contact the school admissions team.

Emily Green - Admissions Officer (starting primary school) Phone: 01642 726518

**It's your responsibility as a parent or guardian to apply for a school place at the right time.**

### Timetable for Primary School Admissions September 2026 intake

14 November 2025	Application packs sent to parents with details of how to apply. Online applications open.
15 January 2026	Closing date for online and paper applications. Closing date for applications to defer entry to Reception for one year.
16 April 2026	Letters and emails sent to inform parents of their child's school place. Letters are sent by 2nd Class post.
June and July 2026	Appeals heard by independent panels.

If you need support to access the admissions procedures or complete the forms, please contact the school office in the first instance.

If English is not your first language our admin team can put you in touch with support from Middlesbrough EMAT team.

