

Archibald First School Spring Newsletter 1 2024

Baby number 2



Is on the way!

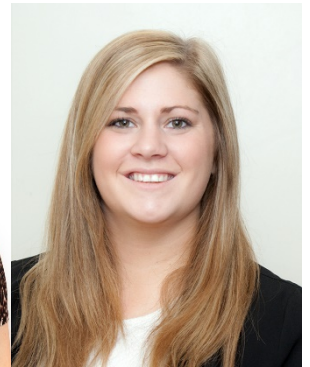
Congratulations Mrs Howard!

We think Mrs and Mr Howard along with little Georgie got one of the best Christmas presents this year... Baby Howard No.2 is due in June and Georgie is very excited to be promoted to big sister!

Mrs Howard will be with us until early June (all being well). As of the summer term, Class 5 will be taught by Miss Conlin.

Miss Conlin has worked with the class over the last two

years so knows the children really well. For the first part of the summer term, Mrs Howard will continue to work across year 2.



Our school value of Caring...



Love and Kindness

Between now and the 14th February, we would love to see pictures of things that you love or pictures that represent love and kindness. Please share these via Twitter. Mention @archibaldfirst and include #AFSLove

Caring – A random act of Kindness

We are also challenging every child at Archibald to do a random act of kindness. Special team balls or value stickers will be awarded where they are caught being especially kind.

Can you tweet us @Archibaldfirst and include #AFSKind to tell us about how your child has been kind and caring at home.

Kindness
is
Magic

Attendance

As of 26.1.24, our whole school attendance is 96.7%. Well done to everyone who has been at school every day possible.



Our Wonderful World

Our learning this half term has a Geography focus. Each year group is studying under the title 'Our Wonderful World'.

Early Years are finding out about Our World, Year 1 are exploring the UK with Paddington Bear and Year 2 are moving from Coast to Coast. In Key Stage 2, Year 3 are finding out about how powerful our world is by looking at natural disasters whilst Year 4 are 'visiting' Europe. Watch out for our work and learning activities on our Twitter feed @archibaldfirst.

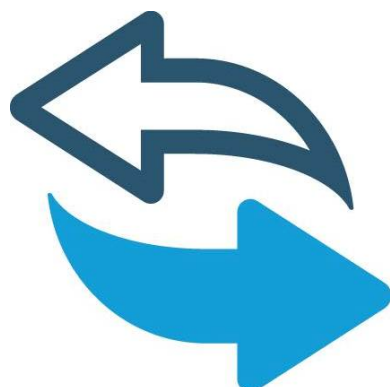
Early Years

We are looking to ensure our Early Years provision is rich and diverse and that it is reflective of our school community and the wider world.

We are therefore looking for donations of:

- Empty food boxes which have original labels in languages from around the world
- Cookbooks / picture recipes
- Traditional household / kitchen items

These could be representative of heritage, culture, religion. Please drop off any donations at the school office.



Archibald Exchange

[Archibald Exchange | Facebook](#)

The Archibald Exchange is a group set up by parents for parents. Please use it to swap clothes and toys etc to save these going to waste.

It may be a great place for you to swap Halloween costumes!!!!

Safeguarding

Mrs Turner is our Designated Safeguarding Leader with Mrs Mullick, Mrs Graham, Mrs McNally and Mrs Ward our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leaders. If you have concerns about a child, please contact one of us.

If it is an emergency and a child is in immediate danger, please call the police.

Members of the public can also report concerns to Children's Social Care directly. If you have a concern about a child, please contact one of the following:

- Initial Response Service – 0191 277 2500
- Northumbria Police – 101 (in an emergency always dial 999)
- NSPCC Helpline – 0808 800 5000

There is also a secure online referral form available for you to explain your concern, if you are a member of the public. <https://nccportal.newcastle.gov.uk/forms/referral/public>



#AFSstreetclean Litter Picking

Watch out for a litter picking challenge from our Planet Protectors...

The Planet Protectors will also be asking everyone to try to take part in #AFSstreetclean every day which involves you considering the environment around you for two minutes and removing any litter to help protect our planet.

Watch this space for their posters and letters...



WE LOVE OPAL!



Thank you so much for your continued donations. We are currently looking for:

Fancy dress items:

- ❖ Hats
- ❖ Bags
- ❖ Thin scarves



Small World Area:

- ❖ Stones
- ❖ Pebbles
- ❖ Wood chippings



Den Zone:

- ❖ Tarpaulins
- ❖ Pegs
- ❖ Thick rope



We have a School Nurse based in school. Ciara is in school on a Thursday morning (alternate weeks) and will work with individual children, groups of children and meet with our grown-ups about their children.

Our School has a

School Nurse



Who helps with

Anxiety. Anger. Attachment. Bereavement. Behaviour. Continence. Drug and alcohol support. Experience of domestic abuse. Food issues. Hearing testing. Height and weight. Healthy relationships. Harmful sexual behaviour. Looking for signs of Autism. Looking for signs of ADHD. Keeping safe online. Other mental wellbeing. Parenting support. Physical health concerns. Relationships & Consent. Respecting diversity. Risk taking behaviours. Speech and language. Self-esteem. Sleep issues. Self-harm. Sensory profiling. Sexual health. Trauma. Therapeutic interventions. Understanding feelings. Understanding friendships. Vision testing. Vaping advice.

We pay for the School Nurse as a school for the benefit of pupils and parents.

Grown-ups can book individual appointments with Ciara through the school office in person, by phone 01912851957 or via email office@archibaldfirstschool.co.uk

www.myschoolhealth.co.uk |

Nursery Applications 2024

Archibald First School offer 15 hours of free nursery provision to children who are aged 3 on or before

31 August 2024. We also offer an option of 30 hours per week. The hours are offered as either Option 1, Option 2 or Option 3.

Option 1:

Monday 8.45 – 3.15

Tuesday 8.45 – 3.15

Wednesday 8.45 – 11.30

Option 2:

Wednesday 12.30 – 3.15

Thursday 8.45 – 3.15

Friday 8.45 – 3.15

Option 3:

Monday 8.45 – 3.15

Tuesday 8.45 – 3.15

Wednesday 8.45 – 3.15

Thursday 8.45 – 3.15

Friday 8.45 – 3.15



Please see the Prospective Parents area of the website for more information [Prospective Parents - Archibald First School](#).

Nursery applications are available from the School Office and the website. Please note that your child's birth certificate and proof of your home address must be shown with the application form.

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](#)

February 2024

01 Digital Literacy Event 3.20pm – 4.20pm

05 Year 4 Structures Workshop

06 Year 3 Enterprise Workshop

06 Year 2 Structures Day

06 Reception to the Discovery Museum

06 Class 7 Parent Lunch

08 Year 4 Enterprise Workshop

08 Lion Dance Team for Chinese New Year to work with Nursery to Year 2

09 PTFA Bake Sale – Class 6 3.15 pm

12 Class 10 Assembly 2.45 pm

13 Class 9 Assembly 2.45 pm

16 School closes at 3.15pm for the half term break

26 Welcome back to school for the second part of the spring term

Happy
New Year
2024

Get to know more about the staff...

Mr Nettleship



Mrs Carr



Favourite colour

Red

Best joke

Why did the scarecrow win man of the match?
Because he was outstanding in his field!

When you aren't at work, what do you do?

I love spending time with my little boy, Eddie. I also like to stay active so I enjoy walking the dog, going to the gym and playing football.

I also like a good film or series- Marvel and Star Wars are my favourite.

Fun fact

When I was on holiday in Mexico, I swam with whale sharks in the ocean!

What is your party trick?

I can do the 'around the world' football trick but with a pair of socks!

If you weren't a teacher, what else would you be? I would love to be part of 'The Avengers.' Or maybe an astronaut and explore space...

Favourite animal

Cat

Best thing about working at Archibald

All the smiles from the lovely children

Party Trick

I can do the splits (almost!)

Fun fact

I scored a penalty against Meatloaf at St James' Park.

If you could only eat one thing forever, what would it be?

Bread and butter

Describe yourself in 3 words...

Friendly, smiley, scatty

What do you like to do away from school?

Watching films with my girls – Eleanor and Zoe.

Dear Archibald Families

**Please come to our
*Post Adoption
Support Lunch***

**Please join us to share your
experiences & support
agencies with other families and
Mrs West and Mrs Ward.**

**12-1pm in the school portacabin
Friday 9th February 2024**

Families and School Together

Dear Archibald Families

Please come along to our workshop linked
to '*Understanding bereavement and its im-
pact on adults and children.*'

The workshop will be led by Brenda - a
bereavement support coordinator from
St Oswald's.

2-3 pm Monday 4th March
in the school portacabin



[https://forms.office.com/e/
M0kPnH2FA3](https://forms.office.com/e/M0kPnH2FA3)

We have 20 places

*Families and School
together*





BOOK NOW!
19TH FEB - 23RD FEB
LADYBIRD HOLIDAY CLUB- ARCHIBALD

HEART ART
PROJECTS

CANDLE
PAINTING

MAKE YOUR
OWN SOAP

VALENTINES
PARTY

SENSORY
JARS

BINGO

HEART
MAPS

GARDENING

GIVING BACK
TO PEOPLE
WE LOVE

SLIME

AND MUCH
MORE...



CALLING ALL
SUPERHEROES!



IT'S SUPERHERO
WEEK 19TH FEBRUARY 2024 -
23RD FEBRUARY 2024

LADYBIRD CHILDREN'S NURSERY - SCOTSWOOD,
SANDERSON STREET, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE,
NE4 7NQ
TEL: 0191 226 0999

BOOK NOW FOR OUR HOLIDAY CLUB

Share the Love Week

MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY TO FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

[HTTPS://LADYBIRD.CHILDCARE-ONLINE-BOOKING.CO.UK](https://ladybird.childcare-online-booking.co.uk)

TEL: 07586 606 609

LADYBIRD CHILDREN'S NURSERY - ARCHIBALD
ARCHIBALD FIRST SCHOOL
ARCHIBALD STREET
GOSFORTH
NE3 1EB

LOOK OUT, WE HAVE LOTS PLANNED!

EPIC HULK SLIME!

SUPERHERO MASKS!

ELSA WANDS!

KAPOW!

SUPERHERO SMOOTHIES

PAPER PLATE SHIELDS

SUPERHERO PARTY

POW!

SAVE THE DATE

19TH FEB - 23RD FEB
EVERY DAY 8AM - 6PM
LADYBIRD CHILDREN'S NURSERY
SCOTSWOOD, SANDERSON ST,
NE4 7NQ

BAM!