

Archibald News

Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



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Believe and Achieve



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WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY 2025



Thank you to everyone who joined in 'Hello Yellow' day on Friday 10th October by wearing something yellow to raise the profile and awareness of mental health.

Triangulation Meetings Continue This Week

Our class teachers are looking forward to meeting all their pupils with their parents/carers at these meetings.

It is a great opportunity for parents and carers to see their child's classroom and find out about what and how they will be learning in their new year group

Meetings will continue after school this week.

You should have received an invitation to attend from the class teacher. If you are unable to make your allocated time, please contact the school office so an alternative mutually convenient time can be arranged.

For safeguarding reasons, please enter and leave the school building through the main entrance.

During our Triangulation Meetings we will be conducting a survey of parents and carers to find out what you like about our school and what you think could be improved.

There will be a special prize draw for all returned questionnaires with the opportunity to win a great prize. For a chance to win please ensure all questionnaires are returned to school by 23rd October.

STARS of the WEEK

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

Class 1 – Arez
Class 2 – Amilah
Class 3 – Ronnie
Class 4 – Hikela
Class 5 - Noah
Class 6 – Rio
Class 7 – Ilinca
Class 8 – Riley
Class 9 – Henley
Class 10 – Rebeca
Class 11 – Rebeca
Class 12 – Zyva
Class 13 - Chris
Class 14 – Layton
Class 15 – Klayton
Class 16 – Hanaw
Class 17 – Rawa
Class 18 - Finn

Congratulations to all the stars!

Our school theme this week relates to all the **Five Golden Rules**. 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.

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 6.10.25	94.5%
Class with the highest attendance wb 6.10.25:	Class 15 99.6%
Attendance for the school year to date:	94.2%

Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2025-2026

Wb 6.10.25	week	*cum.
Class 1	86.3%	92.2%
Class 2	94.2%	96.3%
Class 3	97%	95.9%
Class 4	98.3%	96.4%
Class 5	98.5%	94.1%
Class 6	95.7%	96.4%
Class 7	98.9%	97.3%
Class 8	95.5%	93.7%
Class 9	70%	67.6%
Class 10	81.7%	81%
Class 11	88.2%	92.1%
Class 12	93.9%	93.8%
Class 13	98.3%	95.1%
Class 14	95.2%	96%
Class 15	99.6%	97.1%
Class 16	98.2%	92.3%
Class 17	85%	92.8%
Class 18	98.2%	97.1%

*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 awarded **337** Attendance Challenge tokens to pupils with 100% attendance for the week – that's 1 more than the previous week – well done!

Archibald Attendance Aces

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

We currently have **191 pupils** in our Attendance Aces Club.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance Bands



<90%	RED
90%-96%	AMBER
96%+	GREEN

Last week (wb 6.10.25) we had a total of **145 pupils with improving attendance** (up from 131 the previous week). This figure includes 51 pupils whose attendance improved enough to move from amber attendance band to green attendance band and three pupils who moved from red attendance band to amber attendance band. Well done!

Unfortunately we have 53 pupils with a declining attendance trend, including moving from green to amber or red band or from 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.

Diary Dates

THIS WEEK

Monday 13th October

Year 5/6 Middlesbrough Schools Girls
Tag Rugby Event at Middlesbrough
Sports Village Astro pitch.

Triangulation Meetings Week 2

Tuesday 14th October

Year 5/6 Middlesbrough Schools Boys
Tag Rugby Event at Middlesbrough
Sports Village Astro pitch
Rhyme Time 8.45am



Wednesday 15th October

Y4 visit to Danelaw

Thursday 16th October

Class 18 visit to Heugh Battery,
Hartlepool

Friday 17th October



ECO SHOP

open from 2.15pm

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 21st October

Rhyme Time 8.45am



Nursery Diwali Celebrations at
10:30am and repeated at 2pm

Wednesday 22nd October

Class 13 visit to Heugh Battery, H/pool

Thursday 23rd October

Class 16/17 visit to Heugh Battery, H/pool

**School closes to pupils for
half term holiday**

Friday 24th October

PD day 2 – School closed to pupils

COMING SOON

Wb Monday 27th October

Half Term Holiday – School closed

Monday 3rd November

PD day 3 – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 4th November

School re-opens for pupils

Special Week - Why do we Remember?

Friday 14th November

BBC Children in Need 2025 – Details to follow

Friday 19th December

End of term – School closes 1:30pm

Please keep a look out on the weekly newsletter for further dates of planned events in school. We aim to give you as much notice as possible. Please be aware that these dates and times are provisional and are subject to change.

MIDDLESBROUGH SCHOOL MEALS

LUNCH MENU THIS WEEK

Week 1	Main Course	Dessert
M	- Baked Sausage with mashed potato - Pasta Bolognaise with crusty bread(V)	Apple sponge with custard
T	- Chicken Curry and rice served with naan bread - Homemade pizza (V) with oven roasted wedges	Bakewell tart with custard
W	- Roast Chicken and stuffing with garlic and herb potatoes - Omelettes with roasted potatoes (V)	Peach flapjack
Th	- Tomato wholegrain pasta bake with garlic bread (V) - Minced beef pie with boiled potatoes	Ice cream with fruit compote Fruit jelly
F	- Quorn Cottage pie (V) - Salmon nugget or salmon fish finger and fish fingers with chips	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	



*All meals are freshly cooked on the premises each day.
Menu subject to change depending upon supplies and deliveries.
Did you know?... Our lunch menu rotates on a three-week cycle
You can check out the full menu on our school website. Click [HERE](#)*



FOCUS ON SCIENCE

Y6 science lessons are tiring us out last week!

The children have been learning about pulse rates and how exercise can cause it to increase.

They have been jogging on the spot for different lengths of time and monitoring how their pulse rate is affected.



Pineapple Black Art Space Workshop

Class 16 visited Pineapple Black art space in the town centre recently.

Our Y6 pupils have been working, in school, with the creators of Story and Studio to create poems about living in Middlesbrough. They also designed jigsaw pieces that created a large picture representing communities with in the town.



Class 16 got to see the finished picture and had a fantastic afternoon in the art space doing lots of art activities: designing a tote bag, practising being a DJ, creating a mini comic book and drawing on the graffiti wall!



YOUNGMINDS

YoungMinds is a UK leading charity fighting for a world where no young person feels alone in their mental health.

Thank you to everyone who joined in 'Hello Yellow' day on Friday 10th October by wearing something yellow to raise the profile and awareness of mental health.

YoungMinds support parents and carers who are concerned about their child or young person's mental health. They offer tailored information, advice and support to parents and carers who are concerned about their child or young person's mental health. You can speak to them over the phone, or chat to them online.

You can use the Helpline service if you are the parent or main carer of a child or young person aged 25 or under. The service is available across the UK. It is free and confidential.

**Call the Parents Helpline for free
0808 802 5544.**

Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays	9.30am - 4pm
Tuesdays and Wednesdays	9.30am - 6pm

To chat online, click on the chat icon in the bottom righthand corner of the YoungMinds Parent Helpline page available [HERE](#) your screen. The chat is open Monday to Friday, 9.30am - 4pm.

When the online chat is closed, you can leave a message by clicking on the chat icon in the bottom righthand corner of the Parent Helpline page and receive a reply in 3-5 working days.

YOUNGMINDS

Autumn in Nursery

The cooler weather has arrived, and the nights are getting darker earlier...

Our Nursery Classes have been looking at autumn and have had fun with lots of crafts and stories about this season.



Y2 Visit to Stewart Park

Class 5 and Class 6 had a lovely day at Stewart Park visiting the Captain Cook Birthplace Museum to deepen their knowledge of Captain Cook, his life as part of their history work.



Thank you to all the parent volunteers who accompanied the children and made this visit possible.

Class 9 Visit to Middlesbrough Library

On Friday 10th October, Class 9 and their parents visited the recently reopened Middlesbrough Library.



They used maps from the archives to explore the history and changing geography of their community, looked at primary sources and explored the newly refurbished children's area. To conclude their visit, they each joined up to be a library member.



HALF TERM HOLIDAY ACTIVITY



AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FROM KFC YOUTH FOUNDATION

Ever thought about starting your own podcast? Now's your chance to make it happen—and win a trip to KISS FM studios in London! 🎧

We're super excited to invite you to **MicDrop**, a FREE podcast training event happening this October, where you'll get to learn from the best—Bauer Academy, part of **KISS FM**. Whether you're into music, culture, or just want to start chatting about things you care about, this is the perfect opportunity to kickstart your podcast journey!

Here's the scoop:

- 🎧 **FREE Podcast Training** – Get hands-on coaching from Bauer Academy's top trainers.
- 🎤 **Create Your Own Podcast** – After the training, you'll get the chance to enter a podcast competition with your own show.
- 🌟 **Win an All-Expenses-Paid Trip to London** – The winner gets to visit KISS FM Studios for a behind-the-scenes experience!
- 🤝 **Meet Tyler West** – Yup, you'll be meeting Tyler West, and trust us, you don't want to miss that!

NEW DATES & DETAILS ADDED:

- 📅 **Launch:** 27th October — this will be at the KFC Foundation Hub in Meath Street, Middlesbrough, where you'll meet **Tyler West**.
- ☑️ **Training:** 28th, 29th, and 30th October — these are the days for the full training sessions.

MicDrop is all about giving you the skills, the stage, and the chance to make your voice heard. Don't miss out—this could be the start of something huge!

Sign up now and be part of this epic event: <https://forms.office.com/e/FxZCjUMNyQ>

We can't wait to hear your ideas, and who knows? You might be the one to walk away with that London trip!

HALF TERM HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**NEW FOR
HALF TERM!**

FREE holiday activities for children and young people in Middlesbrough.

Support for your family

There's free activities, days out and food for local children this month.

New for the half term holidays – Bring It On Boro, our Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme has lots of on offer for Middlesbrough's young people.

If your child is aged between 5 – 16, these are some of the fun sessions they can try:

- Jamming to their favourite song in a **band**
- Mastering the perfect manicure at a **hair and beauty class**
- Shooting some **basketball** hoops with their mates
- Creating a masterpiece at a **creative session**
- Throwing some shapes at a **Halloween party**

Every child can also enjoy a tasty meal at every session.

Bring It On Boro takes place between **Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October**.

Places go fast, click the link [HERE](#) to book if your child is in receipt of income related free school meals.

Email holidayfoodandactivities@middlesbrough.gov.uk or call **01642 728888** if your child doesn't get free school meals and would like to take part.

The programme is funded by the Department for Education.

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