



Middleton News



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Welcome back to everyone. We hope you all had an enjoyable Summer Break. Its been lovely to see the children back in school and raring to go!



We would like to Welcome all our new pupils and families to our school community. Joining us this term is:

Robins: Aderiyike, Scarlett, Ava, Maddox, Rory, Daniel, Eden, Freddy, Logan, Stephen, Hope

Penguins: Najmdeen, Lejend, Reuben

Owls: Beril, Narin, Tyler

Toucans: Nadia, Jasiah, Samuel

Puffins: Jack, Bella-Rose

Swifts: Christian, Leonidas, Freddie

Eagles: Mia, Sasha

Kingfishers: Flynn, Atrissa



We also welcome a new Teaching Assistant to the school; Nicky Wilkins.

Holidays



We hope you all had a lovely Summer and survived the heat! I would like to take this opportunity to remind all families that we do not permit absence for a holiday during term time. We do have a two week half term in the Summer term. This allows families to book a cheap holiday for their family when it is out of season and quieter. This year we will not be in school from the 28th May 2027 until the 13th June 2027. The second week of this period will be your quiet and cheaper week!

New Guidance

You will have received a letter this week informing you of the change in guidance as to how we record and monitor restrictive interventions. If you would like further information about this practice or have questions please join our briefings on Wednesday 23rd September at either 2pm or 6pm here at Middleton.



I am sure your children have lots to tell you about their new class and would love the opportunity to share this with you in person! On Wednesday

16th September we will hold an open evening for you to attend school with your child and visit their classroom and meet their teaching staff. Put the date in your diary!

Tales From The Chalkface!

The topic in **Lower School** this half term is 'Changes'. For many of our Lower School pupils they are facing many significant changes at present so I'm sure this topic will be very relevant! However, after just one day in school the pupils are already sitting beautifully and engaging in tasks. Well done!



The new topic this term in **Middle School** is 'Out of this world'!

Lessons will I am sure include the popular story 'Aliens Love Underpants'. All the pupils will of course be 'stars'!

They have returned to school keen to interact with their friends and are already working hard!



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The learning theme in **Upper School** this half term will be 'Beans!'. Pupils will be learning about a range of different beans from across the globe – my personal favourite being the cocoa bean!

The pupils have matured over the summer and are ready to face the challenges of Upper School – many pupils already reading and writing with confidence on day one!



Clubs

At Middleton we offer the pupils a range of clubs to attend over the lunchtime period. These will be up and running over the next couple of weeks.

We also offer pupils a few after school clubs which have a fee to cover staffing costs. If you would like your child to attend an after school club then you also need to be able to collect them from school as they are unable to travel on transport. You will receive more information about this in the coming weeks.

Busy busy busy!

This September we have more pupils on roll than we have ever had before and also more parent drop off vehicles than ever before.

This is in part due to direction to take pupils following tribunal, over our funded number. It does impact the time it takes at drop off and pick up. Our priority will always be the health and safety of the pupils. We will work hard to make this drop off and pick up as efficient as possible but do please bear with us in the early days!

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. Further information will follow for any event that is applicable for your child.

Thursday 8th September

– Cheese & Wine Evening for New Families.

Wednesday 16th

September – Meet the Team evening

Saturday 19th

September – Family Picnic

Wednesday 23rd

September – Restrictive Intervention info evening 2pm and 6pm.

Monday 28th September

– Parent Reading Training 1.30pm

Welcome Cheese and Wine Evening



Families new to the school are invited to join us next Thursday 8th September 6.30- 7.30pm to find out more information and see how your child has settled in to life at Middleton. This is an event **for adults**, but

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we encourage you to attend and make new friends!

Enjoy the weekend – I think it's going to be a sunny one!

We look forward to meeting you all at events in the next few weeks.

Warm regards

Debbie Hartley

