



NEWSLETTER

11th July 2025

A message from our school leaders:

A huge well done to our Year 6 pupils and a brilliant set of SATs results. Thank you to Miss Dobinson and Mrs Emery for their hard work preparing and supporting the pupils so well throughout the year. We are so proud you all!

We're thrilled to share that the children had a wonderful time at The Forbidden Corner on Wednesday! Their behaviour was exceptional throughout the day, and they represented our school beautifully. Children had fun exploring the grounds and navigating their way through different tasks and activities. They all enjoyed some down time in the park and a delicious ice cream at the end. A **heartfelt** thank you to our **Friends of Middleton School (FOMS)** for generously funding this trip and offering their support. Your contribution made this memorable experience possible — it truly was a day to remember!

Looking ahead, class arrangements for next year are still being finalised and will be shared with you next week. The children will also have the opportunity to meet their new class teacher and spend some time together next Thursday, helping to ensure a smooth and positive transition for all children.

This year's annual reports will be sent out by class teachers on Monday. We hope you enjoy reading about the progress pupils have made throughout the year.

~ Friends of Middleton School (FOMS) ~

NEW MEMBERS NEEDED URGENTLY

In July, three of our committee members will be 'retiring' as their children move on to secondary school. If you would like to see the Friends of Middleton School continue, to provide funding for extracurricular events and opportunities, we urgently need new members to come forward.

We have been a registered charity for almost 34 years, and we don't want to see it have to come to an end!

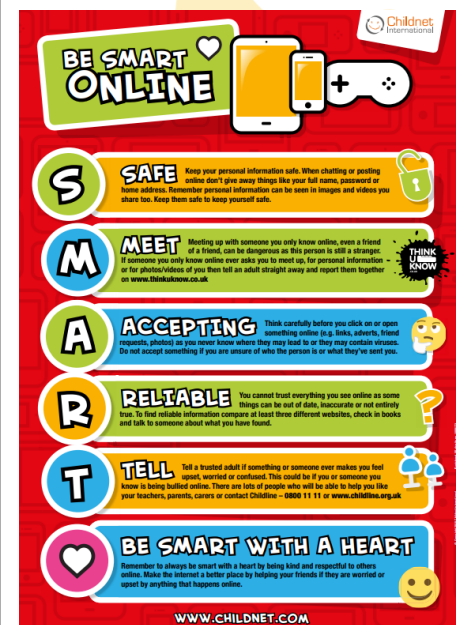
If you would be willing to join us please let the school office know.

Reminders and Messages

- Please remember to bring water bottles into school every day.
- A reminder that we are a **'NUT FREE'** school.
- **POLITE REMINDER:** We are unable to read or answer messages which are sent through Class Dojo. If you need to contact teachers, please telephone or make an appointment at the office.

Useful Online Safety Links

- [NSPCC](#)
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#)
- [Childline](#)



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

~THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE~

Reception	91.4%
Year 1+2	99.4%
Year 3+4	96.3%
Year 5+6	94.7%



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What have we been up to?



EYFS – Miss Anderson and Mrs Dobson

NURSERY

This week, we have been enjoying reading the story, 'We're Going on a Treasure Hunt'. Following the treasure hunt theme, we have made our own golden coins, treasure maps and parrots. The children have learnt new wondrous words, including: golden, treasure, treasure chest, shark and parrot. We have also practiced rolling a dice, counting the spots and then finding the correct amount of pirate treasure. Lots of fun has been had by all, dressing up as pirates, walking the plank and playing with the pirate ship.

REMINDER: On Tuesday 15th July we will be holding our EYFS Beach Afternoon, 1:00 – 3:15pm. On Friday 18th July we are holding our EYFS End of Year Picnic, 2:00 – 3:15pm

RECEPTION

This week, the children engaged in a map-based treasure hunt as part of their continuous provision. Using simple maps, they navigated the environment to locate hidden items and marked their findings, developing both their spatial awareness and early geography skills. During this activity, the children were introduced to positional and prepositional language, such as “next to,” “under,” “behind,” and “between.” They applied this vocabulary when describing where items were found on the map, supporting both their mathematical understanding and communication skills.

Our story focus this week was, 'The Singing Mermaid' by Julia Donaldson. In connection with the story, we explored themes of mermaids and the circus, encouraging the children to share what they already knew and ask questions to extend their learning. Through books, videos, and imaginative play, they developed a broader understanding of life under the sea and the magical world of circus performances.





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Y1/2 – Mrs Garnett, Mrs Aislabe and Miss Spenceley

What a fantastic week we've had!

In English, we've been reading, "Tell Me a Dragon," which sparked our imagination to create our very own dragons. The children were so creative, conjuring up unique characters with amazing attributes and fantastical stories!

We also took a trip to, The Forbidden Corner, and what a thrilling experience it was! The children were captivated by the strange and quirky features, with a few unexpected shocks and delightful scares along the way. Their laughter echoed as they explored every nook and cranny, truly embracing the spirit of adventure.

To top off our week, we had a rock assembly delivered by Rock Ready. The session was a brilliant taster for potential band lessons, and it was wonderful to see the children so enthusiastic about making music together.

Despite the warm weather, the children have been doing brilliantly, and we're all looking forward to the final week packed with excitement. We'll be heading to **Beamish Museum** for some educational fun, celebrating **All the Fun of the Fair**, and showcasing our talents in **Middleton's Got Talent**. We can't wait for the final adventures of the school year!





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Y3/4 – Miss McDonnell and Mrs Niven

Year 3 and 4 have been very energetic this week, so we've made the most of it during lesson time and enjoyed some more interactive lessons. This has included role playing during history. The children did a fabulous job of working in groups to act out the life of Cleopatra - they worked as teams to assign key roles to each member of the group and then created some fantastic plays for us all to watch. We definitely have some budding actors and actresses in the class!!

It didn't stop here though, the children have been very creative across lots of subjects. They have created their final DT piece, a square-based pyramid, using cardboard. Everyone was eager to showcase all of the new facts they have learnt around the outside of their pyramids. They look fantastic, well done everyone.

The children are all doing very well with their French, reminding me of the colours and adjectives during lessons on jungle animals. Not forgetting English, where they have finally moved onto the much awaited mummification lessons. This week has begun with delving into the use of Canopic jars and how the Ancient Egyptians believed the brain was of no importance in the afterlife!

Well done Year 3 and 4 on a fantastic week, full of wonderful pieces of work, positive attitudes and team work.





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Y5/6 – Miss Dobinson and Mrs Emery

This week has been packed with excitement, creativity, and adventure!

On Monday, we wrapped up our topic on ancient civilisations by making a final comparison between the Ancient Egyptians and the Ancient Maya. We focused on their fascinating writing styles, and the children had a great time having a go at writing in Mayan glyphs — a real challenge, but lots of fun!

In English, we've continued writing the next chapter of *Holes*. The children have been working hard to incorporate adverbs, prepositions, and expanded noun phrases to create vivid and descriptive writing. Their ideas and imagination have really shone through!

Wednesday was a highlight of the week — our fantastic trip to **The Forbidden Corner**! We explored a labyrinth of tunnels, tombs, and twisting mazes, getting wonderfully lost along the way. A huge thank you to the **Friends of Middleton School** for organising such a memorable outing — the whole class had an amazing time.

As we approached the end of the week, things quietened down slightly as our Year 6 pupils headed off on their transition days to secondary school. We hope they had a brilliant experience and are feeling excited about this next chapter!





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Upcoming
Events:

	Event
JULY	
Mon 14 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – 2pm
Tues 15 th July	EYFS Beach Afternoon, 1:00 – 3:15pm
Wed 16 th July	FOMS All the Fun of the Fair - pm
Fri 18 th July	EYFS End of Year Picnic, 2:00 – 3:15pm
Fri 18 th July	Middleton's Got Talent – in house only
Fri 18 th July	School closes for the Summer Holiday