



# Middleton News



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★welcome  
♥back★

Welcome back to everyone in our school community. We are raring to go for the 2025/2026 academic year. We welcome two new members of staff; Miss Bunting in Kingfishers and Miss Marshall in Robins. Mrs Hartley is also very grateful to have Mrs Benson working on a Wednesday and a Friday as the Head teacher PA. You may well receive communication from Mrs Benson over the year. We have many new pupils joining us this term;

**Robins** –Kayan, Ivy, Freddie, Shyla, Nevaeh, Sadie, George, Oliver and Philomena

**Penguins** – Jimmie, Shaliyah, Harmony and Adam

**Owls** – Franky, Chloe and Jack

**Toucans** – Ariana

**Puffins** – Lily and David

**Swifts** – Jennifer

**Kingfishers** – Tobias

**Kestrels** – Enzo + Reggie

We look forward to joining you on this exciting new educational journey.

Normal service resumed!

It may only be 'day one' with all of our pupils and staff back in school but we have quickly settled into 'business as usual'. Classes have already begun learning in earnest with regular timetabled

favourites such as 'cooking' back on the agenda!



## Class Birds!

You may already be aware that each of our classes at Middleton are named after a bird. The pupils have spent time on their first day back completing art work to create their class bird.



## Welcome Cheese and Wine Evening



Families new to the school are invited to join us next Tuesday (9<sup>th</sup> September 7-8pm) to find out more information and see how your child has settled in to life at Middleton. This is an event **for adults**, but we encourage you to attend and make new friends!

## Tales From The Chalkface!

### Lower School

The pupils in Lower School are just about to begin a new topic for the coming weeks entitled 'All About Me'. Next week they will be learning about features of their face; looking at their reflection in the mirror and making face pictures.





## Middle School

Middle School are just beginning a new topic called 'My Family'. Next week they will create self portraits and discuss the people that make up their family group. Today many of the pupils visited the school library.



## Upper School

The new topic in Upper School is 'What's New?' The pupils have been creating self portraits after examining themselves in the mirror!



They have been learning about their new classrooms, staff and friends this week.

## May Half Term

Here at Middleton School we take an additional week's holiday at the beginning of June. This week is attached to the May half term and allows families to take a holiday when it is quieter and hopefully cheaper! We are unable to authorise family holidays in term time and

so urge you to book your holiday during this week.  
**(Half term runs from 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> June)**

## Dates for the diary

Attached to this newsletter you will find a list of term dates which include INSET days and Training afternoons as well as a calendar for the Autumn term.

**Tues 9<sup>th</sup> September** – Cheese and Wine welcome for new parents.

**Weds 17<sup>th</sup> September** – 'Meet the Team'

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September** – Coffee Morning

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** – School Birthday.

## Community News

**Harlow Brick Festival** – 21<sup>st</sup> September, Harlow Leisure Zone. 'All things lego'.

I hope everyone is able to make the most of the last of the sunshine this weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

*Debbie Hartley*



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# School year (2025/26)

**Start of term:** 3 September 2025 (INSET)

Pupils return 4<sup>th</sup> September ( new pupils and those identified as requiring additional transition)

ALL PUPILS return Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September

**Half term holiday:** 27 October 2025 - 31 October 2025

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 1.00 finish

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November – INSET

11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> FOCUS Week

Last day of term – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – 1pm Finish

**Christmas holiday:** 22 December 2025 - 2 January 2026

**Half term holiday:** 16 February 2026 - 20 February 2026

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 1.00 Finish

Last day of term – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – 1pm Finish

**Easter holiday:** 30 March 2026 - 10 April 2026

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May – INSET

6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> May – Focus week

**Half term holiday:** 25 May 2026 – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026 ( *NB 2 weeks*)

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July INSET

**BREAK UP for Summer Holidays – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026 – 1pm finish**

**Summer holiday:** 27 July 2026 - 31 August 2026





# **MIDDLETON SCHOOL PLANNER FOR FAMILIES** **September – December 2025**

	September	October	November	December
M	1			1
T	2			2
W	3 INSET DAY	1		3
T	4 Pupils return (grp 1)	2		4
F	5 All Pupils return	3 School birthday		5
S	6	4	1	6
S	7	5	2	7
M	8	6	3	8
T	9 New Parents Welcome Evening	7 SCHOOL PHOTOS	4	9 Nativity PM
W	10	8	5	10 Nativity AM & PM
T	11	9	6	11 Carols around the tree
F	12	10	7 1pm close staff CPD	12
S	13	11	8	13
S	14	12	9	14
M	15	13	10 INSET DAY	15 Panto U/S L/S M/S parties +FC
T	16	14	11 FOCUS WEEK	16 Panto L/S + M/S U/S party + FC
W	17 'Meet the staff team'	15	12	17 Christmas Lunch
T	18	16	13	18
F	19	17	14 Children in need	19 Disco Term End 1pm
S	20	18	15	20
S	21	19	16	21
M	22	20	17 Xmas photos week begins	22
T	23	21	18	23
W	24	22 Parent Consultations	19	24
T	25	23	20	25
F	26	24 Harvest Festival	21	26
S	27	25	22	27
S	28	26	23	28
M	29	27 Half term	24	29
T	30	28	25	30
W		29	26	31
T		30	27	
F		31	28 Open Day	
S			29	
S			30	
M				

Please note that pupils return to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024.