

January 2026

Middleton Primary School Newsletter

Welcome back & Happy New Year

Welcome back and Happy New Year to all pupils, parents, staff and governors. Numerous events took place last month including; Year 2 trip to Hazard Alley, the Foundation nativity performance and Year 6 visiting Bletchley Park. Foundation also enjoyed a trip to the theatre. We have lots more exciting trips and events planned to make 2026 another memorable year for all of the children at Middleton.



Attendance and Absences

At Middleton Primary School, attendance and punctuality remain a high priority, as we know that being in school every day gives children the best chance to achieve their full potential. With only 190 school days in a year, every day – and every minute – really does count. Good attendance supports not only academic progress and attainment, but also children's social development, confidence and emotional wellbeing. We understand that there will be times when children are unwell and unable to attend school. In line with national guidance, it is important that all absences are reported promptly. **Parents are encouraged to log absences using the Arbor app wherever possible**, as this allows us to record information quickly and accurately. If you are unable to access Arbor, you may still **ring the school before 9am and leave a message on the answerphone**. Thank you for your continued support in helping us promote good attendance this term.

Staff Update

We are pleased to introduce some recently appointed staff members; Miss Dolan (Deputy Head) and Miss Young (DSL & Attendance).

Miss Dolan



Miss Young



We are delighted to let you know that Miss Watkis will be changing roles at Middleton Primary School and will be our full-time Family Worker from early February. Miss Watkis will work closely with pupils, families and staff to provide early support when needed.



Christmas Jumper Day

Lots of children and staff came into school last term wearing a Christmas jumper for the day and donated to the Save the Children charity. We raised a total of £422 and we would like to pass on a huge thank you to everyone for their donations.

Book Fair

The book fair held last month proved very popular and we now have just over £1000 to spend on resources for the school, thank you again for the continued support. The next book fair will be held in March. More details to follow.



School Uniform

Our children are very proud of our school and one way that they show this is by wearing their school uniform. May we remind you that we expect the children to wear black shoes, not trainers, in school (unless they are wearing a PE kit). Please make sure that all uniform is the appropriate colour (gold polo shirt/green jumper or cardigan). The Middleton PE kit should be a dark green t-shirt or navy shorts, along with a black or navy sweatshirt and joggers/leggings. Friends of Middleton have a large supply of pre-loved uniform to purchase, please email contact@friendsmps.org.uk

Important Reminder

Middleton is a NUT FREE school as several children suffer with a severe nut allergy. This means that we don't allow any nuts or products that contain nuts to be brought into school as snacks or in lunchboxes. This includes 'Nutella' hazelnut spread/bars and 'Kinder' products. Please also be aware that if you send grapes in lunchboxes or as snacks they must be sliced long ways to avoid the risk of choking.

Year 6 SATs

Please note that the SATs tests will be in the week commencing Monday 11th May. The Year 6 children will be working very hard this term to revise and prepare for the tests and we thank you for your continued support.

Thank you to FOM

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We are very lucky to have such an active PTA and would like to send our huge thanks once again to everyone who volunteers to help throughout the school year. FOM have recently hosted various events which include a coffee morning for the Foundation parents and the ever popular school discos.

Jewellery

Can we please remind you that children should not be wearing any jewellery other than a watch or stud earrings (earrings should be removed or covered by micro-pore tape during PE lessons). For safety reasons, hoop or dangly earrings, bracelets and necklaces are not allowed.

Diary dates

Please make note of these dates, as it is not always possible to send out additional reminders

- Monday 26th January - All day - Year 3 Ancient Egypt Day
- Tuesday 3rd February - Midday - 11pm - Young Voices concert at OVO arena
- Wednesday 11th February - AM - Foundation Library visit
- Thursday 12th February - 3pm - 4.30pm - Willen Hospice sale of fancy dress costumes
- Friday 13th February - PM - School closes for half term
- Monday 16th February - All week - Playscheme
- Monday 23rd February - AM - School reopens after half term break.
- Thursday 5th March - All day - World Book Day
- Thursday 19th March - 2 days - Year 4 residential to Gullivers Land
- Friday 20th March - All day - Red Nose Day
- Friday 27th March - 7.40am - 6pm - Year 3 trip to Legoland
- Friday 27th March - PM - Break up for Easter
- Monday 30th March - 4 days - Playscheme
- Monday 13th April - All day - Inset Day
- Tuesday 14th April - AM - School reopens after Easter break

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