

Archibald News

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Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



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DEMOCRACY WEEK 2026

Last week was our Democracy Week.

In addition to learning about many aspects of democracy, pupils in Reception to Y5 participated in our annual School Council Elections.

Supported by existing members of our School Council and guided by Miss Dodsworth and Mrs Stonebanks, pupils voted for who they would like to represent them on our School Council next year.

Each candidate produced a poster and a short information video to share their thoughts and ideas to persuade voters to vote for them.

The successful candidates were announced in our Democracy Week Assembly last Friday morning.



ARCHIBALD PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL COUNCIL 2026-2027

Current Y2 to be Y3 representatives:

**Connor
Rio**

Current Y3 to be Y4 representatives:

**Receca
Isabelle**

Current Y4 to be Y5 representatives:

**Bliss
Delaney**

Current Y5 to be Y6 representatives:

**Jasmine
Vinnie**

Holiday Reminders:

School will be closed for the half term holiday from Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May. School reopens on Monday 1st June. The final day of term for pupils is Friday 17th July 2026.

Pupils return for Autumn Term 2026 on Thursday 3rd September 2026.

It is very important that all pupils are in school on the first day of term unless they are too ill to attend.

If you are going overseas for the summer, please ensure that you are back in the UK in time for the start of term.

Pupils who miss the start of the term take longer to settle back into school and this impacts negatively on their progress. Pupils who miss the first day or days of term can take up to three weeks with no further absence to be back at 96% attendance.

Leave of Absence

Please remember you must complete a Leave of Absence Form for any planned absences.

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





Attendance Dashboard



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| School attendance Wb 11.5.26 | 93.6% |
| Class with the highest attendance wb 11.5.26: | Class 17 100% |
| Attendance for the school year to date: | 93.4% |

Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2025-2026

| Wb 11.5.26 | week | *cum. |
|------------|-------|-------|
| Class 1 | 91.8% | 92.6% |
| Class 2 | 97.2% | 93.5% |
| Class 3 | 97.2% | 93.5% |
| Class 4 | 94.5% | 92.5% |
| Class 5 | 91.1% | 93.8% |
| Class 6 | 94.1% | 95% |
| Class 7 | 98.2% | 96.6% |
| Class 8 | 94.8% | 94.8% |
| Class 9 | 65% | 73.2% |
| Class 10 | 86.1% | 92.2% |
| Class 11 | 86.2% | 92.3% |
| Class 12 | 93.1% | 94.3% |
| Class 13 | 90% | 92.8% |
| Class 14 | 90% | 93.2% |
| Class 15 | 97.1% | 95.5% |
| Class 16 | 98.5% | 95.2% |
| Class 17 | 100% | 91.5% |
| Class 18 | 98.9% | 95% |

*Cumulative from 2.9.25

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|------|-------|------|
| <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**
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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 place in our token jars.

There is one token jar for EYFS, one for KS1 and one for KS2.

Last week (wb 11.5.26) we had **332 pupils with 100% attendance** - a total which equates to 78% of our school and could be better. – keep trying hard with attendance.

Archibald Attendance Aces

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

We currently have **217 Archibald Attendance Aces** - pupils with 100% attendance for this term.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

If your child is too ill to attend school, **you** should be contacting school to let us know. You can do this by telephone, email or message on SeeSaw.

If you do not contact us, we will try to contact you. All calls are logged. Please answer the telephone if you are called by the school number, or receive a voicemail message. It is very important that we know where pupils are if they are not in school.

Helpful Hints for Top Attendance

- Unless they are too ill to attend school, **all pupils should be in school, on time every day.**
- Whenever possible **medical appointments should be made outside of school times.** If a pupil has a medical appointment in school time you should provide the school with evidence. There is no need to stay off school all day for a medical appointment. If possible, your child should come into school at the start of the day to get an attendance mark for the morning session, and then return to school after their appointment.
- **Pupils should not stay off school on their birthday.**
- **A leave of absence form must be completed for holidays.** The school cannot authorise holidays in term time – such absences will be classified as unauthorised.
- **Our Attendance officer is here to help.** If you are struggling to get your child/ren to school on time, please contact school.



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

Diary Dates

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 19th May

Rhyme Time at KFC Foundation 9am



Friday 22nd May

NEW Y5 visit to Life Centre, Newcastle.



ECO SHOP

open from 2pm

School Closes for half term holiday
3:00pm/3:05pm

NEXT WEEK

HALF TERM – School closed

COMING SOON

Monday 1st June

School reopens – Summer Term 2

Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (2 weeks)

Monday 8th June

Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (week 2)

KS1 Phonics Screening Check Week

Y3/4 boys plate cricket - Marton Cricket Club.

Tuesday 9th June

UPDATED Y5 Class 15 visit to Roseberry Topping

Monday 15th June

Y1/2 Quad Kids Athletics and Y3/4 Quad Kids Athletics at Middlesbrough Sports Village

Tuesday 16th June

Y5/6 Athletics Championship at Middlesbrough Sports village

UPDATED Y5 Classes 13/14 visit to Roseberry Topping

Wednesday 17th June

KS2 Athletics festival - Middlesbrough Sports Village.

Monday 29th June

Health and Fitness week – including Archibald Sports Days. Details to follow

Tuesday 30th June

Y4, Y5 and Y6 visit to see High School Musical at Macmillan Academy

Wednesday 1st July

Y4 Carlton Adventure (until 3.7.26)

Monday 7th July

Transition Week including 'Meet the teacher' Events – details to follow

Monday 13th July

Summer Term Progress Reports sent out.


Friday 17th July

Star of the Year Assemblies

End of Term – School Closes for pupils

MIDDLESBROUGH SCHOOL MEALS

LUNCH MENU THIS WEEK

| Week 2 | Main Course | Dessert |
|--|--|---|
| M | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chicken Alfredo Pizza wrap (V) served with oven roasted wedges | Steamed Eves pudding and custard |
| T | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homemade Cottage pie Quorn burger In a bun (V) with roasted potatoes | Jam shortbread fingers |
| W | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toad in the hole served with mashed potato Macaroni cheese served with crusty bread (V) | Beetroot chocolate brownie |
| Th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minced beef and Dumplings served with mashed potato Curry and rice (V) served with naan bread | Pear crumble and custard |
| F | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Battered fish or Fish portion and chips Cheese and Tomato crustless Quiche (V) | Homemade biscuits |
| Available Daily | Daily Vegetable Selection Sliced Bread | Fresh Fruit Fruit Jelly Cheese & crackers |
| | Assorted fresh sandwiches and wraps Fresh salad bar options | |
|  | <p><i>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</i></p> | |



Our annual Health and Fitness Week will take place this year between Monday 29th June and Friday 3rd July.

Throughout all pupils will participate in a range of specially planned health and fitness related activities aimed at promoting a healthy, active lifestyle.

As part of the week each year group will be holding a 'Sports Day' at the following times:

| Year Group | Date | Time |
|------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| Reception | Friday 3 rd July | 1:45pm |
| Year 1 | Wednesday 1 st July | 9.15am |
| Year 2 | Tuesday 30 th June | 9:15am |
| Year 3 | Wednesday 1 st July | 1:30pm |
| Year 4 | Monday 29 th June | 1:30pm |
| Year 5 | Thursday 2 nd July | 1:45pm |
| Year 6 | Thursday 2 nd July | 9:30am |

As in previous years parents and carers are invited to attend the sports day sessions at the designated times. Please enter and leave the school site through the Barnaby Avenue gates. Please be aware that if the weather is bad the events may be postponed or cancelled

Y6 3D ARTWORK



Y6 pupils have created a piece of 3D artwork inspired by an environmental message. As part of their work based on 'Recycle, Reuse and Repurpose', Class 18 used recycled materials to create turtles! Their task has highlighted how human behaviour is impacting the lives of sea life.



NURSERY PLACES SEPTEMBER 2026

Places are still available in our Nursery setting for children who have a DOB on or before 31.08.2023.

We have morning, afternoon and a limited number of 30-hour spaces available.

If you wish your child to attend, please call or drop in to our school office for more information.



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



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CLASS 10 'Speak Out, Stay Safe'

Children in Class 10 took part in a special virtual assembly from the NSPCC - 'Speak Out, Stay Safe'. The children learned about different forms of abuse, how to recognise unsafe situations, and who they can speak to if they need help or support.

NSPCC

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

INFORMATION FROM NEWPORT COMMUNITY HUB



LIVE IT MAY HALF -TERM FUN

HOLIDAY CAMPS

WHERE?
West Middlesbrough Family Hub,
Middlesbrough TS5 4JS

WHEN?
28th & 29th May | 12:30-4:30pm

WHAT'S ON?
Sports & team games
Inflatables & archery
Face painting
Arts & crafts
Cooking activities
Lunch included

WHO CAN COME?
Children aged 5-11
HAF eligible families
Inclusive activities for all abilities

HOW TO BOOK?
FREE for eligible HAF families.
Paid options available
Book now or check eligibility
using the QR code or just
google us.



GOOGLE: 'LIVE IT EEQU'

TEAM@LIVEITANDGETACTIVE.CO.UK WWW.LIVEITANDGETACTIVE.CO.UK

Please see the flier above for the upcoming **May Half-Term HAF Holiday Camp** taking place at **West Middlesbrough Family Hub** (attached to Whinny banks primary) on the 28th and 29th May from 12:30am-4:30pm.

The programme will include a range of engaging activities for children, including:

- Sports and team games
- Inflatables
- Clay modelling
- Lego club
- Boxing activities
- Cooking workshops
- Face painting

Breakfast and a hot meal will also be provided as part of the provision.

<https://eequ.org/book/west-middlesbrough-family-hub-may-haf-fun-with-live-it-and-get-active-cic-22833> - BOOKINGS OPEN NOW!

If you require any additional information, please feel free to get in touch.

team@liveitandgetactive.co.uk



FIRST AID

- A basic understanding of family First Aid.
- Understanding the importance of staying calm under pressure.
- Understanding the correct ways to respond when faced with an incident.

Date: 22nd June 2026
Time: 09:30 AM-14:30 PM
Venue: Newport Community Hub
TS1 5NQ

INTERESTED?

Are you interested in a free first aid class within your community?
If so please contact:-
newportcommunityevents@middlesbrough.gov.uk



FAMILY FUN DAY

Henna Hand Painting & Face Painting

Bouncy Castles & Slides

Children's Disco

Party Games

Monday 25th May 2026

Time: 11.00 am - 4.00 pm

At
Community Hub@Newport Settlement,
St Pauls Road, Middlesbrough

Tickets: £1.00 per person
Ticket price includes all activities and events
(tickets available at the door on the day)

Refreshments will be available to purchase

For further information contact Newport Settlement on:
01642 802892

Or email: nusrat_hussain@middlesbrough.gov.uk






A half term to remember...

New experiences, new events and new friends are all part of **Bring It On Boro**, where local kids can enjoy **free activities and food during the May half term**.

They can dive into a mix of different sessions across the town, from sports to music to cookery and days out. Scroll down to find out more!

Activities are for children aged 5 - 16 who get benefit-related free school meals.

Email holidayfoodandactivities@middlesbrough.gov.uk if you have any queries.

What's on in my area?

We understand that every child has different interests, here's what they can take part in during Bring It On Boro:

- **Acklam** – flavours of Bollywood cookery class
- **Ayresome** - Goals football training
- **Berwick Hills** – swimming
- **Coulby Newham** – cheerleading (including SEND session)
- **Hemlington** – LEGO club
- **Marion** – roller disco
- **Newport** – dance, music and art workshops
- **Pallister Park** – boxing sessions
- **plus lots more!**

To see the full range of activities available and to book places click [HERE](#)

