

Middlefield Community Primary School News



Dear Reader,

We have now been back in school four weeks and we would like to thank you for the wonderful start your children have made in this new academic year. This year sees several new members of staff joining the team including; Mr Jones (Y4), Miss Simms (Year 2) and Miss Ashworth (Y6). We may have only been back in school 4 weeks but the children have already completed so many amazing things. We have taken children to sporting events, they have been with Ms Hunter to Forest School, every class has been visited by Chris Ball who brought the start of their new English units alive through drama and every class participated in our 'Ready, Steady, Learn' day. We look forward to reporting all the wonderful things the children do and achieve throughout the year.

School PE kits

All classes have now started their timetabled PE lesson and all children have been told what day they must ensure their kit is in. All children are expected to wear a round neck white t-shirt, black shorts and pumps or trainers for PE. The majority of children have started this year looking very smart in their correct kit, however we still have a small number of children with no kit or the incorrect kit. Please ensure your child has the correct kit in school on the day of their PE lesson or please send a note in giving a reason why they have no kit or why they won't be taking part in PE.

Ready, Steady, Learn Day

On the 27th September all the children and staff joined in on our annual Ready, Steady, Learn day. This is a series of techniques, developed by A Quiet Place to use in our classrooms. We focused on; breathing exercises, relaxation, creative relaxation, mindfulness and Brain Gym. We use these strategies to; prepare the brain for learning, motivation, attention and to develop emotional intelligence. Thank you to Ms Heffron and Audrey for organising and delivering the day.

Packed Lunches

A huge thank-you to everyone who has acted upon the guidance we reissued just before the summer holiday. Schools are required to positively promote the health and well-being of its pupils. To ensure consistency and to keep packed lunches in line with food standards for school meals, **packed lunches should not contain the following:**

- Fizzy / sugary drinks in cartons, bottles or cans
- Chocolate-coated products / sweets / confectionary
- Chocolate spread as a filling for sandwiches
- Sugared / toffee and salted popcorn
- Salted nuts



Many thanks in supporting the school with this and ensuring your child has a healthy balanced lunch for school every day.

Upcoming Events

October 9

Lower Key Stage 2 Family Math's Event

October 10

Upper Key Stage 2 Family Math's Event

October 20

INSET day

Lateness = Lost Learning (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

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

Cross-Country

On Thursday the 28th November we travelled to Newsham Park for our first race of the season. The weather had been pretty miserable for several days before the race so the children were faced with a pretty muddy and slippery course. All the children selected to represent the school behaved impeccably the whole time they were out and gave a good account of themselves in the race. A special mention and well done to Ollie (Y6) who finished 6th and Morgan (Y6) who finished 22nd. We now look forward to our next race at Clarke's Gardens on the 12th October. Well done everyone and make sure you keep attending training on a Wednesday after school.



New Age Curling



Last Thursday (28th September) our New Age Curling team went to St. Nicholas to compete in the South Liverpool round of the New Age Curling competition. All the children selected performed extremely well beating several other schools. Sadly, the team missed out by one point on progressing to the next round of the competition. Well done to everyone

who represented our school so well on the day!

We are now on Twitter (@middlefield_cp)



Midway through September we launched our new Twitter feed to showcase some of the amazing things that happen in our school. Please feel free to follow us and keep up to date with some of the things our children do each week.

Attendance-September 2017

Our target for every class is 100% every week this year. Some classes have made a good start achieving 100% on a number of weeks but for this month the closest classes were Miss Foulkes (99%), Mrs Young (98%), Mr Jones (98%) and Mr Fewtrell (98%). These percentages are an improvement on last year but we still want to push for the first class to achieve 100% for an entire month.

Mrs Crone (Rec) : 97 %
Mrs Donald (Rec) : 92%
Mrs Ellis (Y1) : 92%
Ms Hunter (Y1): 96%
Mrs Beresford (Y2): 95%
Miss Foulkes (Y2) : 99%

Mrs Niedzwiecki (Y3) : 97%
Mrs Young (Y3) : 98%
Mr Jones (Y4) : 98%
Mrs Smith (Y4) : 95%
Mr Lymath (Y5) : 95%
Mrs Wood (Y5) : 96%
Mr Fewtrell (Y6) : 98%
Mr Bird (Y6): 97%

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

Bikes on the Yard

Please remember that bikes should not be ridden on the playground by children or adults. All the children have been told that they must walk with their bike until they are out the school gate. Many thanks for your support with this issue.

