

Archibald News

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Every child is special in our happy, caring school

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"Every child is special in our happy, caring school." "Každé dítě je zvláštní v naší šťastný, pečující školy." "Každe dziecko jest wyjątkowy w naszej szkole szczęśliwy, troskliwy "

ATTENDANCE NEWS Every School Day Matters

Our attendance target is 96%.

School attendance for last week (wb 15.9.14) was 94.5% which is below target ☹.

Well done to everyone who was in school on time every day.

The classes with the highest attendance were Class 7, and Class 13 and Class 16, each with 100%

Unauthorised Absence – Holidays in term time

An absence is classified as unauthorised when a child is away from school without the permission of both the school and a parent. This means that an absence is unauthorised if a child is away from school without good reason, even with the support of a parent

Following changes in Government legislation, Mrs Jefferies is not able to authorise leave of absence for any pupils to take a holiday during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please be aware that if you proceed to take your child out of school for a holiday during term time you are likely to receive a Penalty Notice which is issued by Middlesbrough Council. Currently this is £60 per adult per child. This increase to £120 per adult per child if not paid within 21 days. This means that two parents taking a child out of school for a holiday in term time could be fined up to £240 and if two parents take two children out of school for an holiday in term time the penalty notice could be for up to £480. In the past week Penalty Notices have been issued to a number of parents. For your information a list of school term dates and holiday dates is on the back of this newsletter.

MAGIC

The theme this week is 'I learn'.

Throughout the week teachers will be helping pupils to recognise the different ways in which they learn new and exciting things.

Dahlicious Dress-Up Day Thank You

A big thank you to all the pupils, parents and carers who supported our Dahlicious Dress Up day last Friday. Over £115 was raised through the £1 donations which will help enable Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity to continue helping seriously ill children in the UK.

Triangulation Meetings

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have met with teachers over the past two weeks. Unfortunately a number of parents/carers were unable to make their appointments. These will be chased up in the next few weeks. If you were unable to meet with your child's teacher/s please contact the school office so that an alternative mutually convenient time can be arranged. It is very important to meet with your child's teacher at this time of year to discuss targets and progress and to sign important forms, for example to give permission for your child to participate in school visits.

Coming Soon...

Fr Glyn's Harvest Appeal 2014. Information to follow soon.

On the back...

Holiday Dates,
Parent Academy
Information



Archibald Primary School Term Dates and Holidays 2014 - 2015

Autumn Term 2014

Professional Development Day 1	Monday 1 st September
Professional Development Day 2	Tuesday 2 nd September
School opens for pupils	Wednesday 3 rd September
<u>Half term Holiday</u>	
School closes to pupils	Thursday 23 rd October
Professional Development Day 3	Friday 24 th October
School re-opens for pupils	Monday 3 rd November
School Closes for Christmas Holiday	Friday 19 th December

Spring Term 2015

School opens for pupils	Monday 5 th January 2015
<u>Half term Holiday</u>	
School closes to pupils	Friday 13 th February
School re-opens for pupils	Monday 23 rd February
School Closes for Easter Holiday	Friday 27 th March

Summer Term 2015

School opens for pupils	Monday 13 th April
May Bank Holiday – School Closed	Monday 4 th May
<u>Half term Holiday</u>	
School closes to pupils	Friday 22 nd May
School re-opens for pupils	Monday 1 st June
School Closes for Summer Holiday	Friday 17 th July
Professional Development Day 5	Monday 20 th July

Autumn Term 2015

School opens for pupils	Wednesday 2 nd September*
<u>Half term Holiday</u>	
School closes to pupils	Friday 23 rd October 2015
School re-opens for pupils	Monday 2 nd November 2015
School Closes for Christmas Holiday	Friday 18 th December

Notes:-

* provisional date – subject to confirmation

Professional Development Day 4 is still to be allocated.

Middlesbrough Co-operative Learning Trust.



Thank you for supporting the school in our move to become part of Middlesbrough Co-operative Learning Trust. The head teachers of the 7 schools are now preparing a schedule of work to share best practice across our staff and to ensure that our pupils receive the very best education.

Parent Academy Update

Our Parents' Academy programme will start after the October half-term. The research team are helping us to organise the project. Parents will be assigned to one of three groups randomly:

1. The 'business as usual' group who will be able to take part in Archibald activities for parents
2. The Parents Academy group who will receive the same as Group 1 and 18 sessions about their child's learning
3. The Parents' Academy and incentives group who will receive all of the above plus financial incentives for attending the sessions

The research will determine which works the best in encouraging children to learn well. The academy sessions will focus on English and Mathematics skills which will be useful for both adults and children. Any parents who are not chosen this year for Group 2 or 3 could be included in future years once the results are known.



Parent Academy
Middlesbrough & Camden