



Welcome to our **Feelgood Friday** assembly.

Enjoy the music while we wait for the classes to join.

Please mute your microphone while you wait.





# Feel Good Friday Newsletter

29th April  
2022

UNLOCKING  POTENTIAL





## From the Headteacher's Office...



Dear Parents and Carers, **Message from Mrs McGonigle and Mr Fry**

We hope you enjoyed some special family time together over the Easter period.

The learning has started in earnest this term and whenever I've visited classrooms I have seen enthusiasm and excitement for learning with children keen to show me what they have achieved. We are all acutely aware of the challenges that extended periods of time away from school have caused. However, we also understand that in order for academic progress to be made, the school has to be a place of nurture, full of warm, positive relationships. These are a priority if children are going to learn effectively. Happy children are learning children!

The Covid guidance has changed again. However, our maxim will continue to be that if a child is symptomatic we will be asking you to collect them and keep them at home for the 3 recommended days when they are likely to be most infectious. That said we do still anticipate opening up more in the summer. The anticipation of a more normal summer term is almost more than many of us can bear but it is in sight! The children and staff have worked so hard last term and now Year 2 and Year 6 are busy preparing for their SATs assessments.

**ATTENDANCE:** please continue to strive for 100% attendance. Lost days = Lost learning.

We are aware of our social responsibility to our families and the impact that is going to be felt by the increase of the cost of living and would like to do whatever we can to support our families. We give every child a bagel every morning and will look at other ways to help. The Bretton Baptist Church is the local food bank.

We continue to pray for all those families engaged in or threatened by war or conflict anywhere in the world and to stop the blood and tears.

### Dates & Events for the Diary

Have a wonderful weekend and whatever you do, be kind.

Best wishes, Mrs McGonigle and Mr Fry

**Half Term:** Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June 2022

**Return to school:** Monday 6 June

**Wednesday 11 May:** Year 4 swimming @ AM

# Covid 19 Information

- ▶ As you may be aware, the NHS [COVID-19 symptoms in adults](#) and [symptoms in children](#) have been updated. Adults and children who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, should follow the [UKHSA guidance](#).
- ▶ Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

## Testing

- ▶ Some individuals may choose to test, either with residual free testing kits or via test kits purchased from pharmacies
- ▶ • Children and young people with a positive test should stay at home and avoid contact with others for 3 days. They can return to education after 3 days provided they have no high temperature and feel well
- ▶ • Adults who test positive should stay at home and avoid contact with others for 5 days. They can return to the workplace after 5 days provided they have no high temperature and feel well

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## PUPIL DETAILS

It is essential that we have up to date records for every child in school, particularly home address, email and mobile phone numbers. If you have moved or changed phone numbers, please call 01733 262696 or email [office@mps.pkat.co.uk](mailto:office@mps.pkat.co.uk)

COMMUNITY



## Medication

If your child requires prescribed medication during the school day, you must complete a Medication form.

## Head Injuries

We have introduced a new system for minor head bumps/injuries. Instead of calling parents, we are contacting parents/ carers via email when a child has a minor bump to the head. This system occurs successfully in other schools and does not expect parents to 'drop everything' to come into school if our qualified First Aiders have assessed them.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Applying for free school meals is quick and simple to do using the online application form at

[Click Here](#)

## Injuries

(outside of school)

If your child has an injury, such as a broken bone, please do let us know as soon as possible. We will need to put a care plan in place before they return to school.

## Illness/Other Absences

If your child is ill, please **email** or **call** the school office on **01733 262696** and select option 1 to leave a message. The absence line is available 24/7.

Don't Forget!



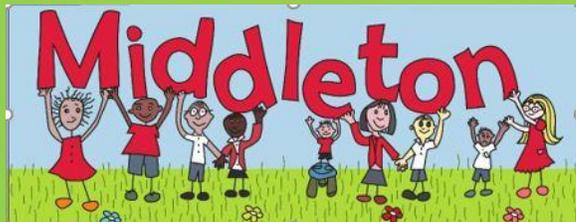
## Healthy snacks & water bottles

Children can bring in a healthy snack to have at break time. This **MUST NOT** be chocolate or nuts – we are a nut free school.

Children **must** bring in a named water bottle.



**NOW OPEN**  
NEW AFTERSCHOOL CLUB  
FOR MIDDLETON  
CHILDREN and time  
extending to 5.45pm soon.  
Also introducing a  
breakfast club



**SIMPLY**  
OUT OF SCHOOL



**After School club**

**NOW OPEN**

**Monday – Friday**  
**3:15-5:15pm**



Contracted and 'Ad hoc' Sessions Welcome

After School club operating at South Bretton Family  
and Community Centre for children attending  
Middleton Primary School.



We have a wide range of equipment such as daily craft, dolls, football table, games  
consoles, cars, trains, role play and much more.



**Snack and Refreshments Included**  
(Allergies and Preferences welcome)



Emergency / One off bookings welcome.

Cross Keys Homes are generously funding 50% of the cost per child,  
which has greatly reduced the price for Middleton families.

Prices: Full session - Contract £4.00 'Ad hoc' session £5.00

The maximum capacity is 16 children – book now to avoid disappointment!

For further information regarding registration please contact us  
direct at Simply Out of School.



PETERBOROUGH KEYS  
ACADEMIES TRUST

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# Class Champions EYFS and Lower School

Learning with our head, heart and hands

Joy and  
Kamil  
3ET

Joseph  
and Mason  
2KB

Emmanuel  
and  
Thomas  
3ET

Andrea  
2RT/PO

David  
Owls

Klay  
Ladybirds

Isla  
Butterflies

Mathew  
& Skyla  
3OW

Lacey  
m &  
Ralph  
2KB

Peter  
Robins

Emily &  
Viktorija  
3OW

Tyler  
Butterflies

Nikolasz  
2RT/PO

Angeliki  
Ladybirds

PERSONAL  
BEST



# Class Champions Upper School

Learning with our head, heart and hands

Botaa  
Y6

Igor  
5AH/MS

Jayden-Lee  
5AH/MS

Sydney  
4CP

Amara  
4CP

Emily  
4NB

Krystian  
4NB

Amelia  
Y6

Maya  
Y6

Helan  
Y6

Nicola  
4CP

Riley  
5AH/MS

Sali  
5AA

Amelia  
5AA

Marks  
4CP

PERSONAL  
BEST



## Martial Arts



Sara R (4CP) had her Tae Kwon-Do grading on 03/04. Having succeeded in the examination she has been granted recognition as 7th cup and is now a proud owner of green stripe belt



# PERSONAL BEST



Achievements and success inside AND outside of school.



If your child achieves a 'Personal Best' out of school, please email a photo to [office@mps.pkat.co.uk](mailto:office@mps.pkat.co.uk) so we can share their wonderful achievements on this page every week.



## Football

Lilly-Mae (6CP/AM) plays for Netherton United they played in the Northants Count cup final for U12 Girls on Sunday and they won!! Lilly-Mae played the whole match and did amazing.

Ruan Alappat (Butterflies) got 'Star of the class' Certificate for his performance in Martial Arts.



Drama

Gymnastics

Kickboxing

Swimming

Horse Riding

# Sports this week

The children are still enjoying the Daily Mile and winning prizes for it!



It was lovely to get out in the sunshine last week and be active! - Miss Brenchley and year 2

As a thank you for allowing Peter Burrow to visit your school this year POSH would love to offer you 2 x Free tickets - keep an eye out for the letter from school!

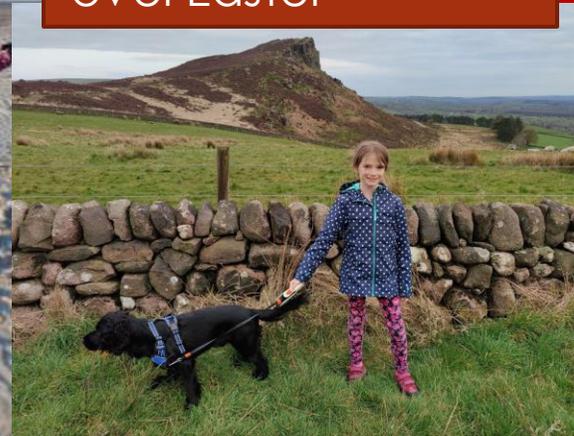


Well done to Mr Burrows for completing a 5k Tough Mudder at the weekend!



Well done to Julia for being so active over Easter

**#Healthy selfie**



# And the winner is....



KS1 Winner

KS2 Winner



Paige  
Year 2

Nicolas  
Year 3

Mrs Taylor asked the children to create their very own veggie monster for the Eat Them to Defeat Them competition and the winners have been chosen!

A huge well done and thank you to all who took part.

Winners please see Mrs Taylor to collect your prize!

# Birthdays this week

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Mrs Greenwood

Mrs Kowalik

Mrs Christen



Faith 8

Jonathan 11

Amy 11

Salifyanji 10

Amina 11

Kayden 5

Angela 6

Mrs Markham

Mathew 8

Cezar 11

Nanma 11

Dominik 8

Thia 11

Amina 6

Izabela 7



Happy Birthday from everyone at Middleton!



Year 3's previous topic – Athens v Sparta

Athens	Sparta
Strong army, culture and arts.	Strong army, defend themselves.
took over other lands.	Sparta men joined the army.
men were in the army when to school for 2 years.	men were in the army when to school.
girls didn't go to school.	boys aged 7 went to army school.
boys went to school each day from age seven.	girls stayed home.
women had to stay at home.	women were not allowed to fight.
women were not allowed to fight.	women could own property.
is known for being the first place to be run as a democracy.	Sparta was ruled by 2 kings.

We answered a number of catalyst questions to develop our knowledge about Greece.

We looked at the differences between Athens and Sparta.

We have been learning about the Greek gods.

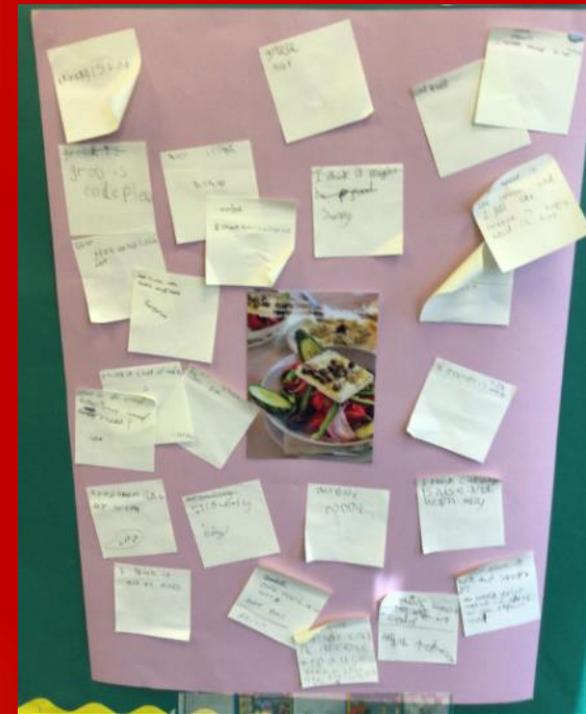
ZEUS  
 • ZEUS was the most powerful of all the gods. He was god of the sky and the King of Mount Olympus.  
 • He was married to the queen of the gods, Hera.



Hera  
 • Hera was the goddess of family and marriage.  
 • She was the wife of Zeus.  
 • She was powerful and beautiful but very jealous and vain.



Athena  
 Athena was the goddess of war, wisdom and crafts. Athena was the daughter of Zeus. She was born directly out of his forehead.  
 She was Zeus' favourite child.  
 Athena turned Medusa from a human into a monster.



We investigated pushes and pulls in our first lesson for our new topic.

# Year 3 Topic – May the force be with you



We have been learning about forces.



We will be learning about magnets.



We investigated how we can make swings go faster and higher.

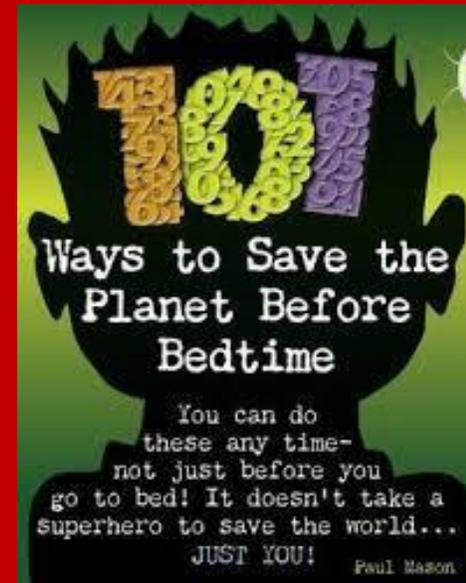
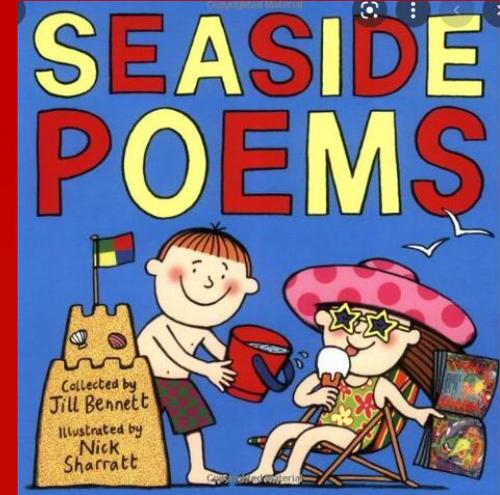
# Year 3 Music

This week was our first violin lesson! Miss McEvoy taught us how to pluck the 'D & G' strings on the violin!



# Year 3 Reading

In Miss Thompson's reading sessions, we have been reading seaside poems. We have been picking out rhyming words.



In Miss Want's reading sessions, we have been reading '101 Ways to Save the Planet Before Bedtime'. It's a non-fiction text and is full of useful tips on how to protect the planet.

## Year 3 RE

We are learning about Judaism. We learned about the 10 Commandments. We wrote and acted out scenes showing the possible consequences of breaking a commandment.



## Year 3 PE



We are doing Athletics this half term and this week focused on sprinting.

We are doing Cricket this half term.

# Minerva's School Uniform Reminder

I love to see you all looking smart. Please wear your school uniform everyday unless you are doing P.E. You should wear a white top, red jumper or cardigan and grey or black trousers, pinafore or skirt. Please wear black shoes or black trainers without logos.

On PE days, you should wear black shorts, joggers or leggings and a plain t-shirt.



Everyone  
around the  
world,  
come on!

Celebrate  
everything  
you have  
achieved this  
week.

You are all  
**AMAZING!**

