

# Middlefield Community Primary School News

Dear Reader,

What an incredible month it has been in school, from sharing what your children have achieved during parents evening to Year 6 going on their residential visit to Colomendy in North Wales. February also saw the return of Cross-Country to the sporting calendar with a race in Wavertree and a special award being presented to one of our Year 6 runners. We now look forward to all the wonderful things March has to bring, including World Book Day, Family reading Events and Easter.

## Chaplain Andrew visits from The Academy of St. Nicholas

On 23<sup>rd</sup> February Chaplain Andrew visited our school again to lead an assembly for the whole school. As always Chaplain Andrew captivated the children with his incredible telling of the Bible story 'Jesus and the Fishermen'. The children demonstrated an excellent understanding of the story during the question and discussion part of the assembly. As always we would like to thank Chaplain Andrew for visiting our school and we look forward to his next visit.

## Year 6 Residential Visit to Colomendy



On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February children and staff from Y6 travelled to Colomendy in North Wales for this year's residential trip. For 3 days we had the most amazing time completing activities such as zip-line, lazer quest, abseiling, aero ball, camp fire songs and much, much more. We set the children a 'Room Inspection' challenge in which their room would be checked on a number of occasions each day. We had a real mix of incredibly tidy rooms and then a number of rooms who really struggled to even make their beds in a presentable way! The winning room was room 8 which comprised of Morgan, Olivia and Alisha who finished with a remarkable score of 259 points. Well done everyone representing our school and city so well for the three days that we were away we are incredibly proud of you all.



## Upcoming Events

### March 1

World Book Day

### March 5

LKS2 Family Reading Event

### March 7

UKS2 Family Reading Event

### 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

## British Values assemblies



During the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> February every class in the school participated in a British Values assembly based on the theme of Democracy. The children demonstrated a great understanding of how democracy works in our school and nationally. Our school councilors did a wonderful job explaining the process of democracy in our school council meetings and how they can influence change around the school.

## Dance @ The Academy of St. Nicholas



On the 22<sup>nd</sup> February children from Years 3 and 4 travelled to The Academy of St. Nicholas in Garston for a dance show. The children had prepared a Chinese themed dance for their performance. They had practiced for 7 weeks before their performance. Lucy (Y4) said, 'It was amazing and I would love to do it again' and Lena (Y4) said, 'It is kind of sad that we have now finished dance for the year but I am already looking forward to joining the dance club again next year.' Every child was given a certificate linked to the Olympic spirit of the games values. Well done everyone on an amazing performance.

## Twitter Reminder (@middlefield\_cp)

Our Twitter account has now been up and running for a few months and the number of people following us continues to grow. We aim to share as much as we can each week through Twitter so it is a fantastic way to see what the children have been doing in school. Thank you to all the parents who have posted positive comments about our Tweets.



## No Dogs on the School Yard

In the past few weeks we have had a number of adults bringing dogs onto the yard at the beginning and end of the day. No matter what size or breed the dog is **they must not be brought onto the yard** as they pose a health and safety risk to other children. If you do bring a dog on the yard you will be asked by a member of staff to remove the dog from the school grounds. Many thanks for your cooperation with this matter.



## Attendance-February 2018

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 class was Miss Foulke's (98%). These percentages are a 4% 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) : 95%

Ms Hunter (Y1): 94 %

Mrs Beresford (Y2): 97%

Miss Foulkes (Y2) : 98%

Mrs Niedzwiecki (Y3) : 97%

Mrs Young (Y3) : 96 %

Mr Jones (Y4) :94 %

Mrs Smith (Y4) :91 %

Mr Lymath (Y5) : 93%

Mrs Wood (Y5) : 96%

Mr Fewtrell (Y6) : 91%

Mr Bird (Y6): 97%

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

## Happy Chinese New Year

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February we celebrated Chinese New Year by having a Chinese themed lunch menu. The food was a great success with all the children commenting on how good it was. We have now decided to have a few different themed lunch menus before the end of the academic year.



