

# Archibald News

Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



2025 - 2026

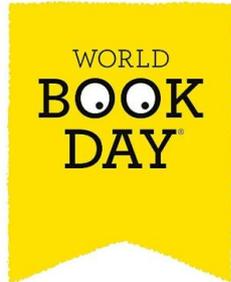
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## World Book Day 2026 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

World Book Day 2026 takes place this week - on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

This year, the theme for World Book Day is to **find enjoyment in your reading.**

### Dress Up!

We would like to celebrate the day by encouraging pupils to come into school dressed as their favourite character from a book. This is one of our most popular dress up days and each year we are blown with the imagination that many pupils and families put into their costumes for the day. Please be aware...

- **Pupils do not have to dress up if they do not want to** (some pupils do not like dressing up)
- **There is no requirement to buy or order expensive costumes.** There are many great ideas online that cost nothing or very little to put together. For some ideas, check out mumsnet '78 Easy World Book Day Costume ideas' webpage (Click [HERE](#))

### Book Voucher

Each child will receive a £1 book voucher that can be swapped for one of many specially written World Book Day books, or used for a £1 discount on many other books. For information on the range of book available, please visit the World book Day 2026 website [Click [HERE](#)]. The books are available in many supermarkets and bookstores.

## STARS of the WEEK

Congratulations to the following pupils who were awarded **Kind and Caring Words Awards** in our Celebration Assemblies before half term.

- Class 1 – Ivy
- Class 2 – Sanah
- Class 3 – Mazha
- Class 4 – Humayl
- Class 5 – Cian
- Class 6 – Benjamin
- Class 7 – Jude
- Class 8 – Noah
- Class 9 – Shyanne
- Class 10 – David
- Class 11 – David
- Class 12 - Varniga
- Class 13 – Skye
- Class 14 – Ciaa
- Class 15 – Melina
- Class 16 – Matthew
- Class 17 – Ayo
- Class 18 – Abdulraman
- Breakfast Club – Luke, Class 5

### **Congratulations to all the stars!**

The PE focus this week is **self belief**. 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 Dashboard



School attendance Wb 16.2.26	<b>91.9%</b>
Class with the highest attendance wb 16.2.26:	Class 8 <b>99%</b>
Attendance for the school year to date:	<b>93.4%</b>

## Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2025-2026

Wb 16.2.26	week	*cum.
Class 1	92.5%	92.7%
Class 2	90.5%	94.2%
Class 3	<b>85.3%</b>	92.7%
Class 4	90%	92.5%
Class 5	92.6%	94.2%
Class 6	95.9%	95.4%
Class 7	94.3%	96.4%
Class 8	99%	95.3%
Class 9	<b>75%</b>	<b>74.1%</b>
Class 10	<b>86.7%</b>	91.2%
Class 11	92.7%	92.2%
Class 12	<b>89.6%</b>	94.5%
Class 13	<b>83.3%</b>	92.1%
Class 14	<b>88.8%</b>	93.5%
Class 15	97.1%	95%
Class 16	97.7%	95.3%
Class 17	96.4%	92.2%
Class 18	94.4%	95%

\*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**  
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## 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.

### Attendance Challenge Prize Winners Spring 1 2026

- Karla – Class 18
- Delaney – Class 16
- Edy – Class 14
- Joshua – Class 12
- Junior – Class 11
- Bala – Class 11
- Maya – Class 11
- Zayne - Class 6
- Harry – Class 6
- Alvin – Class 6
- Penny – Class 4
- Isaac – class 2
- Ivy – Class 1

## Celebrating Attendance

- Last week we had **313 pupils with 100% attendance** for the week. This includes **57 pupils who have 100% attendance for the school year to date**
- We currently have **216 pupils in the green attendance band** – attendance for the school year at 96% or above.
- Last week **262 pupils had improving attendance rates from the previous week**

## ATTENDANCE TARGET

The Department for Education have set our school attendance target for the 2025-206 school year to be **at least 93.8%**. We are just over half way through the school year and currently not far away from this target – well done everyone – keep trying hard!

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



## Diary Dates

### THIS WEEK

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

School Reopens for Spring Term 2 2026

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

Rhyme Time at KFC Foundation 9am



**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

World Book Day 2026

Information on Newsletter

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Y5 Visit to Newport Community Hub –

Meet Author James Harris

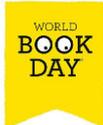
**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

Handwriting Competition Awards presented



**ECO SHOP**

open from 2pm



### NEXT WEEK

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

Y5 Peat Rigg Adventure – 1 week

### COMING SOON

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

**NEW** Y5 and Class 12 Extra PE at Goals

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

**NEW** Y3 and Class 11 Extra PE at Goals

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

Red Nose Day 2026

Information to follow



**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

Triangulation Meetings all week

**NEW** Y5 and Class 12 Extra PE at Goals

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

**NEW** Y3 and Class 11 Extra PE at Goals

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

Y6 Practice SATs Week 2

Triangulation Meetings all week

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

Archibald Attendance Aces 100% attendance Reward

School Closes for Easter Holiday

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

School re-opens – Summer Term 2026

Y3 Class 8/10 Swimming lessons at Borocuda – details to follow

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

Community Connections Market from 2.30pm – details to follow

### MIDDLESBROUGH SCHOOL MEALS

## LUNCH MENU THIS WEEK

Week 2	Main Course	Dessert
<b>M</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken Alfredo</li> <li>Pizza wrap (V) served with oven roasted wedges</li> </ul>	Steamed Eves pudding and custard
<b>T</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homemade Cottage pie</li> <li>Quorn burger In a bun (V) with roasted potatoes</li> </ul>	Jam shortbread fingers
<b>W</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Toad in the hole served with mashed potato</li> <li>Macaroni cheese served with crusty bread (V)</li> </ul>	Beetroot chocolate brownie
<b>Th</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minced beef and Dumplings served with mashed potato</li> <li>Curry and rice (V) served with naan bread</li> </ul>	Pear crumble and custard
<b>F</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Battered fish or Fish portion and chips</li> <li>Cheese and Tomato crustless Quiche (V)</li> </ul>	Homemade biscuits
<b>Available Daily</b>	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 You can check out the full menu on our school website. Click <a href="#">HERE</a></i></p>	

## INFORMATION FROM NEWPORT COMMUNITY HUB

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

**International Women's Day event**

Inspirational speakers, activities, food

**Wednesday 11th March 2026**

Time: 1 - 2.30 pm

Venue : Newport Community Hub

St. Pauls Road

Middlesbrough

TS1 5NQ

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK A PLACE  
PLEASE EMAIL

[newportcommunityevents@middlesbrough.gov.uk](mailto:newportcommunityevents@middlesbrough.gov.uk)

or  
Call Newport Community Hub on 01642 802892



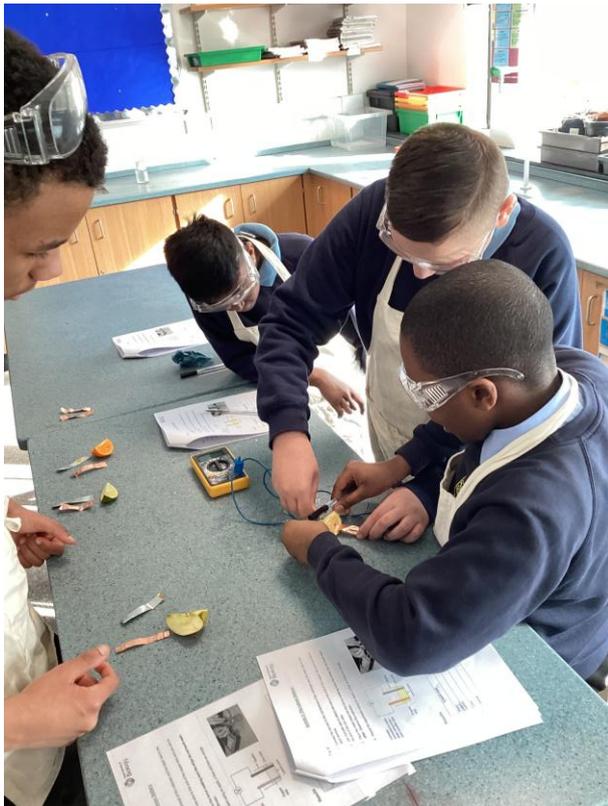
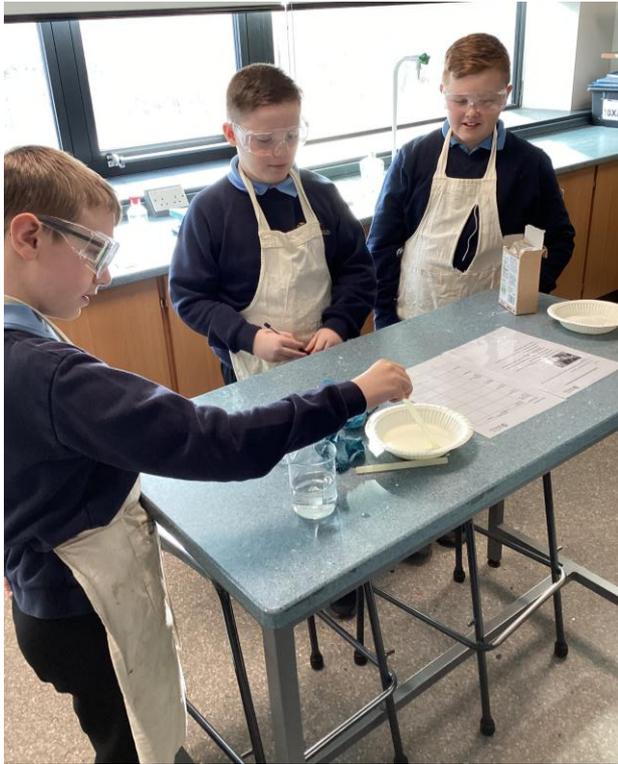
Community  
**Hub**  
Newport Settlement

**Middlesbrough**  
moving forward

# Y6 SCIENTISTS

## Can you smell as well as a shark?

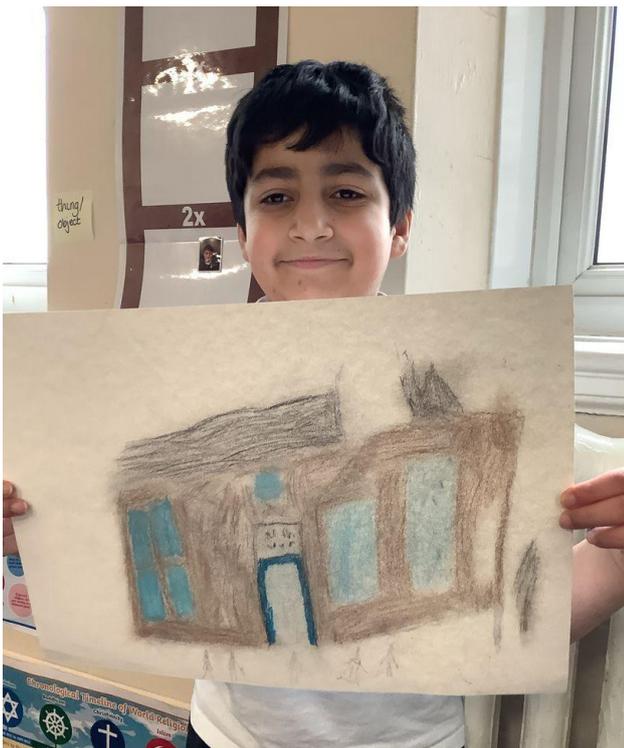
Class 18 were invited to MacMillan Academy to carry out experiments in their science labs. They had a fantastic time working with some Year 10 students across 7 activities to find answers to some very interesting questions including 'How do butterflies drink?' 'Can you smell as well as a shark?' and 'Why do leaves change colour in the autumn?'. They even made batteries using fruit!



# Class 10 Artists

Here is the final artwork from Class 10, and the children and Miss Dodsworth are so proud of it.

They have really enjoyed learning about LS Lowry and the techniques he used to create busy, emotive scenes, and hope their work reflects the inspiration that have taken from his style.



# Class 10 Maths

In Maths, Class 10 have been working in groups to reason and compare two number sentences. To help, they asked themselves:

*What is the same and what is different?*

Their big question was then:

*Which is greater, or are they equal?*

They then used this reasoning to choose the correct inequality symbol to make each comparison correct.

