

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. 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 several classes have already been on their first trip of the year. We look forward to reporting all the wonderful things the children do and achieve throughout the year.

P4C Bronze Award

In early September we received an email announcing that all the hard work that the children and staff put into introducing Philosophy for Children into our school last year had been rewarded with the school receiving the Bronze award. We have now embarked on our journey towards receiving our silver award which has meant that as a school we are now planning and delivering P4C activities linked to our curriculum. Well done and thank you to all the children and staff for making this award possible.



School of Sanctuary Award

Before we finished for the summer we received the wonderful news that our school had been awarded the 'School of Sanctuary' award. We are now one of only a handful of schools to hold this incredible award in our city. The award was given in recognition that our school is, '*committed to being a safe and welcoming place for all students and their families. It is a school that helps its students, staff and wider community understand what it means to be seeking sanctuary and to extend a welcome to everyone as equal, valued members of the school community. It is a school that is proud to be a place of safety and inclusion for all.*' Mr Harrop and Ms Heffron were presented with the award in September at a presentation evening at Toxteth Annexe.



Upcoming Events

October 3

Key Stage 1 Family Math's Event

October 17

EYFS Parent's Evening

October 18

Parent's evening

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

The Parliamentary Review

Recently we have had the honour of being included in 'The Parliamentary Review' document showcasing good practice for the academic year 2017/2018. This is an incredible privilege as only nine schools were chosen from the whole of the North West area to share their recognised outstanding practice in progress and attainment and pastoral care.

If you wish to read the whole article it can be found at;

<http://www.theparliamentaryreview.co.uk/organisations/middlefield-primary-school>

Cross-Country

We may only be at the end of September but our children have already taken part in 3 cross-country races. Cross-country has taken us on a tour of the city with our first race in Wavertree, then Newsham Park and our third race was in the shadow of Anfield Stadium in Stanley Park. This year our teams have consisted of children from Years 4 to 6 showing that the future for cross-country in our school is positive with so many younger children attending training each week. Our star performance this year came at Newsham Park when Katelyn (Year 4) finished 20th out of 130 girls. Well done to everyone who has represented the school so far and we look forward to seeing how the rest of the season progresses as we become stronger and fitter.



School PE kits

This year we have introduced our new school PE kit which I'm sure you will agree looks incredibly smart. Most of our children now have the maroon t-shirt and maroon shorts and they are bringing it to school on the day of their PE lesson. If you have not bought a kit yet they are available to buy from Laser in Garston. Many thanks for supporting the school with this positive change so early in the academic year.

Educate School Awards 2018

For the second year running we have been shortlisted for an educate award. This year we find ourselves as one of three schools shortlisted for the 'Teaching of Life skills' award. The ceremony takes place in the Anglican Cathedral in November so we are keeping everything crossed that this year we return to school with a trophy to share with all our children.



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Attendance-September 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 occasions. Our whole school attendance for September was 96.1% which is a dip on last year so we need a real push from everyone to ensure our figures look a lot more positive next month.

Mrs Crone (Rec) : 85 %

Mrs Donald (Rec) : 90%

Mrs Ellis (Y1) : 96%

Ms Hunter (Y1): 94%

Mrs Beresford (Y2): 94%

Miss Foulkes (Y2) : 94%

Mrs Niedzwiecki (Y3) : 97%

Mrs Young (Y3) : 95%

Mr Lymath (Y4) : 96%

Mrs Smith (Y4) : 94%

Mr Jones (Y5) : 96%

Mrs Wood (Y5) : 93%

Mr Fewtrell (Y6) : 98%

Mrs Crichton/ Mr Harrop (Y6): 96%

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

Open Door

Every morning Mr Potter and members of the pastoral team are available at the main entrance if you have any concerns or need to discuss an issue with a member of staff. This is often easier than trying to pass information to our class based staff in the morning as they have planned activities that start at 9:00am.

