



### Remembrance



On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, we joined as a school community once again, to remember those who have been affected by war, with our remembrance assembly. The assembly began virtually with a live link up to each classroom via zoom. We then moved to stand outside our classrooms, remaining in our bubbles to listen to the last post played on the trumpet and conduct one minute's silence. We were thrilled to welcome Mrs Goodall back from retirement as she played her trumpet for the school. Some photos of the event are displayed below;



### Welcome

We have been joined at Middleton by a new member of staff in the school office. You may speak to her on the telephone or meet in person when we are once again allowed to see each other face to face! Her name is Harriet Burns. Please say 'Hello' when you get the opportunity. 'Welcome' to our community Harriet.

### Keep in touch . .

Our pupils ( and staff!) continue to perform amazingly during these challenging times and we continue to operate under safe working procedures and within class bubbles. However, if a member of your household should develop COVID symptoms or test positive for Coronavirus then it is extremely important that

you make contact with school as soon as possible. Unfortunately this may occur over a weekend. In this event, we would ask that you **DO NOT** wait until Monday to inform the school but use one of the three options below ( or all three!) to let us know; You can e mail the school on [sharron.graffato@middleton.herts.sch.uk](mailto:sharron.graffato@middleton.herts.sch.uk) or [admin@middleton.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@middleton.herts.sch.uk) Or leave a message on Mrs Graffatos phone; 07740410650

### Tales From The Chalkface!

#### Lower School

Lower School have enjoyed lots of activities relating to Remembrance and poppies this week. They have made poppy badges, biscuits and artwork.



The children are learning about significant people and this week have learnt all about Boris Johnson. You may like to see if they recognise him when he is on the TV! The topic in lower school is 'Celebrations' and this week the pupils found out what happened at a wedding. They threw confetti and read the book 'Maisie goes to a wedding'. In science they have been learning about

hot and cold. It was great fun tasting ice cream in November!



**Middle School**

The Middle School pupils have this week learnt about the festival of DIVALI. They have made Diva lamps and Divali sweets.

They have also held their own Guy Fawkes celebrations, with a bonfire sparklers and a cup of hot chocolate!



In maths the children have been learning how to add two quantities together.

**Upper School**

The Upper School are now working on a new topic entitled 'Journeys'. They have written their own story about journeys and created an animation in ICT.

In science the children have been learning about changes in their body. In maths they have been exploring hundreds, tens and units and found out about the Gunpowder Plot in history.



In dance, the pupils have begun working on our Christmas production. We won't be able to avoid the 'Christmas word' for much longer now!

*Children In Need*

Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts today. We have raised a total of £160 for Children in Need, in support of many charities and good causes. We also held a virtual assembly on the topic of Children in Need this afternoon, including the importance of helping others.

I have included some lovely photos of staff and pupils in their pyjamas and onesies today;



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Stay safe at the weekend.  
I hope you get a chance to  
get outdoors and enjoy the  
fresh air.

Take care

*Debbie Hartley*

