

# Archibald News

## Archibald Primary School – “Believe and Achieve”



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A big thank you to all the pupils, parents and carers for helping to make the start of term so positive for our Archibald community.

It has been great to see so many pupils in smart

school uniform enjoying getting to know their new class teachers, and their new classrooms, remembering routines, learning lots of new things and completing new challenges.

### Safeguarding Review feedback

We have recently received feedback from our Safeguarding Quality Assurance Visit which took place in June. This was conducted by an external agency and highlighted many strengths to celebrate and share:

- Archibald Primary school has a **strong culture of belonging**.
- **Children are very well integrated and have positive relationships with each other.** Children are inclusive and are often observed at breaktimes and lunchtime inviting each other to play and supporting each other.
- **Pupil voice is strong** and pupils are able to articulate their views well to all staff and visitors.
- **Site security has improved dramatically since the last visit.**
- **Drop off and collection is well supervised by all staff.** Due to staggered start arrangements, families with large groups have the time to collect and drop off children.
- **Behaviour is good**, children are on task, in school and ready to learn.
- **The school has strong procedures in place for the administration of medicine**

**Thank you** for your continued support in helping to make Archibald such a great school.

## SCHOOL TIMES REMINDER

| School Times 2026-2027 |          |         |
|------------------------|----------|---------|
| Year                   | Drop off | Pick Up |
| Pre School             | 8.25am   | 11.25am |
|                        | 12.05pm  | 3.05pm  |
| Nursery                | 8.30am   | 11.30am |
|                        | 12.10pm  | 3.10pm  |
| YR                     | 8.35am   | 3.05pm  |
| Y1                     | 8.30am   | 3.00pm  |
| Y2                     | 8.35am   | 3.05pm  |
| Y3                     | 8.30am   | 3.00pm  |
| Y4                     | 8.35am   | 3.05pm  |
| Y5                     | 8.35am   | 3.05pm  |
| Y6                     | 8.30am   | 3.00pm  |

## Archibald Primary School Triangulation Meetings Autumn 2026

Triangulation Meetings between pupils, parent/carers and teachers will take place in wb 5.10.26 and wb 12.10.26.

Please look out for more information about these important meetings in the next few weeks.

Our **School Focus** this week is Golden Rule Number 1 – **Respect Everyone and Everything**. Teachers will be looking to reward pupils in our Star of the Year Assemblies on Friday morning.  
Our **PE theme** this week is Honesty. PE teachers will be awarding PE Sar Certificates in PE lessons this week.

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





# Attendance Dashboard



## GET IN THERE!

SUPPORTING OUR PUPILS TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

|                                                  |                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| School attendance<br>3.9.26 & 4.9.26             | <b>93.8%</b>                     |
| Class with the highest<br>attendance wb 31.8.26: | Classes 1,7,12,16<br><b>100%</b> |
| Attendance for the<br>school year 2026-27:       | <b>93.8%</b>                     |

### Archibald Primary School Attendance League Table 2026-2027

| wb 31.8.26 | week  | *cum. |
|------------|-------|-------|
| Class 1    | 100%  | 100%  |
| Class 2    | 88.4% | 88.4% |
| Class 3    | 86.7% | 86.7% |
| Class 4    | 93.3% | 93.3% |
| Class 5    | 91.1% | 91.1% |
| Class 6    | 91.4% | 91.4% |
| Class 7    | 100%  | 100%  |
| Class 8    | 93.3% | 93.3% |
| Class 9    | 88.9% | 88.9% |
| Class 11   | 96.4% | 96.4% |
| Class 12   | 100%  | 100%  |
| Class 13   | 94.7% | 94.7% |
| Class 14   | 90.5% | 90.5% |
| Class 15   | 99%   | 99%   |
| Class 16   | 100%  | 100%  |
| Class 17   | 96.9% | 96.9% |
| Class 18   | 91.7% | 91.7% |

\*Cumulative from 1.9.26

|                |              |             |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>&lt;90%</b> | <b>90% +</b> | <b>96%+</b> |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|

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

## Archibald Attendance Aces



Our Archibald Attendance Aces from Summer term 2026 had a special reward on Friday afternoon – extra playtimes. Please see the photographs on page 4.

In addition, we had some extra special Attendance Aces – pupils who had 100% attendance for the whole school year 2025-2026. These pupils were celebrated in our assemblies on Friday morning, and each received a special certificate to mark this fantastic achievement.

### Archibald Attendance Roll of Honour 2025 - 2026

Pupils with 100% attendance for 2025-2026:

YR Eliaf M  
YR Tanish S  
Y2 Aayan A  
Y2 Elsafi N  
Y3 Brian A  
Y3 Adejay T  
Y3 Asma M  
Y4 Akshdeep K  
Y5 Haleem C  
Y5 Amelie P  
Y5 Osinachi O

## ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Our Attendance Challenge continues this term. Tokens will be given out to all pupils with 100% attendance for the week, with prizes being awarded at the end of each half term.



**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 with your child's attendance. Please ask if you need help or support.

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

# Diary Dates

## THIS WEEK

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

**NEW** Y5 Parent/Carer Meeting 2pm – Dining Room



**ECO SHOP**

open from 2:15pm

## NEXT WEEK

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

Rhyme Time for 0-2+ years – see newsletter page 4 for more information.



**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September**



**ECO SHOP**

open from 2:15pm

## COMING SOON

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

European Day of Languages Day

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September &**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October**

**NEW** Y4 Warp and Weft Family

Workshop – Dining room. Details to follow.

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

**NEW** Triangulation Meetings Week 1

Y6 Catch up Swimming (2 weeks)

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

**NEW** Y2 visit to Captain Cook Museum

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**NEW** Triangulation Meetings Week 2

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

**NEW** Y6 visit to Heugh Battery – Group 1

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

**NEW** Y6 visit to Heugh Battery – Group 2

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

PD Day 3 School Closed to pupils

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday**

**31<sup>st</sup> October**

Half Term Holiday – School Closed

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

PD Day 4 – School Closed to pupils

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

Special Week – 'Why do we Remember?'

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

Anti-bullying Week – Break the Silence

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

BBC Children in Need 2026 – Details to follow



**ARCHIBALD**

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

This week is **WEEK 2**

| WEEK 1 | Main Course                                                                                                                                              | Dessert                                     |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Mon    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Baked sausage with mashed potato</li> <li>Pasta bolognese with crusty bread (V)</li> </ul>                        | Apple sponge with custard                   |
| Tue    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken curry and rice with naan bread</li> <li>Homemade pizza (V) with oven-roasted wedges</li> </ul>            | Bakewell tart with custard                  |
| Wed    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roast chicken and stuffing with garlic &amp; herb potatoes</li> <li>Omelette with roasted potatoes (V)</li> </ul> | Peach flapjack                              |
| Thu    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tomato wholegrain pasta bake with garlic bread (V)</li> <li>Minced beef pie with boiled potatoes</li> </ul>       | Ice cream with fruit compote<br>Fruit jelly |
| Fri    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salmon fish finger and fish fingers with chips</li> <li>Quorn cottage pie (V)</li> </ul>                          | Feathered sponge with custard               |

| WEEK 2 | Main Course                                                                                                                          | Dessert                            |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Mon    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken alfredo</li> <li>Pizza wrap (V) with oven-roasted wedges</li> </ul>                   | Steamed Eve's pudding with custard |
| Tue    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homemade cottage pie</li> <li>Quorn burger in a bun (V) with roast potatoes</li> </ul>        | Jam shortbread fingers             |
| Wed    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Toad in the hole with mashed potato</li> <li>Macaroni cheese with crusty bread (V)</li> </ul> | Beetroot chocolate brownie         |
| Thu    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minced beef and dumplings with mash</li> <li>Curry and rice (V) with naan bread</li> </ul>    | Homemade biscuits                  |
| Fri    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Battered fish and chips</li> <li>Cheese and tomato crustless quiche (V)</li> </ul>            | Pear crumble with custard          |

| WEEK 3 | Main Course                                                                                                                                                     | Dessert                               |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mon    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beef pasta bolognese with garlic bread</li> <li>Homemade cheese pasty or roll with mash(V)</li> </ul>                    | Fruit sponge with custard             |
| Tue    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken and vegetable pie with boiled potatoes</li> <li>Chilli con carne and rice (V)</li> </ul>                         | Fruit cheesecake                      |
| Wed    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roast chicken in gravy with mashed potato</li> <li>Lasagne with crusty bread (V)</li> </ul>                              | Apple and banana cake                 |
| Thu    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Burger in a bun with oven-roasted wedges</li> <li>Singapore Quorn noodles (V)</li> </ul>                                 | Steamed chocolate sponge with custard |
| Fri    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fish portion or fish fingers with chips</li> <li>Wholegrain tomato and basil pasta bake with garlic bread (V)</li> </ul> | Apple oaty flapjack                   |

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|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Available Daily | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Daily vegetable selection</li> <li>sliced bread</li> <li>Assorted fresh sandwiches and wraps (egg, cheese, ham, tuna as available)</li> <li>Fresh salad bar</li> </ul> | Fresh fruit<br>Fruit jelly<br>Cheese & crackers |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|

## Archibald Attendance Aces

Last Friday afternoon pupils who had 100% attendance for Summer Term 2026 enjoyed a special extra playtime.



## Important

Pupils in Y5 and Y6 are able to walk home on their own but only if their parents/carers give written permission for them to do so. A permission form will need to be signed at the start of the year. If you give permission for your child to walk home on their own it is on the understanding that you are responsible for their safe conduct home at the end of the school day, or at the end of any after school club they may be attending.

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



**Archibald Primary**



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



**EVERY TUESDAY FROM 8.45AM  
AT ARCHIBALD PRIMARY SCHOOL**



STORIES, SINGING AND GAMES  
FREE SNACKS & DRINKS

SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY  
OPPORTUNITY TO CHAT WITH NEW PEOPLE  
MAKE FRIENDS

**FREE FAMILY FUN!**



Rhyme Time sessions for children 0 -2 years and their parents/carers restart on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September** in the dining hall from 8.45am. Sessions will be led by Mrs McCourt and new participants are always welcome. Come along, make friends and join in the fun with other parents of children of a similar age

## Secondary School Admissions September 2027

The admissions procedures for current Year 6 pupils to start secondary school in September 2027 will open soon.

Please see below for details of local secondary school open events to help you make informed decisions around which secondary schools to apply to.

| School Name              | Date     | Start Time |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|
| Outwood Riverside        | 16.09.26 | 4pm        |
| Outwood Ormesby          | 15.09.26 | 4pm        |
| Macmillan Academy        | 17.09.26 | 4pm        |
| Outwood Acklam           | 22.09.26 | 4.30pm     |
| Acklam Grange            | 01.10.26 | 4.30pm     |
| Kings Academy            | 08.10.26 | 5pm        |
| Trinity Catholic College | 30.09.26 | 3pm        |
| Unity City Academy       | 24.09.26 | 4pm        |

Should you have any queries regarding the events, please contact the relevant school directly.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY AT THE START AND END OF SCHOOL



**It is very important that children stay with the adult picking them up at the end of school.**

As the school site is so busy younger children should hold the adult's hand so the adult knows where they are at all times.

The end of school is not a playtime and pupils must not be running around in the playgrounds playing on equipment or elsewhere on the school site.

In order to help keep the site safe, scooters and bikes should be pushed to the gates and not ridden on the school site. This rule applies to pupils and adults. **Please ensure any cycles of scooters left in the cycle storage area are tidy and not blocking the path.**

Please leave the school site promptly at the end of school.

Gates are locked at 3.15pm

**Please remember that our school site is smoke free. Smoking and vaping on the school site is not allowed at any time.**

## PE 2026 -2027

Many pupils love their PE lessons, learn lots of new skills and knowledge and go forward to represent the school at a number of competitions with some fantastic results.

This year, PE will continue to be taught by **specialist PE teachers** from Macmillan Academy. In all lessons the Class Teaching Assistant will be assisting the PE teacher.

### School PE Kit

A school PE kit consists of dark blue or black shorts and a dark blue t-shirt which we expect all pupils to wear for PE lessons. In colder weather, pupils may wear tracksuit bottoms for outdoor PE. These should be dark blue or black wherever possible. Plimsolls or trainers are needed for outside PE.

**Football kits, football shirts and branded sportswear are not appropriate PE kit and should not be worn.**

In order to save time and make the most of each PE lesson, pupils should come to school in their PE kit on PE days. If the weather is cold they should wear their school jumper over the top and can wear plain navy blue or black jogging bottoms over their shorts. Please make sure your child is wearing their PE kit in school on the correct days. We have spare kit available to lend if required.

**Please help your child by ensuring all PE kit is named.**

For PE days, please see page 1 of the newsletter.

### Archibald Primary School PE Timetable 2026 – 2027

| Day       | Teacher     | Classes          |
|-----------|-------------|------------------|
| Monday    | Mr Foreman  | 7, 8, 13, 9, 16  |
| Tuesday   | Mr Hadfield | 3, 4, 14, 12, 18 |
| Wednesday | Mr Rayner   | 5, 6, 15, 11, 17 |
| Thursday  | Mr Hadfield | 1, 2             |

## START OF TERM REMINDERS

Please do not allow children to bring money into school, except for proper purposes. Wherever possible, please try to make payments for lunches, Breakfast Club, trips and visit etc using the School Money app. If you need help setting this up, please speak to our office staff.

Sweets and chewing gum are also not allowed in school.

**Make up, fake tan, false nails, nail varnish and jewellery must not be worn in school.**

This includes rings, earrings, bracelets and necklaces. Pupils are not allowed to wear body piercings. Pupils who are found to be wearing these items will be asked to remove them and they will be kept safe until the end of the day.

Pupils who have had their ears pierced may wear small ear stud type earrings which prevent the holes closing up again.

In these instances, the school can not accept any responsibility for loss or damage to the ear studs, or injury caused to either the wearer or another child or adult resulting from the wearing of the ear studs.

Please be aware if a pupil cannot remove their own ear-rings when asked, parents/carers will be called to help remove them. Parents/carers of pupils who wear ear studs will be asked to sign a disclaimer which is available from the school office. The disclaimer will be kept on file in the school office. Pupils wearing nail varnish will be asked to remove it.

Due to the number of stairs and the fact that children need to be safe whilst in the playgrounds, shoes should be flat or low heeled. 'Strappy' sandals which provide little support, sliders or Crocs should not be worn.

## Look what's coming up this term!

From the Stone Age to Ancient China, seaside poetry to pneumatic machines — here's a taste of the exciting learning your children will be diving into across school this autumn.

### OUR VALUES: MAGIC · LORIC · 5 Golden Rules

Whole-school focus: "Fantastic Walking" — **Sivako! Rise to the challenge**



#### YEAR 1 Childhood Then & Now

HISTORY · ART · EARLY READING

- **History:** stepping back to the 1950s — timelines, family trees and Queen Elizabeth II's 1953 coronation.
- **English:** cosy story favourites including Peace at Last, Percy the Park Keeper and Katie Morag.
- **Art:** mixing the colour wheel — discovering primary and secondary colours.
- **Geography:** using maps to see how our local area has changed over time.
- **Reading skills:** predict, retrieve, infer, sequence and summarise.



#### YEAR 3 Through the Ages

HISTORY · GEOGRAPHY · ART

- **History:** journeying from the Stone Age to the Bronze and Iron Ages.
- **English:** the adventures of Stone Age Boy and real letters from WW1.
- **Geography:** One Planet, Our World.
- **Art:** Contrast & Complement, and shaping our own Prehistoric Pots.
- **Writing:** vivid descriptive writing inspired by our topics.



#### YEAR 5 Dynamic Dynasties

HISTORY · GEOGRAPHY · D&T

- **History:** Ancient China and the Shang Dynasty — oracle bones and legacy. **School trip to the Oriental Museum, Durham.**
- **Geography:** the Prime Meridian, time zones, climate zones and biomes.
- **Maths:** place value, the four operations and fractions.
- **D&T:** designing and building working pneumatic machines.
- **Art:** tints, tones and shades — landscape painting and the Taotie motif.



#### YEAR 2 Significant People & Living Things

HISTORY · SCIENCE · D&T

- **History:** significant artists, monarchs and explorers who changed the world.
- **English:** seaside poetry and starfish non-fiction, plus poems by Ahlberg & McGough.
- **D&T:** reading recipes and cooking up a healthy Eton Mess.
- **Science:** exploring local habitats and how living things depend on each other.
- **Art:** the colour wheel and how artists use colour in their work.



#### YEAR 4 Invaders & Settlers

HISTORY · GEOGRAPHY · ART

- **History:** the Vikings — raiders, settlers and the Norman invasion of England.
- **Geography:** exploring the continents of North and South America.
- **Map skills:** using the compass rose to find our way.
- **Art:** creating our own woven landscapes.
- **Music:** learning and performing traditional Christmas carols.



#### YEAR 6 Freedom & Maafa

ENGLISH · HISTORY · SCIENCE

- **English:** Freedom — Nat's journey from a Jamaican plantation to England.
- **History:** Maafa — Africa's ancient kingdoms and Black British changemakers such as Mary Seacole and Claudia Jones.
- **Science:** the human circulatory system.
- **Art:** Colour & Style — celebrating Trailblazers and Barrier Breakers.
- **School trip to Heugh Battery, plus catch-up swimming.**

#### ALSO THIS TERM:

class trips out and about · our "Fantastic Walking" campaign helping everyone move safely and calmly around school.

**EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY, EVERY OPPORTUNITY**