

Archibald First School

Autumn 1 Newsletter Number 2 2023

Attendance

As of 25.9.23, our whole school attendance is 97.7%. Well done to everyone who has been at school every day possible.



Our Archibald School rules...

We are...

ready



We are...

responsible



We are...

respectful



We are...

safe



Please share and support our school rules.

#School and Families together

Freebie

Children aged between 5 and 9 can get a free quarterly [LEGO Life magazine](#) subscription.

Please and Thank you

We have spoken to all of the children about being polite and respectful to everyone.

As children come into school, the staff always say good morning – please encourage children to respond back.

Together we want to use lots of these words:-

- Please
- Thank you
- Excuse me

We are also focusing on listening carefully to each other and following instructions as best we can.

Let's do this together at both home and school as it is so important that we are all good role models for our children.



Clubs

Mornings can be such a rush for us all when we are trying to get ourselves and our children ready for the day ahead.

If your child has a club before school, please do try to be on time as arriving late can cause a feeling of worry from your child when they enter and it disrupts the flow of the club for the leader and the other children.



Covid, Cold, Cough, Flu Symptoms...



Guidance regarding absence and steps to take is available through the NHS website. It's slightly different for adults and those under 18:

Adults: If you have a fever or a high temperature you should try to stay at home until you no longer have a temperature and feel well enough to return to work. This is normally within three days. If you decide to test for Covid

and it is positive, you should try to stay at home for five days from the day of the test, returning to work after that if you feel well enough. This is not compulsory, so if there isn't an alternative there is no reason not to leave the house to take young children to school etc.

Children: There is no need for children to be kept off school for sniffles and coughs, or mild symptoms of Covid. Children with a temperature or a fever should stay off school until the fever subsides or the temperature returns to normal. If they test positive for covid they should stay off for three days from the day of the test.

Headlice



Unfortunately, we have some extra visitors in school.. headlice.

Please check your children's hair tonight and ensure you treat it straight away.

After applying the treatment, comb the hair every evening with the headlice comb to clear any lice or eggs.

Retreat the hair after 1 week.

[Head lice and nits - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

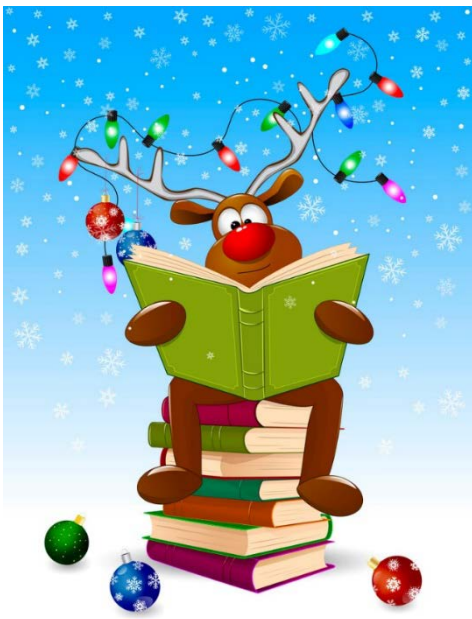
Did you know...

The government's [cost-of-living payment](#) is available for those receiving certain benefits or tax credits. Those who are eligible can get different types of payment depending on their situation:

- A cost-of-living payment, for people receiving a qualifying low-income benefit or tax credits
- A disability cost-of-living payment, for people receiving a qualifying disability benefit



Archibald Reads at Christmas...



Our new **Scholastic Book Club** is up and **running!** Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/archibald-first/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by November 30th, 2023.**

Perfect presents for those Christmas Stockings!

Photographs

Individual OR family photographs will be taken on 4th October. All children are to wear school uniform and to come to school with huge smiles...



Event Invitation 1

Creating Connections Coffee Mornings

Friday 6th October

Everyone at Archibald is invited to come along to our Creating Connections – School Community Coffee Morning on **Friday 6th October** from 9 am – 10.30 am in the dining hall.

This is an informal opportunity for you to talk to other families and parents. We hope that you can make lots of new connections.

Cake donations are welcome and if possible, these could be dropped off at school on **Thursday 5th October**. If they are home-made (shop bought are absolutely fine!!!!), please include a list of ingredients.

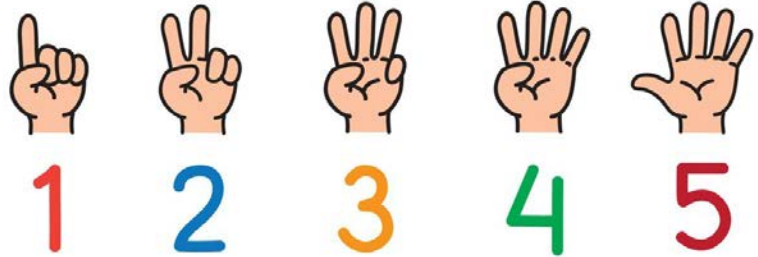
On the morning, we will collect loose change for MacMillan.



Safeguarding

Have you tried 'Show me 5...' with your children? We use this in many ways in school such as 'Show me 5...'

- Trusted adults
- Ways to eat healthily
- Ways to stay fit
- Stay safe on line
- Ways to cross a road
- Be a good friend



In school, the school leaders would deal with any safeguarding concerns overall but our key message to the children is to talk to **a trusted adult**. In school this is any member of staff they feel comfortable, happy and safe talking to.

Please support us in reminding the children that they can talk to any adult in school if they need to. Could they say who this could be if the need was there?

Applying for Reception and Middle School Places

Please ensure that you apply for the next stage of your child's education by the closing date below. Attending our Nursery does NOT guarantee your child a place in Reception. Details can be obtained at [Apply for a school place | Newcastle City Council](#)



Closing Dates

Reception 2024: 15th January 2025 at noon

Middle School 2024: 31st October 2024 at noon

Nursery admissions begin January 2024 for a September 2024 start date.

[Reception New Starters - Archibald First School](#)

Middle School Open Evenings times and dates can be found on the school diary.

Event Invitation 2

Dear Archibald Families

Please join our
coffee morning offering
SEND support.

Come along and chat to each other
and to Mrs West & Mrs Ward in a
supportive space to ask questions,
share strategies and
discuss experiences.

9am Monday 6th November
in the school portacabin

Families & School Together

Event Invitation 3

Anxious or Anxiety

A Workshop for Parents with Chameleon Counselling

Monday 2nd October 2pm Portacabin

Graeme Rowlings, a Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist accredited with the UKCP, presents an introduction to understanding and managing anxiety.

He provides insight as to how anxious thoughts and feelings are processed and received in both the mind and body of the child and the responding parent.

As well, he will provide guidance and practical strategies to work with the child.

Please click on this link to register

<https://forms.office.com/e/bWMCwMDFXb>



Where Can Kids Eat Free During Term Time?

With the current economic climate, many of the restaurants and supermarket cafes are now offering a Kids Eat Free or Kids eat for £1 during term time too...



Dobbies Kids Eat Free

Enjoy a free children's breakfast with any adult traditional or full breakfast or a free child's hot meal or pick n mix lunch box with any adult main course. This offer is available every day in our restaurant and also includes a free child's drink. For further information check out **Dobbies**

Dunelm Kids eat Free

For happy tastebuds, tummies and purses. Dunelm Pausa cafes are allowing kids to eat for free for every £4 spend in cafes. Currently also offering Kids Eat free Mon-Fri after 3pm
For further information check out **Dunelm Pausa Cafe**

Future Inns Under 5s Eat Free

At Future Inns, under 5's always eat for free with any meal purchased by an adult. Including breakfast, lunch and evening dinner.

Terms and conditions: One free kids meal for a child aged under 5 from the children's menu with one full-priced adult main meal purchased. The offer excludes breakfast and room service.

For further information check out **Future Inns**

Morrisons Kids Eat Free All Day Everyday

Children up to the age of 16 can eat a free lunch or dinner when you spend £4.49 or over on an adult meal in the cafe. One free kids' meal can be redeemed per adult meal purchased.

For further information check out **Morrisons**

Premier Inn Kids Eat Breakfast Free

Enjoy our all-you-can-eat Premier Inn Breakfast from just £9.99! Tuck into freshly cooked bacon, fluffy hash browns, eggs cooked the way you like them and much more. Plus, with our continental selection included with the Premier Inn Breakfast, you can enjoy fresh fruit, cereals and tasty pastries – there's more choice than ever.

Up to two kids eat breakfast free if an adult orders the Premier Inn Breakfast.

For further information check Out **Premier Inn Kids Eat Free**

Travelodge Kids Eat free Breakfast

Travelodge unlimited breakfast starts from only £8.99 and up to 2 kids aged 15 and under eat completely FREE for every full paying adult. Available in all their hotels with an open onsite Bar Café.

For further information check out **Travelodge Kids Eat Free**

School Events

All of our events can be found on the school diary. Please check this for regular updates.

[Diary 2023-24 - Archibald First School](#)



October 2023

02 Year 3 to visit the Great North Museum –
Science

02 Class 10 Parent Lunch

02 Anxious or Anxiety – A Workshop for Parents
with Chameleon Counselling 2 pm

03 Gosforth Central Middle School Open Evening for current Year 4 families 4.45pm-
6.45pm

04 Individual School Photographs – ALL CHILDREN TO WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM

04 Gosforth East Middle School Open Evening for current Year 4 families 6pm-8pm

06 Creating Connections – (School) Community Coffee Morning – 9 am – 10.30 am
Cake donations and loose change welcome for MacMillan Coffee Morning

09 Class 9 Parent Lunch

09 Gosforth Junior High Academy Open Evening for current Year 4 families 4pm-6pm

10 Year 2 visit to the Discovery Museum – Bridges

13 Just One Tree Day – suggested donation £1 as every pound raised plants one
new tree

13 Friday Phonics for Reception Parents 9-9.30 am

23 Take One Picture Week at Archibald

26 School closes at 3.15pm for the half term break

27 Staff Development Day – Poverty Proof Training with Children's North East for all
staff and governors (am) and History Development with an external trainer (pm)

November 2023

06 Welcome back to school for the second part of the autumn term

06 SEND Coffee morning 9am