

Archibald News

Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



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Believe and Achieve



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Uwierz i osiągnij



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相信与实现

Why do we Remember?



This week all year groups will be participating in our Special Week of curriculum work to commemorate Armistices Day on 11th November 2025.

The overarching key question for this work throughout the school is ‘**Why do we Remember?**’

Throughout the week all pupils will engage in a number of activities related to remembrance as part of our Special ‘Why do we Remember?’ whole school theme. This will culminate in our remembrance assemblies, which will take place on Friday 7th November where each year group will present what they have learnt.

Three of our Y5 pupils visited Beamish Museum on Monday 20th October to film part of our Remembrance Assembly with representatives from Macmillan Academy. The short video will be shared as part of our remembrance assembly.

DIWALI DAY

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the Nursery Diwali Open day last half term.



STARS of the WEEK

Congratulations to the following pupils who were awarded **Motivation Awards** in our Star of the Week Assemblies before half term.

Nursery – Yani & Ruby
Class 1 – Sheyaw
Class 2 – Rugaya
Class 3 – Jessica
Class 4 – Logan
Class 5 – Connor
Class 6 – Vienna
Class 7 – Toleen
Class 8 – Star
Class 9 – Shyanne
Class 10 – Shahd
Class 11 – Louie
Class 12 – Scarlett
Class 13 – Noel
Class 14 – Charlie
Class 15 – Jemimah
Class 16 – Hanaw
Class 17 – Sehrani
Class 18 – Harper
Congratulations to all the stars!

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
POPPY APPEAL

Poppies and a range of Royal British Legion Merchandise are available to purchase from the school office.

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 20.10.25	93.7%
Class with the highest attendance wb 20.10.25:	Class 13 100%
Attendance for the school year to date:	94.3%

Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2025-2026

Wb 20.10.25	week	*cum.
Class 1	91.7%	92.2%
Class 2	94.3%	96.2%
Class 3	96.7%	96.3%
Class 4	90.5%	95.4%
Class 5	94.2%	94.7%
Class 6	95.5%	95.8%
Class 7	96.4%	97.1%
Class 8	98.8%	94.9%
Class 9	62.5%	66.4%
Class 10	94.7%	86.6%
Class 11	91.1%	91.5%
Class 12	97.8%	94.1%
Class 13	100%	95.7%
Class 14	91%	94.8%
Class 15	88.8%	96.3%
Class 16	97.9%	93.2%
Class 17	97.3%	92.3%
Class 18	93.3%	97%

*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.

Prize winners for Autumn 1 were:

David Class 10	Ismail Class 4
Louie Class 12	Skyla Class 6
Isa Class 12	Lorena Class 2
Subhan Class 18	Yani Npm
Corey Class 16	Ariella Class 3

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 **157 pupils** in our Attendance Aces Club.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance Bands



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

Last week (wb 20.10.25) we had a total of **161 pupils with improving attendance** (up from 151 the previous week). This figure includes 7 pupils whose attendance improved enough to move from amber attendance band to green attendance band and five pupils who moved from red attendance band to amber attendance band. Well done!

Unfortunately we have 61 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 3rd November

PD day 3 – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 4th November

School re-opens for pupils

Rhyme Time 9am @ KFC Foundation



Friday 7th November



ECO SHOP

open from 2pm (New Time)

NEXT WEEK

Monday 10th November

Anti-Bullying Week See Page 5



Friday 14th November

NEW BBC

Children in Need
2025 See Page 5



COMING SOON

Monday 15th December

End of term Performances:

Y4 @ 2pm, Y6 @ 3.15pm

Tuesday 16th December

End of term Performances:

Y2 @ 9am, Y1 @ 10am. Y Y3 @ 2pm, Y5 @ 3.15pm

Wednesday 17th December

End of term Performance:

Reception @ 9am

Thursday 18th December

Christmas lunch

Friday 19th December

End of term – School closes 1:30pm

Monday 5th January 2026

Spring Term 2026

NEW School opens for pupils
8.30am/8.35am

Monday 23rd February

NEW Half term Holiday

Thursday 2nd April

NEW School Closes for Easter Holiday

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 3	Main Course	Dessert
M	• PD Day - School closed	
T	• Chicken and vegetable pie served with boiled potatoes • Chilli con carne and rice (V)	Fruit Cheesecake
W	• Roast chicken in gravy with mashed potato • Lasagne and crusty bread (V)	Apple and banana cake
Th	• Burger in a bun served with oven roasted wedges • Singapore Quorn noodles (V)	Steamed chocolate sponge and custard
F	• Fish portion or fish fingers served with chips • Wholegrain Tomato and basil pasta bake served with garlic bread (v)	Apple oaty Flapjack
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	
	<i>All meals are freshly cooked on the premises each day. Menu subject to change depending upon supplies and deliveries.</i> 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	



GIVE A COAT A HOME!

Help for families in need of winter coats and clothing

Come and collect free winter clothing
on Thursday, 6th November 2025
from 12 to 2pm
at Newport Community Hub
St. Paul's Road, TS1 5NQ
Tel: 01642 802892

Community Hub
Newport Settlement

Middlesbrough
moving forward



The Endeavour Foundation supports our families, academies and communities as we work together to support children and young people to be safe, healthy and achieve well academically.

We understand that navigating challenges - both big and small—can be overwhelming at times.

To help support you, we've put together a document with helpful resources, including links to services and support available to families in our community.

You can access the document through our school website:

archibaldpri.org.uk (link [HERE](#))

Scroll down the home page to find the link in the NOTICES section.

Alternatively, the document can be accessed by clicking the link [HERE](#)

Archibald Primary School is supported by the Endeavour Foundation; a charity which aims to drive change and unlock the potential of children and young people.

The Endeavour Foundation has made significant contributions towards numerous initiatives in school, including Archibald Eco Shop and Rhyme Time provision. Keep an eye out for further developments coming throughout the 2025-2026 school year.

By collaborating with businesses, charities and other local organisations we are making a positive difference to our local community and have worked on exciting new projects to support health, employability, and families. To find out more, watch our short film by following the link to our website [HERE](#)

We are looking forward to our continued involvement with the Foundation and working with our partners to build on our early successes and accelerate into the future.

ENDEAVOUR ACADEMIES INSPIRING FUTURES



Next week (wb 10.11.25) is Anti-bullying Week.

The theme of the week this year is 'Power for Good'

For this year's Anti-Bullying Week theme, Power for Good, we focus on the importance of using power responsibly.

The definition of bullying involves a power imbalance, where one person uses their power to control or harm another.

Throughout Anti-bullying week, pupils will engage in a range of assemblies and activities to help them to understand that where they may have power and/or influence, they have a choice and a responsibility to use that positively, encouraging kindness, support, and standing up for others.

Pupils will learn that power needs to be used carefully. Power should never be used to dominate, control, coerce or manipulate others.

By equipping pupils with the skills to recognise power dynamics and encourage respect for each other's rights, we aim to foster and grow an environment where everyone feels that they belong, are safe and valued

To Launch Anti-bullying Week 2025 we will be hosting and 'odd sock day' on Monday 10th November and would like as many pupils as possible to come to school in odd socks for the day.



CYCLE SAFETY



It is great that we have so many pupils coming to school on cycles and scooters.

If your child does come to school on a cycle or scooter, please remember:

Cycles and scooters must be pushed when you are the school site. This is for the safety of the owner and other pedestrians on the school site. Please be aware that this applies to parents, carers and pupils of all ages. Unfortunately, we have a significant number of Pre-school and Nursey pupils riding cycles and scooters on the school site.

Cycles and scooters left in the cycle store as left at your own risk. The school cannot take responsibility for any cycle or scooter that is taken or damaged. We strongly recommend using a cycle lock to lock cycles and scooters to the cycle store.

CLASS 10 ARTISTS

This term our art theme in Class 10 is watercolour painting. Pupils used their knowledge of the colour wheel and applied new painting techniques to create these fantastic pieces. They are very proud of the results — there are so many budding artists in Class 10!



BBC Children in Need Friday 14th November 2025

We will once again be raising money for Children in Need and having lots of fun on Children in Need Day 2025.

This year Children in Need is on Friday 14th November.

Our School Council have organised a non-uniform day with the theme of pyjamas. For a small donation pupils can come to school in Pyjamas for the day instead of their school uniform. If they prefer, pupils can wear Pudsey clothes instead of school uniform for the day. Please do not incur expense by going out to buy clothes or pyjamas especially for this day.

Money will be collected by Class teachers in their classrooms on the morning of Friday November 14th. Alternatively, donations can be handed in at the school office.

BBC Children in Need believe that every child should have the chance to thrive and be the best they can be and for this to happen, they want every child to have someone they can turn to for help or support to overcome challenges they face. Money donated to Children in Need 2025 will help this vital work.

CLASS 18 VISIT TO HEUGH BATTERY

Class 18 visited Heugh Battery Museum in Hartlepool recently.



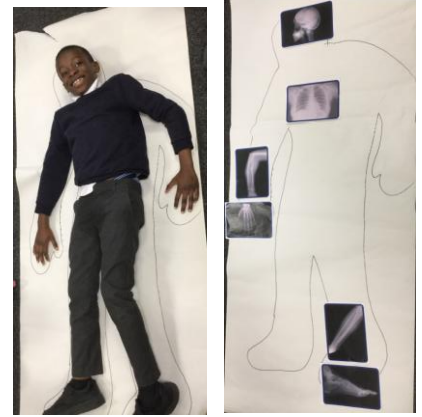
The Heugh Battery Museum preserves the only First World War battlefield in the UK and commemorates the bombardment of Hartlepool in December 1914.

Volunteers spoke about how the bombardment affected the people of Hartlepool, they took the children into a replica trench and showed them the weapons and uniform soldiers used in WW1.

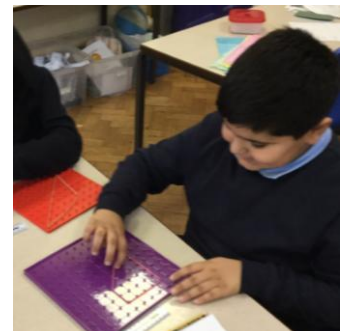


Y3 SCIENCE

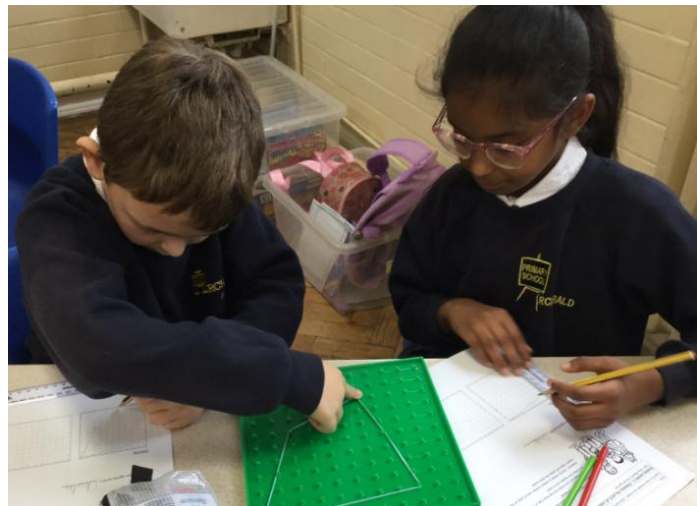
In their science lessons, Y3 pupils we have been discussing body parts and bones. They drew around children in each class and used their used outline to add photos of X-rays in the correct place.



Y4 SCIENCE



Our Y4 scientists investigated pitch. They used elastic bands and geo-boards to investigate if the longest or shortest length of each shape made the highest pitched sound when plucked. They were surprised as most of them thought all of the lengths would make the same sound.



Speech and Language Advice Line

Do you have a child under 5, and live in Middlesbrough?

Do you have questions or concerns about their speech and language skills?

Iona, the Family Hubs Speech and Language Therapist, is here to help

To book a call with her ring **01642 579120**

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