### Monthly Newsletter (June 2017) Issue 6

# Middlefield Community Primary School News

#### Dear Reader,

With only three weeks left until we finish for the summer our school calendar really has started to strain under the amount of events and activities we still have planned. This month has seen our children compete in cricket tournaments, visit secondary schools, attend poetry slam competitions, enjoy our family breakfast, visit the mobile farm, road safety assemblies, safe-guarding workshops and much, much more. The coming weeks will see Sports Days, transition days, our Y6 prom, end of year assembly, Tri-golf competitions, a cricket tournament and several other events which have all been sent home in a 'Summer Events' letter.

## Year 5 visit to ESLA

At the start of the day, we played a math's game called 'Last man standing'. We had to answer times table questions as quickly as possible to be the last person standing. Next, we completed an activity about sequences, including Fibonacci's sequence. It was great!

Soon after, we moved on to cooking with Miss Ferry. We made a layered desert, which was really tasty. In it was: pineapple, melon, grapes, strawberries, kiwi, biscuit, yoghurt and some people even added whipped cream to the top. It was really fun to make!

After that we had a tour of the whole school, including the outside. There was a really cool beehive area and a fabulous art room.

Following dinner, we had a history lesson in which we discovered facts and information about people and events from the past.

We had a fantastic day and an amazing time. Overall, our favourite part was cooking as we had such fun making the layered desert.

Thank you ESLA for such a great day in your school.

By Olivia and Ellie-Mai (Year 5)

# School PE kits

The start of this year saw a huge improvement in children remembering to bring their correct school PE kit in on their PE day. Sadly, in the past few weeks we have had many children coming to school without a kit or bringing the wrong kit in. Children are asked to wear a plain white t-shirt (not polo), black shorts and trainers or pumps. It is essential that children get into the good habit of bringing their kit, not only for personal hygiene reasons, but also to prepare them for life in secondary school when they will be expected to remember multiple things every day. If there is a reason why your child hasn't got their PE kit please inform their class teacher either verbally or in writing.



## **Upcoming Events**

July 3

Key Stage 1 Sports Day

July 5

Year 6 transition day

July 6

Nursery and Reception Sports Day

## <u>Lateness = Lost Learning</u> (figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost! 10 minutes late each day = 6 days lost! 15 minutes late each day = 9 days lost! 20 minutes late each day = 12 days lost! 30 minutes late each day = 18 days lost!

Attendance . . . something to think about (figures are approximate to illustrate the impact of poor attendance)

Attendance over the course of one school year

98% Attendance = 4 days absent from school

- 95% Attendance = 10 days absent from school
- 90% Attendance = 4 weeks absent from school
- 85% Attendance = 5½ weeks absent from school
- 80% Attendance = 7½ weeks absent from school

## NSPCC-Speak out. Stay Safe.

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June children in Key Stage 1 and 2 attended an assembly led by Zoe who works for the NSPCC. Zoe spoke to the children about the work the NSPCC do and how we as a school could help. The children in Years 5 and 6 then had follow up workshops on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June to discuss and look in more detail at the wonderful work of the NSPCC. All of the children from Year 1 to Year 6 have been given an NSPCC sponsored spell pack which contains 4 lists of words. Your child's class teacher should have informed your child which list they are to practice prior to the whole school sponsored spell on

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badges for the children who raised money, so if all money needs to brought by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Many thanks in advance for your support in supporting such a worthwhile charity. Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Zoe will return to school the following week to collect sponsor money and leave



#### Cricket tournaments and friendly matches

Our cricket season started with a friendly game against St. Christopher's girls' team. This was an opportunity for ourselves to see how much we had improved from last year. There were definite signs of improvement, however a very good batting performance from St. Christopher's saw them open up too big a gap for us to win the game. Two weeks later we returned for a rematch determined to make it a much closer game than last time. This time our fielding and bowling was outstanding, with incredible catches from Molly, Macy and Katie stopping St. Christopher's from hitting a high run score. Sadly this wasn't enough as we fell just short of their score. Every girl who played was very proud of their performance as it was clear to see what amazing progress we have made since last year.

The following week a mixed team of boys and girls travelled to Sefton Park Cricket Club for the Liverpool Kwik Cricket Tournament. Our first game resulted in a narrow loss (4 runs) but helped the children realize that they could compete at this level. The next game saw a much more confident team win the match by over 50 runs. This left one more game in our group, which we had to win if we wanted to progress to the knock out stage, against the strongest team in the group. Thanks to some outstanding catches from Ethan and Raulis we kept their score down to 43. In our final batting over it looked like we had let the game slip away from us, but some outstanding batting from Jerome meant that if he hit a '6' off the last ball we would draw. Incredibly, Jerome sent the ball flying back over the bowlers head and almost out of the grounds to ensure we achieved a well-earned draw.

Well done to Ethan, Macy, Ruth, Ben W, Ben R, Roulis, Molly, Izzy and Jerome (our player of the tournament with 70 runs) who represented our school so well on the day.

### Attendance (June)

Our target for every class is 97% which means that every child must aim to attend school every day. A child missing 1 day of school each week will finish the year with 80% attendance which over 5 years totals 1 whole year missed.

Mrs Crone (Rec) : 93 % Mrs Donald (Rec) : 92% Mrs Young (Y1) : 95% Ms Hunter (Y1): 91% Mr Fewtrell (Y2): 95% Miss Foulkes (Y2) : 94%

Mr Bird (Y3) : 94% Mrs Wood (Y3) : 94% Miss Cashen (Y4) : 95% Mrs Wilson (Y4) : 93% Mr Lymath (Y5) : 87% Mrs Smith (Y5) : 94% Mrs O'Sullivan (Y6) : 86%

#### PLEASE REMEMBER: Holidays taken during term time will not be authorized by the school.

### 50 Summers of Love

Did you know that until the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September Liverpool will play hosts to a number of events, happenings and performances to celebrate it being 50 years since the release of Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band?

To find out more please visit;

www.50summersoflove.co.uk







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