

Archibald News

Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



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Believe and Achieve



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Welcome to Spring Term 2026

Welcome back to the new term.

As ever the Spring Term is always busy in school.

In the first half term we will be repeating our **handwriting competition** with some great prizes on offer, and will also be marking **Mental Health Week** and **Safer internet Week** including **Safer Internet Day** with some fun and informative activities in school and online.

After half term, we will be celebrating **World Book Day** on March 5th and our School Council will be planning some fun events to celebrate **Comic Relief Red Nose Day** on Friday March 20th

Our Class 7 will start their **swimming lessons at Borocuda** and our **Peat Rigg Residential** for Y5 pupils will be taking place.

Keep looking out on the newsletter, for more details of all these and other events. There is certainly a lot going on this term!

Later this week, on Friday morning, we will be sharing more information about all these events with pupils in our Welcome to Spring Term Assemblies.



Ollie Organisation

Our school theme this week is **Organisation**. 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



Christingle Awards



Congratulations to the following pupils who were awarded **Christingle Awards** in our Christingle Assembly at the end of last Term.

Nursery - Gianna and Ruby

Class 1 – Lucia

Class 2 – Rugaya

Class 3 – Jessica

Class 4 – Penny

Class 5 - Ollie

Class 6 - Isabella

Class 7 – Amelia

Class 8 – Star

Class 9 – Roman P

Class 10 – Shahd

Class 11 – Delsie

Class 12 – Isha

Class 13 – Logan

Class 14 – Zainab

Class 15 – Angel

Class 16 – Matthew

Class 17 – Ayo

Class 18 – Elena

Congratulations to all the stars!



Attendance Dashboard



GET IN THERE!

PRIMARY SCHOOL
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SUPPORTING OUR PUPILS TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

School attendance Wb 15.12.25	94.4%
Class with the highest attendance wb 15.12.25:	Classes 8 & 10 100%
Attendance for the school year to date:	93.5%

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Attendance League Table 2025-2026

Wb 15.12.25	week	*cum.
Class 1	98.8%	93.4%
Class 2	95.3%	94.6%
Class 3	97.3%	94.3%
Class 4	94.8%	92.9%
Class 5	96.5%	93.7%
Class 6	94.1%	94.7%
Class 7	85.4%	95.7%
Class 8	100%	94.7%
Class 9	64.4%	67.6%
Class 10	100%	90.4%
Class 11	96%	92%
Class 12	91.9%	94.5%
Class 13	91.7%	94.8%
Class 14	95.8%	93.8%
Class 15	94.6%	94.6%
Class 16	96.7%	94.6%
Class 17	98.6%	92.6%
Class 18	94.6%	95.4%

*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, Mrs Davies – 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. At the end of each half term, we choose tokens from each jar. Pupils who have their name drawn win an attendance prize.

100% Attendance Prize Winners Autumn 2 2025
Asher - Class 2
Moayad- Class 2
Sophia- Class 3
Jacob – Class 3
Zahra – Class 4
Roman B – Class 9
Noah F – Class 12
Hanaw – Class 13
James S – Class 15

Archibald Attendance Aces

Our Archibald Attendance Aces are pupils with 100% attendance for the term.

This week, all **70 pupils** with 100% attendance for Autumn term 2025 will receive a special treat.

Attendance Bands

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

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



Diary Dates

THIS WEEK

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5th January 2026

School opens for pupils 8.30am/8.35am

Tuesday 6th January

Rhyme Time 9am @ KFC Foundation



Friday 9th December



ECO SHOP

open from 2pm

NEXT WEEK

Thursday 15th January

Closing date for Reception applications for September 2026

Friday 16th January



ECO SHOP
open from 2pm

COMING SOON

Monday 19th January

Y3 Class 7 Swimming lessons at Borocuda – every afternoon for two weeks



Monday 2nd February

Y6 Practice SATs Week 1

Monday 23rd February

Half term Holiday

Thursday 5th March

NEW World Book Day 2026

Information to follow



Friday 6th March

NEW Handwriting Competition Awards presented

Monday 9th March

Y5 Peat Rigg Adventure

Monday 16th March

Y6 Practice SATs Week 2

Friday 20th March

NEW Red Nose Day 2026

Information to follow



Monday 23rd March

Triangulation Meetings all week

Monday 30th March

Triangulation Meetings all week

Thursday 2nd April

NEW Archibald Attendance Aces 100% attendance Reward

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 1

M

- Baked Sausage with mashed potato
- Pasta Bolognaise with crusty bread(V)

Dessert

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



Daily Vegetable Selection
Sliced Bread

Assorted fresh sandwiches
and wraps
Fresh salad bar options

**Fresh Fruit
Fruit Jelly
Cheese & crackers**

*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](#)*

PARENTAL CODE OF CONDUCT

At Archibald Primary School, we believe it is important to:

- Work in partnership with parents to support their child's learning
- Create a safe, respectful and inclusive environment for pupils, staff and parents
- Model appropriate behaviour for our pupils at all times.

To help us do this, we set clear expectations and guidelines on behaviour for all members of our community. This includes staff (through the staff code of conduct) and pupils (through our behaviour policy).

The Parental Code of Conduct aims to help the school work together with parents by setting guidelines on appropriate behaviour. We use the term 'parents' to refer to:

- Anyone with parental responsibility for a pupil
- Anyone caring for a child (such as grandparents or child-minders).

The **Parental Code of Conduct** is reviewed annually and the most up to date version is available on our school website.

Click [HERE](#) to view the most up to date version which was reviewed in December 2025



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SEND Information

Please see the posters below for information on two regular events to support parents and carers of pupils who have a diagnosis of or show traits of ADHD, ASD, FASD or sensory processing difficulties. These events at West Middlesbrough family Hub, Stainsby Road are free to attend and are supported by Daisy Chain. There is no need to book.

**MULTI-AGENCY
DROP-IN
MIDDLESBROUGH**

West Middlesbrough Family Hub, Stainsby Road,
Middlesbrough, TS5 4JS



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Autism & Neurodiversity

Do you live within the Middlesbrough Local Authority?

Do you have concerns that your child, who is 0-18 years of age, is Autistic, has ADHD, Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) or Sensory Processing Differences?

Would you benefit from introductions and support from other services and agencies?

Multi-Agency drop-in's are designed so parents/carers can meet a representative from other services and agencies who may be able to support their family, child or young person.

For details on who will be attending each drop-in, please join our Facebook group or contact the team directly.



UPCOMING 2026 DATES:
TERM TIME ONLY
THURSDAYS 10AM-12PM

21ST JAN / 18TH FEB / 18TH MARCH

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
family.support@daisychainproject.co.uk
01642 531248 (option 1)

NO BOOKING REQUIRED / REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

**PEER SUPPORT
COFFEE MORNINGS
MIDDLESBROUGH**

West Middlesbrough Family Hub, Stainsby Road,
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Peer support coffee mornings are designed so parents/carers can build support network in a safe and non-judgemental space.

A Daisy Chain family support leader will be available to provide advice and support for you, your child and your family.

For further details please join our Facebook group or contact the team directly.



UPCOMING 2026 DATES:
TERM TIME ONLY
EVERY FRIDAY 10AM-12PM

Please feel free to bring a friend or family member along with you.

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**Special Educational
Needs and Disabilities
(SEND) Parent Carer
Conference** - Hosted by Middlesbrough

SEND Parent Carer Forum in collaboration with
Middlesbrough Council



This event is open to all parents and carers of children and young people with SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) who live in Middlesbrough. This includes families of children who are diagnosed, undiagnosed, receiving SEN support, or have an EHCP – as well as those who may not yet identify their child as having SEND but would like to learn more about available support.

Venue: The Crypt, Middlesbrough Town Hall, TS1 2QJ
Date: Thursday 22 January 2026
Time: 9.30am – 2.30pm
Lunch provided

Featuring:

- An opening introduction from Middlesbrough SEND Parent Carer Forum
- Key updates on SEND and inclusion from Middlesbrough Council
- A selection of engaging workshops on topics including inclusion, EHCPs and mental health support (details to be confirmed soon)
- A marketplace filled with information, advice and services to support families
- A delicious lunch and a chance to meet other parents and carers

Book your place by scanning the QR code or emailing: info@mspcf.org.uk



**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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Term Dates and Holidays 2025 – 2026

	AUGUST 2025				SEPTEMBER 2025					OCTOBER 2025				NOVEMBER 2025				DECEMBER 2025				JANUARY 2026							
Monday	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			
Tuesday	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			
Wednesday	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		
Thursday	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		
Friday	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	30		
Saturday	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		
Sunday	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			
	FEBRUARY 2026				MARCH 2026					APRIL 2026				MAY 2026				JUNE 2026				JULY 2026							
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Sunday	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	

Bank Holiday	
School Holiday	
PD Days (School closed to pupils)	
Monday 1 st September	
Friday 24 th October	
Monday 3 rd November	
Monday 20 th July	
Tuesday 21 st July	



If you have got a new mobile over the holiday period, don't forget to download the See-Saw app to help you keep in touch with your child's learning and messages from their class teacher.

If you have changed your number, please remember to let the office know so we can update your child's record. It is really important that we can get in touch with you if we need to.



Archibald Eco Shop reopens for the Spring Term from 2pm on Friday 9th January.

Our popular Eco Shop is a way to obtain food items for a nominal charge and help the environment at the same time.

The foods available are overstock items or items with shorter best before dates from national supermarket chains which would otherwise go to landfill.

There is a charge of £1 which entitles you to take up to 5 items from the Eco Shop.



Do you have a child aged 0 years to 2 years, or a child who does not get to spend much time with other children of a similar age? Do you want an opportunity to get together with other mums and dads and carers with similar aged children in a relaxed, fun, engaging environment? If so then please think about joining our Rhyme Time sessions. Sessions take place at 9am each Tuesday at KFC Foundation, Meath Street.

For more information, please see posters around school or speak to Mrs Hill, Mr Cowgill, or ask at the school office.

Sessions restart on Tuesday 6th January 2026

Class 9 Christmas Family Workshop

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the Class 9 Christmas family Workshop in the final week of last term.



Christmas Card Competition

Special congratulations to Karlia from Y6 who has won a prize in the Mayors Christmas Card Competition 2025.

Many of the pupils attending Breakfast Club entered the competition, however Karlia's entry was judged to be one of the best submitted from the whole of Middlesbrough.

The Deputy mayor visited school at the end of term to share the news and to invite Karlia to visit the Mayor for a celebration event in the new year.

This is a fantastic achievement, and we are delighted to recognise Karlia's creativity and effort.

Mathematics Success



Congratulations to Ashmigga from Class 15 who attends after school maths workshops and received a gold award for scoring 97/100 in her final maths exam.

CRAFT CLUB

As Mrs Lawman's Craft Club comes to an end for the Autumn term, it's time to celebrate and share some of the festive decorations the children have created in such a short time. It has been a fantastic experience, and the children have been wonderful throughout.

