



Happy New Year to everyone in our Middleton School Community. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas - even though it seems like a distant memory now!

The children have arrived back in school eager to learn and looking forward to the events of the Spring term.

Welcome

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Claire Hawkins – our new class teacher in Owls class. The pupils have already established positive relationships with Ms Hawkins.

Cold Weather!



We have all been experiencing the cold snap that has hit us at the start of 2025. As yet we have been very fortunate in this area with regards to snow! If we were to be 'blessed' with snow and it was not safe to open the school then all families will be notified by text message. It is important that you update us if you change your mobile phone number. Please bear in mind that as a special school we have to consider the safety of our site for pupils as well as the transport to and from school from a wide range of locations.

Spare Clothes

We are currently running a little low on our spare clothing for older pupils in Upper School. If anyone is able to donate joggers, socks, pants, or jumpers in the larger sizes then they would be much appreciated.

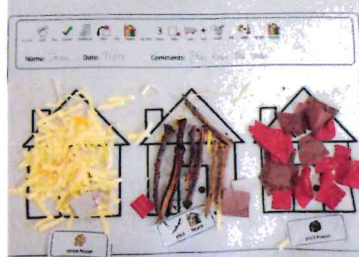
Tales From The Chalkface!

Lower School

The new topic in Lower School this term is 'Traditional Tales'. Last week the pupils learnt about the three little pigs!



They have made representations of pigs in art and cooking lessons and also learnt about the materials they made their homes from.



This week the children have listened to the story of the Gingerbread Man. They have retold the story

and painted their own gingerbread man.

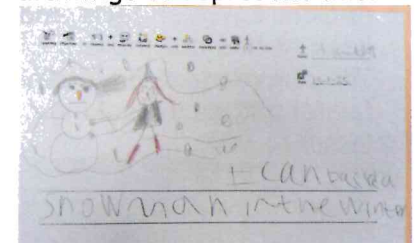


The pupils in Lower School have also been learning about 2D shapes.



Middle School

Middle School have started work in earnest on their new topic 'Winter'. The pupils have been writing about Winter and adding drawings to represent this.



They have made beautiful snowflakes in art lessons.



The children have been learning to order numbers on a clock face in maths and designing their own pizzas to make in cooking lessons.



In PE lessons the pupils have been learning to control and dribble a ball.






Upper School

Pupils in Upper School have started working on their new topic 'The Egyptians'. They are already intrigued by many Ancient Egyptian facts and keen to find out more. They have made Egyptian falafel patties in cooking lessons.



In maths lessons the pupils have been learning how to keep a tally chart.

	Tally	Total
		7
		5
		

In science lessons they have been learning about the properties of a range of materials.



The pupils have also been writing about their Christmas holiday activities.



The children have returned to school with healthy appetites and it is great to see our younger pupils now tucking into school dinners with enthusiasm!



Valentines Disco

On Thursday 13th February we will be holding a Valentines Disco in the evening for our pupils and their families. A flyer will be coming home from FOMS explaining how to order your tickets.

Middleton News

Community News

We have been told about a live science show at the Spotlight Theatre in Hoddesdon during half term. It is on Sunday 16th February at 2pm.

Dates for the diary

- 13th February** - Valentines Disco.
- 17th - 21st February** - Half term.
- 21st February** - Kingfisher Klub
- Friday 28th February** - school close at 1pm for staff training.

I will leave you with some images of pupils starting the new year with a flourish – working hard in school.

Have a great weekend.



Debbie Hartley