



Middlethorpe Newsletter

October 2024

End of term reflections

As our first half-term of the year draws to a close, I wanted to take this opportunity to put this newsletter together to celebrate the successes of this term.

I would also like to say thank you to all of you for your support this term and for welcoming me in my new role.

Mr Claybourn

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Once again our MacMillan Coffee morning was very well supported and attended.

We were absolutely delighted to have raised a magnificent £289 for such a worthy cause.



Attendance

97.5%

Our average attendance across the academy for this half-term has been 97.5%.

Great attendance gives every child the best chance of success. Thank you for your support in this regard.

Year 6 residential

The final week of term saw our Y6 cohort head to the Robin Wood centre in Lancashire on their residential visit.

The feedback from the pupils, school staff and the centre has been fantastic.

Well done, Y6!



School Council

Our newly appointed Y6 School Councillors have already been instrumental in contributing to a number of changes we have made to break and lunch times. See overleaf.

Play Leaders

A couple of weeks ago we appointed a number of Y5/6 children as Play Leaders. These children have done a fantastic job of facilitating play at break and lunch times.



Sporting Success

Well done to all of the children who have represented MPA at sporting competitions this term.

- Y5/6 Girls' football team attended a competition
- Y3/4 Basketball Team won their competition
- Y5/6 Basketball Team attended a competition
- All of Y4 went to Caistor Yarborough to represent MPA at a football competition.



Changes at lunch

Over the last couple of weeks we have trialled some changes at lunch time.

We have zoned out the playgrounds and have tried to get them being utilised more at lunch for games, sport and PE.

We have recruited a number of Young Leaders to lead and facilitate games and play on the playground.

We have brought the MUGA back into use for lunch time football too and this is timetabled across KS2.

The trial seems to have been a real success as we have seen improvements in engagement and behaviour during lunchtimes.

The School Council have worked with us to establish a wish list of equipment which we have since ordered. We've just taken delivery of new netball posts today and have skipping ropes and parachutes on the way.



Mental Health

School was a sea of yellow as we marked #HelloYellow day for World Mental Health day to show every young person that it's okay to talk. No one is alone with their mental health.



Halloween Disco

Tuesday 29th October

FS/Y1/Y2 (KS1) 4pm-4:55pm

Y3/4/5/6 (KS2) 5pm-6pm

TICKETS AVAILABLE £2 each from the office anytime

Drinks (fizzy Mini Pops 330ml), sweets and crisps will be on sale during the disco.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 29th Oct - School opens for pupils and Halloween disco

Thursday 7th Nov - Parents Evening 1.30-7.00pm

Monday 11th Nov - Flu vaccinations

Monday 11th Nov - Anti-bullying week

Friday 15th Nov - Children in Need

Monday 9th Dec/Tuesday 10th Dec - Y5 Bikeability

Wednesday 11th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 17th Dec - Panto

Thursday 19th Dec - End of term award assembly 9.15am

Break up for Christmas holidays 2.30pm

School Games Mark

We are delighted to reveal we have been awarded the School Games Gold Award for 2023-24 for our commitment to School Sport and PE. This is our 4th Gold award in a row.

