

MIDFIELD MESSENGER


Spring term 1
Edition

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reach the end of our penultimate half-term, I'd like to take a moment to celebrate the achievements and experiences of our wonderful school community. Over the past five or six weeks, children across the school have taken part in a wide range of exciting activities, and our newsletter is brimming with photographs and stories that capture just how much fun and learning has taken place. We hope you enjoy looking through it together!

A huge and heartfelt well done to our incredible Year 6 pupils who recently completed their statutory assessments (SATS). Your resilience, determination and positive attitude were truly inspiring – we are so proud of every single one of you.

We are confident that next term we will see equal determination from our Year 1 and Year 4 students as they prepare to undertake the national Phonics Screening and Multiplication Tests! Throughout the year, the children have done lots of preparations for these and we are sure they'll do a fantastic job when they complete this after half-term.

Today is also a special day for one of our staff members – Miss Kenny is getting married! We're sure you'll join us in sending her and her new husband our warmest congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy future together. What a lovely way to begin the half-term break!

We're also delighted to share some important staffing news. Miss Major will be expanding her current role as Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion to also become Assistant Headteacher for Teaching and Learning, and Mr McNulty has also been successfully appointed as a new Assistant Headteacher to further strengthen our leadership team. This news was shared with the children in today's assembly and has been met with great excitement for what's to come in September.



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Site Updates

After half-term, we will be sharing some very exciting news about a capital investment project planned for the next academic year, which will involve an expansion of our school buildings. This includes a new corridor upstairs and larger classrooms on the ground floor – developments that will enhance the learning environment for everyone.

We are currently awaiting the full details of the building plans and proposals. Once received, we will share them with you and invite families to a Q&A session where you'll have the chance to ask any specific questions. Watch this space for more information!

Looking Ahead to Next Term

The final half-term of the school year is always a special one, and next term is already shaping up to be full of exciting events and celebrations – from sports days to productions, trips, and our end-of-year celebrations. It's a busy and memorable time for everyone, so please do take a moment to check the calendar section later in the newsletter to make sure you don't miss any key dates.

Wishing all our families a relaxing and enjoyable half-term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday 3rd June (a reminder that Monday is an INSET day and school will be closed).

Kind regards,

Mr Osborn



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Butterflies Nursery

Butterflies have had a busy term. We have been learning about plants and we planted our own sunflower seeds. We celebrated World Bee Day by visiting the beehive in the Midfield grounds and we have been watching our caterpillar babies grow and grow!



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Classroom News

Reception Bluebirds & Grasshoppers

Reception took a walk to the shops to buy ingredients to make gingerbread men!



We also had a great VE day picnic!



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Year 1 Owls & Ladybirds

Year 1 have had a very busy term. We have been learning about rhyming words, Charles Darwin, how to sew, the parts of plants and trees, St George's Day and have also been on a trip to Chislehurst Caves! We also celebrated VE day!



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 Classroom
News

Year 2 Foxes & Rabbits

We have had yet another busy half term in Year 2! We loved reading our story 'The real story of the three little pigs' we learnt the importance of clear instructions in the funniest way!

While the sun is beginning to make an appearance, we have spent some time in the eco garden preparing our plots for our sunflowers. We can't believe there's only one half term left of



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*Classroom
News*

Year 3 Dragonflies & Hedgehogs

This term we really enjoyed going to Pizza express on a school trip and our VE day picnic!



In DT this term we have been making kites!



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Year 4 Squirrels & Beetles



Year 4 have had a great half term with VE Day celebrations and lots of opportunities for preparing for our MTC next term!

A big focus for us this term has been keeping healthy and making good food choices. We have also carried our investigations into how our digestive system works and how to keep our teeth healthy.



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Year 5 Robins & Woodpeckers



Year 5 have been very busy this term. Our trip to Kemnal College to saw us baking some delicious cookies and taking part in a range of PE activities.

We also listened to the history of VE day from a special historical guest speaker on the 6th May. We held artefacts from the time period and saw photographs of VE day celebrations that took place across the country in 1945!



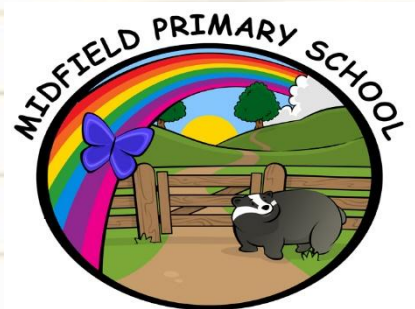
Year 6 Ravens & Kestrels



Year 6 have all conducted themselves incredibly well this term as they undertook their SATs examinations.

It was a long week, but the children were able to finish it off with a wonderful trip to the beach, whereon they competed in Mr. G and Miss Kenny's sandcastle competition.

We are now preparing for our end of year performance...



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Tree House



Godstone Farm & Sensory theatre!



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

22nd April 2025 - 23rd May 2025

Bluebirds	92%	Grasshoppers	93%
Owls	95%	Ladybirds	95%
Foxes	95%	Rabbits	93%
Hedgehogs	93%	Dragonflies	95%
Squirrels	93%	Beetles	97%
Woodpeckers	94%	Robins	95%
Kestrels	97%	Ravens	97%

Total	94% (Midfield) 94.6% (National Average)
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297 children this term have gone above the expected 96%.
268 of those 297 have 100% attendance!! Amazing keep going everyone!



Scout & Hunter
encouraging good attendance

To be eligible for Pupil Premium, families should be in receipt of the following:

- Income support
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (providing you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit), with a gross annual household income of no more than £16,190 (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs-HMRC)
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment received for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit, with a net annual household income of £7,400 or less (after tax and not including any other benefits you receive).

Bromley link to apply for Pupil Premium:

<https://www.bromley.gov.uk/FreeSchoolMeals>

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To the wonderful Midfield community,

Time flies so quickly and we are already at the end another half term. The PTA would like to thank all of the amazing parents and teachers who kindly gave up their time to help at the Spring Dance at the end of last term, it wouldn't have been a success without your support.

We are very busy planning the Midfield Summer Fair, and all relevant information will be issued in a special PTA Summer Fair Newsletter - please see our separate Dojo post. We hope this to be our largest event to date, and have plenty of exciting activities and events planned, and would welcome all the help we can muster as a community.

Please also look out for our other special edition newsletter about PTA Fundraising. We appreciate all of your support of our events and we would like to share the exciting school projects that we are fundraising for. We have some short and long term goals, and have also included other projects we hope to move on to in the future.

We thank you again, and hope you all enjoy the upcoming break.

Very best wishes,

Mary

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Spring Menu 2025

MIDFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY MENU

WEEK 1
WEEK 2
WEEK 3



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	SPAGHETTI BEEF BOLOGNESE (G/W)	PEPPERONI PIZZA (MK, G/W)	ROAST CHICKEN & GRAVY	CHICKEN ARRABBIATA (CE, G/W)	FISH FINGERS & CHIPS (F, G/W)
VEGGIE	VEGETABLE BOLOGNESE WITH SPAGHETTI (G/W) V	MARGHERITA PIZZA (MK, G/W)	CHEESE & TOMATO PASTY (E, MK, G/W)	TOMATO & OLIVE ARRABBIATA (G/W) V	VEGAN NUGGETS & CHIPS (G/W) V
SIDES	GARLIC BREAD & GREEN SALAD (MK*, SO*, G/W)	SEASONED POTATO WEDGES & BAKED BEANS (G/W)	RUSTIC ROAST POTATOES & MEDLEY OF SEASONAL VEGETABLES S	SEASONAL VEGETABLES S	BEANS OR PEAS
PUD	CHOCOLATE CAKE & FRESH CREAM (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	ICED VANILLA SPONGE (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	HONEY & RAISIN FLAPJACK (G/B*, O, W*)	FRESH FRUIT	CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE (E, MK, SO, G/W)

THEME DAYS



JACKET POTATO | DAILY SALAD BAR | HOMEMADE BREAD | FRESH FRUIT | SELECTION OF COLD DESSERT POTS

DATES

6TH JAN / 27TH JAN / 24TH
FEB / 17TH MAR

ALLERGENS

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CR = CRUSTACEAN G = GLUTEN G/R = RYE MK = MILK N = NUTS SU = SULPHUR V = VEGAN
E = EGGS G/B = BARLEY G/W = WHEAT MO = MOLLUSCS P = PEANUTS SE = SESAME SEEDS S = SEASONAL VEG



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WEEK 1
WEEK 2
WEEK 3



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MAIN	BEEF BURGER & HOMEMADE POTATO WEDGES (SE*, SO, SU, G/W)	CHICKEN & TOMATO BASIL PASTA (CE, G/W)	ROAST BEEF & GRAVY	MAKHANI CHICKEN CURRY (MK, G/B*, O*, R*, W*)	BATTERED FISH & CHIPS (F, G/W)
VEGGIE	VEGETABLE BURGER & HOMEMADE POTATO WEDGES (SE*, G/W) V	TOMATO & BASIL PASTA (CE, G/W) V	THYME & GARLIC ROASTED QUORN (G/W) V	JERK VEGETABLE BURRITO (CE, G/B*, O*, R*, W) V	MARGHERITA PIZZA (MK, G/W)
SIDES	BAKED BEANS OR COLESLAW (E)	GARLIC BREAD & GREEN SALAD (MK*, SO*, G/W)	RUSTIC ROAST POTATOES & SEASONAL VEGETABLES S	RICE & PEAS SELECTION OF SEASONAL VEGETABLES S	BEANS OR PEAS
PUD	CHOCOLATE CAKE & FRESH CREAM (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	LEMON DRIZZLE CAKE (E, MK, SO*, SU, G/W)	STRAWBERRY MOUSSE (MK)	CHOCOLATE & ORANGE BROWNIE (E, MK, SO, G/W)	FRUIT JELLY

JACKET POTATO | DAILY SALAD BAR | HOMEMADE BREAD | FRESH FRUIT | SELECTION OF COLD DESSERT POTS

THEME DAYS



DATES

13TH JAN / 3RD FEB / 3RD MAR / 24TH MAR

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WEEK 1
WEEK 2
WEEK 3



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MAIN	CHICKEN FAJITAS (G/W)	BEEF BURGER & SEASONED POTATO WEDGES (SE*, SO, SU, G/W)	ROAST CHICKEN & GRAVY	MOROCCAN MEATBALLS & RICE (SO, SU, G/B*, O*, R*, W)	FISH FINGERS & CHIPS (F, G/W)
VEGGIE	VEGETABLE & BEAN FAJITA (CE, MU, G/B*, O*, R*, W) V	VEGETABLE BURGER & HOMEMADE POTATO WEDGES (SE*, G/W) V	ROASTED VEGETABLE FILO PARCEL & HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE (G/W) V	ROASTED QUORN & VEGETABLES WITH TOMATO SAUCE & RICE (CE, E)	VEGGIE SAUSAGE ROLL & CHIPS (MK*, SO, G/B, W)
SIDES	RICE & SWEETCORN	BAKED BEANS OR COLESLAW (E)	RUSTIC ROAST POTATOES & SEASONAL VEGETABLES S	SEASONAL VEGETABLES S	BEANS OR PEAS
PUD	CARAMEL APPLE CRUMBLE & CUSTARD (MK, G/W)	RICE KRISPIE CAKE (E, MK, SO, G/B, W)	VANILLA SHORTBREAD BISCUIT (G/W)	CHOCOLATE MOUSSE (MK)	ICE CREAM (MK)

JACKET POTATO | DAILY SALAD BAR | HOMEMADE BREAD | FRESH FRUIT | SELECTION OF COLD DESSERT POTS

THEME DAYS



DATES

20TH JAN / 10TH FEB / 10TH MAR / 31ST MAR

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Midfield's Voluntary Hardship Fund

Further to the recent parent surveys, some of the feedback collected highlighted a decline in off-site school trips, visits and experiences at Midfield and we are keen to address this and make it better.

We are working collectively with different stakeholders to improve this, but one of the key factors of why trips teachers plan aren't able to go ahead, is because of projected cost implications and a short-fall in parent contributions. We do appreciate that everybody is feeling the affects of the cost-of-living crisis, but equally, we recognise there are some children and families who this affects more.

Sadly, the funding we receive as a school to support with things like this is now being stretched across other areas (e.g. resources in school, supporting children with additional needs, pastoral support, PIT Stop etc). Largely this is in response to the pandemic which has resulted in many children needing a greater response in terms of their emotional mental health and wellbeing. We don't regret this decision because this is incredibly important and our services provide such a positive impact. It's just unfortunate there's not always enough within our money pots to go around!

To help us overcome this barrier though, we have commenced a voluntary hardship fund. This is a fund where parents/families can make a donation, effectively sponsoring a child at Midfield who's family may be unable to help with paying the full cost of school trips and events. If everyone contributes just a little, it could make a huge difference to some of our most vulnerable children and families and will hopefully mean far more opportunities for all of our children to enjoy.

In order to make a donation, please visit Parent Pay - the Voluntary Hardship Fund has been setup for parents and staff to make contributions, as little or as much as you like and can afford.

Any donation received, would be gratefully appreciated.

Save the date



- 2/6 - Staff Inset Day
- 3/6 - 10.00am Nursery New Starter Admin Meeting
- 10/6 - 9.45am Nursery Open Morning
- 11/6 - Year 3 Trip to The Knole
- 11/6 - 9.00am New Reception starters parent meeting
- 12/6 Treehouse trip to Eynsford River
- 16/6 and 17/6 - Reception Bike and Scooter Day
- 16/6 - 20/6 Y6 Enterprise week
- 18/6 - 13.30pm New Reception starters Stay and Play 1
- 22/6 - 25/6 Year 6 Windmill Hill PGL trip
- 22/6 - 26/6 School Diversity Week
- 24/6 Treehouse trip to Pets at Home
- 27/6 Treehouse Sports Day
- 2/7 13.30pm New Reception starters Stay and Play 2
- 4/7 Sports Day KS1 AM and KS2 PM weather permitting,
alternative date is 11/7
- 9/7 Reception trip to Danson Park
- 10/7 Year 4 trip to Science Museum
- 12/7 PTA Summer Fair
- 14/7 Reception Colour Run
- 15/7 Year 6 Evening performance 6PM
- 15/7 Year 5 trip to Howletts Zoo
- 16/7 Class Swap Day
- 17/7 Treehouse Beach Trip
- 17/7 Year 6 Afternoon 1.45PM and evening 6PM performance
to parents
- 23/7 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15AM
- 23/7 Last day of term
- 1/9 Staff Inset day
- 2/9 Staff inset day
- 3/9 Children return to school



**NO PETS OR
ANIMALS ON
SCHOOL
GROUNDS**

A polite reminder that animals are not permitted on site*

While we appreciate that our four-legged friends are 'part of the family' and are often child-friendly, animals present a risk for allergy sufferers as well as potential hygiene issues should nature call. As always and in accordance with relevant guidance, *guide-dogs and other assistance animals are welcome on site as needed.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Midfield extra curricular clubs

Midfield Clubs

- Football @Lunchtime
- Games Club
- Chess Club
- Beekeeping Club
- Lego Club
- 4 Square/Basket Ball
- 11+ intervention
- School Choir
- Bee Club
(commencing soon)

External Providers

- Football
- Swimming
- Ballet
- Gymnastics
- STEM Club
- Performing Arts
- Science Club
- Street Dance

Bexley Music

- Guitar
- Violin
- Flute
- Piano/Keyboard