Archibald News

Archibald Primary School – "Believe and Achieve"

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Today marks the start of national Anti-bullying Week, and we are marking this with our annual **odd socks day**. Pupils are encouraged to come to school wearing odd socks to help celebrate. Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity for children to express themselves and celebrate their uniqueness. There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All children have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school, it couldn't be simpler!



'I Learn'

Our whole school theme this week is 'I Learn' – the fourth of our MAGIC Attributes. This week teachers will be looking to reward pupils who demonstrate all the different ways in which they can learn – know more and remember more - throughout the curriculum. Throughout school we use many different strategies to help pupils with their learning, for example the way lessons are structured – connect, construct, demonstrate and consolidate – as well as the various strategies used within each part of the lesson (for example the use of whiteboards, iPads or talk partners).

STARS of the Week

Congratulations to the following pupils who were awarded **Gumption Awards** last Friday.

Class 1 -	Cole
Class 2 -	Hassan
Class 3 -	Shiraz
Class 4 -	Robert
Class 5 -	Lottie
Class 6 -	Ava
Class 7 -	Zach
Class 8 -	Noah
Class 9 -	Shyanne
Class 11 -	Isabelle
Class 12 -	Arlo
Class 13 -	Mina
Class 14 -	Mohid
Class 15 -	Amelia
Class 16 -	Toby
Class 17 -	Angel-May
Class 18 -	Muhammad

Deputy Headteacher Award:
Isabella – Class 7

Headteacher Award:
Linisha – Class 15

Congratulations to all the stars!

Our whole school theme this week is:-
'I Learn'

Our PE theme this week is **Self belief** - PE teachers will be awarding certificates in PE lessons throughout the week.

Archibald Primary School Safeguarding Leads: Mrs E Verheyen , Mrs C Hill, Mr S Cowgill

Attendance Dashboard

ARCHIBALD PRIMARY SCHOOL GET IN THERE!
SUPPORTING OUR PUPILS TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

School attendance Wb 9.11.26	**96.3%**
Class with the highest attendance wb 9.11.26:	Class 4 100%
Attendance for the school year 2026-27:	**94.8%**

Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2026-2027

wb 9.11.26	week	*cum.
Class 1	91.4%	91.9%
Class 2	93.3%	93.7%
Class 3	94%	89.9%
Class 4	100%	96.2%
Class 5	96.6%	93.2%
Class 6	98.6%	96.6%
Class 7	99.3%	96.6%
Class 8	96.8%	93.2%
Class 9	94.4%	89.4%
Class 11	96.1%	97.3%
Class 12	97.1%	97.5%
Class 13	89.7%	92.3%
Class 14	97.7%	96.1%
Class 15	98.8%	96.2%
Class 16	93.1%	94.4%
Class 17	95.6%	95.3%
Class 18	97.2%	94.8%

*Cumulative from 3.9.26

<90%	90% +	96%+

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

We expect all our pupils to attend school on time every day.
Each week all pupils with 100% attendance for the week are awarded an **Attendance Challenge Token** which they then placed in our token jars. There is one token jar for EYFS, one for KS1 and one for KS2.
Last week (wb 9.11.26) we had **350 pupils with 100% attendance** who will each receive an Attendance Challenge token. This is fantastic!
At the end of the half term, we will draw tokens out of each jar, and each pupil who has a token drawn will receive a special attendance prize.
Pupils with more tokens in the jar standa better chance of winning a prize.

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Archibald Attendance Aces

Our Archibald Attendance Aces are pupils in the green attendance band at the end of the term (Attendance at 96% or above). This gives pupils who have attendance which may have slipped through an odd day of illness an opportunity to build their attendance back up to get the reward. At the end of this term all pupils who are Attendance Aces receive a special treat. **We currently have 236 Attendance Aces**.



Our school expectations for attendance are very clear.
We expect all our pupils to attend school on time every day unless they are too ill to do so.
It is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that this happens.
Please be aware that failure to ensure that your child attends school regularly can result in referrals to Middlesbrough Council who will issue fixed penalty notices.
The first penalty notice is **£160 if paid within 28 days**, reduced to **£80 if paid within 21 days**
If a parent receives a second notice for the same child, the penalty notice will be **£160 to be paid within 28 days**
A third penalty notice cannot be issued, and court action will be taken instead.

As a school we can support you if you need support. Please ask if you need help or support.

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

Diary Dates

THIS WEEK

Monday 16th November
Anti-bullying Week – Break the Silence
We will once again launch Anti-bullying week with **Odd Socks Day!** Come to school I odd socks to help raise the profile of Anti Bullying Week.

Tuesday 17th November
Rhyme Time for 0-2+ years

Rhyme Time
FOR PARENTS OR CAREERS WITH CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO 2 YEARS

Friday 20th November
Archibald ECO SHOP
open from 2pm

ECOSHOP

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 24th November
Rhyme Time for 0-2+ years

Rhyme Time
FOR PARENTS OR CAREERS WITH CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO 2 YEARS

Friday 27th November
Archibald ECO SHOP
open from 2pm

ECOSHOP

COMING SOON

Monday 7th December
NEW Y4 visit to St Martin's Church – Big Kids Experience Christmas Event

Thursday 10th December
Christmas Jumper Day 2026
NEW Christmas Lunch

Monday 14th December
NEW Y4 End of term performance 2pm
NEW Y6 End of term performance 3.15pm

Tuesday 15th December
NEW Y2 End of term performance 9am
NEW Y1 End of term performance 10am
NEW Y3 End of term performance 2pm
NEW Y5 End of term performance 3.15pm

Wednesday 16th December
EYFS Christmas Family Day 2026 – Details to Follow

Friday 18th December
NEW Christingle Assemblies with Rev Sam Tyndall
End of term – **School closes 1:30pm**

SPRING TERM 2027

Monday 4th January 2027
School opens for Spring Term 2027

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.

UPDATE: GOOD NEWS! Full choice of sandwiches and wraps are once again available every day* – cheese, egg, tuna, ham. *subject to availability

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU This week is WEEK 3

Middlesbrough School meals

Primary school 3 Week menu cycle

Nutritious, balanced and freshly prepared meals your children will love.

Middlesbrough moving forward

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
WEEK 1	Homemade pizza with oven baked wedges OR Quorn meatballs in tomato sauce with pasta	Roast chicken, stuffing and Yorkshire pudding with mashed potato OR Macaroni Cheese	Beef and veg stew with dumplings and mashed potato OR Popeye veggie lasagne	Chicken curry with 50/50 rice OR Quorn cottage pie	Fish fingers with chips OR Omelette with chips	
	Sweetcorn, Carrot and Peas	Broccoli, Swede and Sweetcorn	Seasonal veg selection	Cauliflower and Green Beans	Peas and Beans	
	Pear crumble with custard	Chocolate and beetroot brownie	Banana muffin	Oaty biscuit	Marble sponge with chocolate custard	
	Watermelon topped pizza	Strawberry Greek yoghurt	Banana muffin	Vanilla rice pudding with pears	Crackers and cheese	EYFS
WEEK 2	Pizza wrap with oven baked wedges OR Cheese and broccoli quiche	BBQ chicken with baby boiled potatoes OR Veggie taco's	Cottage pie OR Quorn sausage and mash	Chicken tikka with 50/50 rice OR Cheese roll with mashed potato	Salmon fishcake OR Fish fingers with chips OR Quorn tomato pasta	
	Sweetcorn, Broccoli and Carrots	Corn on the cob and Peas	Seasonal veg selection	Peas and Baby Carrots	Peas and Beans	
	Peach flapjack	Carrot cake	Chocolate fudge cake with oranges	Viennese biscuit	Iced lemon sponge	
	Banana oat bread	Peach smoothie	Apple and oat muffin	Cheese and cracker	Banana ice cream	EYFS
WEEK 3	Pizza pinwheels with oven baked wedges OR Quorn bolognaise pasta bake	Beef lasagne with baby boiled potatoes OR Quorn chicken casserole	Toad in the hole with mashed potato OR Chicken Curry with 50/50 rice OR	Chicken and vegetable pie with baby boiled potatoes OR Quorn burger in a bun	Fish portion with chips OR Tomato pasta	
	Sweetcorn, Broccoli and Green Beans	Peas and Corn on the cob	Jacket with cheese	Cabbage, Swede and Carrots	Peas and Beans	
	Pear sponge with custard	Sticky toffee pudding	Seasonal veg selection	Jam and coconut sponge and custard	Fruit jelly with ice cream	
	Peach Greek yoghurt	Bake blueberry cheesecake	Rice pudding with peaches OR cheesecake	Crackers and cheese	Banana and custard	EYFS
			Banana rice pudding			

FRESH FRUIT & SALAD BAR

- Fresh seasonal fruit selection and yoghurts
- Crisp salad bar including lettuce, cucumber, tomatoes, sweetcorn and grated carrot
- A selection of bread
- Drinking water and milk available daily

Please note: Items may vary depending on Seasonal availability

Menu term dates

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
October 5th	October 12th	October 19th
November 2nd 23rd	November 9th 30th	November 16th
December 14th	January 4th 25th	December 7th
January 18th		January 11th
February 8th		February 1st

Theme days will be catered for throughout the year and will be agreed with the school.

If your child has any allergies or dietary requirements Please contact the school office.

Sandwiches and Jacket Potato choice – These options will be available daily as follows -

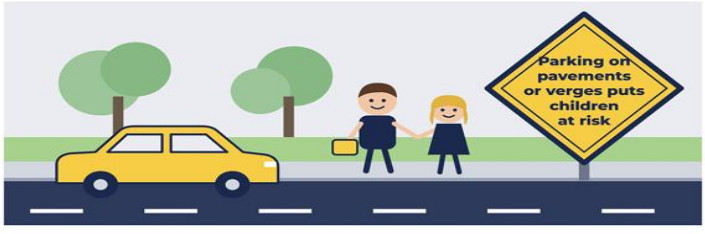
Jacket potato with a choice of fillings – Cheese or tuna

Sandwiches and wraps with a selection of fillings including Cheese, Tuna, Egg or Ham

A MESSAGE FOR ALL ARCHIBALD FAMILIES

Safer School Parking

Where you park matters



Please don't park

- On pavements or grass verges
- On the yellow zig-zag "School Keep Clear" markings
- Across residents' driveways
- On double yellow lines or close to junctions

Please do

- Park legally and walk the last few minutes
- Walk, scoot or cycle to school when you can
- Drop off away from the school gates
- Set a safe example — children copy what we do

Every Archibald child deserves a safe journey to and from school. Thank you for parking considerately.

KS2 SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS



Last week our KS2 pupils attended Sport Hall Athletics competitions at Eston Sports Centre. Y5 and Y6 attended on Monday and Y3 and Y4 attended on Tuesday.







All the pupils who attended had a great time competing against the pupils from other Middlesbrough schools. Sports competitions will pick-up again in the Spring Term.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ARCHIBALD

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED



THANK YOU

Thank you to all the pupils, parents, carers and staff who supported our Children in Need Dress-up-day on Friday.
Over £250 raised for Children in Need 😊. Well done everyone!

Y3 HAPPY MINDS CLUB

The Y3 Happy Minds Wellbeing Club started last week. The children took part in a calming guided imagery activity, using their imaginations to explore their own special happy place. They then sketched their happy places onto bookmarks, thinking carefully about the things that make them feel calm, safe and happy.





Next week, they will use watercolours to bring our beautiful bookmarks to life!

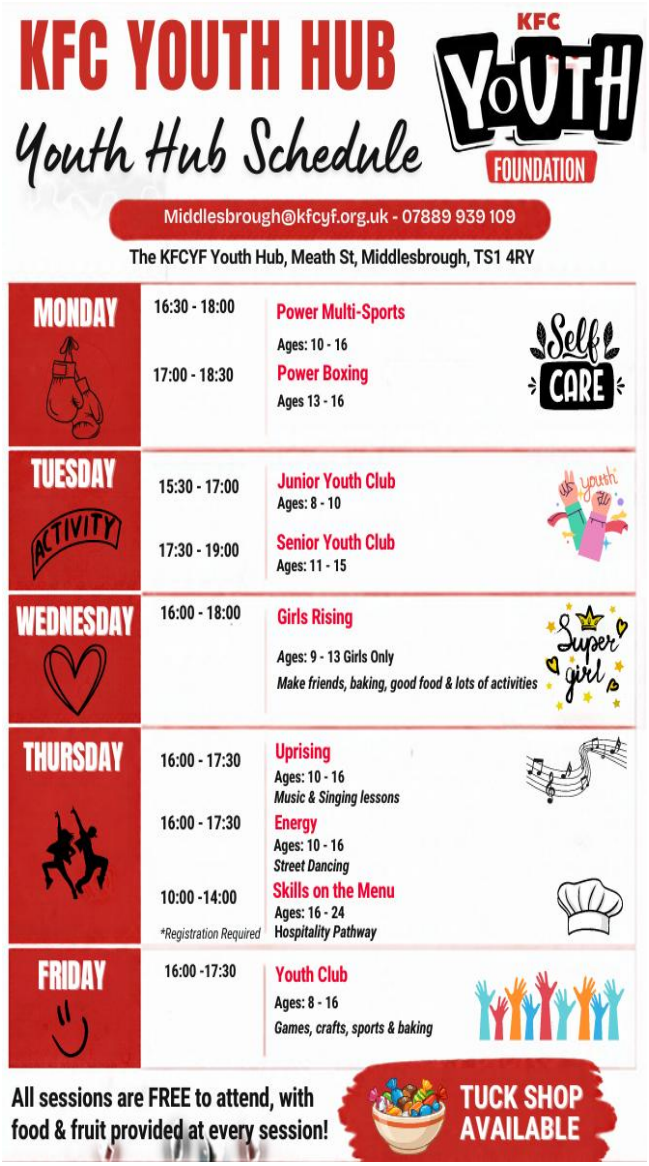
Information from our Community Partners

NEWPORT COMMUNITY HUB



We would like to invite Middlesbrough North residents to a Christmas film showing on Thursday November 26th 2026. The film will start at 3.30pm. Booking is essential.
Please call 01642 802892, email newportcommunityevents@middlesbrough.gov.uk or pop in to book places.
There will be refreshments (drinks) available on the afternoon.

KFC YOUTH FOUNDATION



Y5 BIG KIDS WORKSHOP

Pupils in Classes 13, 14 and 15 thoroughly enjoyed their art workshop last week! They spent the afternoon exploring a range of Christmas carols before choosing one to inspire their own artwork.
They used a variety of materials, including markers, oil pastels and coloured pencils, to bring their chosen carol to life through drawing. We were so impressed with their creativity and the fantastic artwork they produced.







PRIMARY FUTURES CAREERS EDUCATION



Some of our KS2 pupils took part in an online workshop from Primary Futures. They heard from experts in advanced engineering and learnt how skills and subjects they learn at school are essential for future careers. They heard all about the roles of a project manager, a researcher for the company Dyson and a sales manager in the aerospace industry!

FAMILY WORKSHOP Y3 Prehistoric Pots





A big than you to all the parents and carers who joined the Y3 Prehistoric pots workshops last week.



ARCHIBALD PRIMARY SCHOOL – TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2026-2027

	AUGUST 2026						SEPTEMBER 2026					OCTOBER 2026					NOVEMBER 2026					DECEMBER 2026					JANUARY 2027				
Monday		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
Thursday		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Friday		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	20
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31

	FEBRUARY 2027						MARCH 2027					APRIL 2027					MAY 2027					JUNE 2027					JULY 2027				
Monday	1	8	15	22			1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26
Tuesday	2	9	16	23			2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27
Wednesday	3	10	17	24			3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28
Thursday	4	11	18	25			4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29
Friday	5	12	19	26			5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30
Saturday	6	13	20	27			6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
Sunday	7	14	21	28			7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	

Bank Holiday
School Holiday
PD Days – School is closed to pupils on these dates: Tuesday 1st September 2026 Wednesday 2nd September 2026 Friday 23rd October 2026 Monday 2nd November 2026 Wednesday 21st July 2027

Keep upto date with all the great things going on in school on social media:

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Visit our school website: **archibaldpri.org.uk**



Helmets on!

Ride, scoot, learn, grow.

A helmet helps keep your brain safe — protect today for a bright tomorrow.

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