

Introducing Our Pastoral Care Team

You will have already seen these adults on the doors before and after school but we would like to formally introduce them to you. Your child's wellbeing and personal development are a priority for us and this team along with our fantastic teaching staff, ensure that your child is happy, safe and learning.



Mrs Booth



Miss Day



Mrs Morris



Mrs Bignell



Mrs Whitters



Miss Atkinson



Mrs Moffatt

Foundation Nativity



Each Foundation class will be performing a nativity performance for their parents/carers to watch in the main hall. The performances will be on **Monday 12th December (Chicks)** at 2pm, **Tuesday 13th December (Ducklings)** at 1.30pm and **Wednesday 14th December (Goslings)** at 2pm.

Year Group Christmas Discos

Individual year group discos will be taking place during the afternoon of **Thursday 15th (Foundation and Year 3 & 4)** and **Friday 16th December (Year 1 & 2 and Year 5 & 6)**. The children should come to school wearing their party clothes (that are also appropriate for outdoor playtimes). Friends of Middleton will send out more information about the discos nearer the time.



Christmas Lunch

On **Wednesday 14th December** our caterers will be cooking a festive meal of roast turkey with chipolatas and stuffing or a vegetarian meal of a vegan wellington. If you would like your child to join in the lunch celebrations, please have their **order placed as soon as possible** and by **Saturday 10th December at the latest** (www.innovate-psm.co.uk) Please note that there will be no jacket potato or sandwich options on this day. For children that bring in a packed lunch, they are welcome to bring in their own festive food from home.

Christmas Cards

From Monday 5th December our Christmas post box will open, the children will be able to send cards to friends from their class/year group and across the school. Please make sure that the **first name and initial of the surname and the class** are written on the envelope. Or as an alternative to sending cards this year may we suggest a donation to your chosen charity? The school staff will be donating to the charity Cancer Research UK this year.



Festive Sing-a-Long

Each year group will participate in a festive sing-a-long in the small hall, for their parents/carers to watch outside in the main playground, during the week commencing 12th December. We are hoping this will be a lovely opportunity for families to join in with the festive celebrations. Full details of the event have been emailed this week.

Baby News

We are very pleased to announce the safe arrival of a baby daughter for Miss Mayes (Mrs Skinner).

Snow



If the school has to close due to snow, we will advise parents by email. Please do not phone the school to find out if we are open.

Friends of Middleton PTA



Why not make a New Year's Resolution to join Friends of Middleton? It is a small group of parent volunteers who come together to arrange events, which raise funds to buy additional resources for the school. FOM activities can be fitted in around work and you can choose to do as little or as much as you like. It's a great way of getting to know other parents and staff at the school and most importantly the children love the events they arrange. If you can spare time to get involved, simply e-mail FOM at; parents@friendsmjs.org.uk

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will take place in the small hall on Tuesday 6th December for Foundation, Year 1 & Year 2 and Wednesday 7th December for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 between 3:10pm – 3:40pm. You will be able to access the bookfair through the playground gate and doors by the small hall. This will be a **cash only event** so please bring plenty of change if possible. We hope you are able to come along to the fair and support the school.



Online Bookings

Please remember to book ahead online for school lunches and any Earlybirds or After School Club sessions you need for the first half of the Spring Term. Please note that there will be **no playscheme** running during the Christmas school break.

Donations Update

Children in Need day raised an amazing £650 this year. The Friends of Middleton 'Cash for Clothes' collection raised £281.20 and an impressive £323.95 was raised from the FOM cake sale. Our thanks go to everyone involved. Our last charity event of this year will be the 'Christmas Jumper Day' for Save the Children & Alzheimer's Society on Friday 9th December.

Please make a note of these important dates in your diaries as it is not always possible to send out additional reminders for events that are taking place at school.

Tuesday 6 December	3.10-3.40pm	Book Fair for Foundation, Year 1 & Year 2
Wednesday 7 December	All day	Year 5 Viking Day
Wednesday 7 December	3.10-3.40pm	Book Fair for Year 3,4,5 & 6
Thursday 8 December	All day	Year 3 Ancient Egypt Day
Thursday 8 December	PM	Y6 Kestrels visit 'Knife Angel' statue
Thursday 8 December	3.20-4pm	Year 5 & 6 'Living Museum' in the small hall
Friday 9 December	All day	Charity Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 9 December	AM/PM	Y6 Falcons/Hawks visit 'Knife Angel' statue
Sunday 11 December	5-6.30pm	Choir singing at Lantern Festival
Monday 12 December	9am	Year 6 Winter sing-a-long
Monday 12 December	2pm	Foundation Chicks nativity performance
Monday 12 December	3pm	Year 5 Winter sing-a-long
Tuesday 13 December	9am	Year 4 Winter sing-a-long

Tuesday 13 December	All day	Year 6 trip to Bletchley Park
Tuesday 13 December	1.30pm	Foundation Ducklings nativity performance
Tuesday 13 December	4pm	Parent Online Safety event (online)
Wednesday 14 December	9.05am	Year 1 Winter sing-a-long
Wednesday 14 December	Lunch	Innovate Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 14 December	2pm	Foundation Goslings nativity performance
Thursday 15 December	9am	Year 2 Winter sing-a-long
Thursday 15 December	PM	Foundation & Year 3/4 Discos
Friday 16 December	9am	Year 3 Winter sing-a-long
Friday 16 December	PM	Year 1/2 & Year 5/6 Discos
Friday 16 December	PM	School closes for Christmas break
Tuesday 3 January	All Day	School closed for INSET day
Wednesday 4 January 2023	AM	School opens after Christmas break