

5th September 2025

A message from our school leaders:

Welcome back to a brand-new school year at Middleton-in-Teesdale Academy! We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. It's wonderful to see our school full of energy, smiles, and excitement once again.

Whether you're returning or joining us for the first time, we're delighted to have you as part of our school community. We have been busy planning an exciting autumn term which is packed with opportunities for learning, creativity, and growth.

Uniform Reminder

We kindly ask that all children come to school in full uniform each day, including appropriate footwear. Uniform helps promote a sense of belonging and pride in our school. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

School uniform | Middleton-in-Teesdale Academy

Attendance Matters

Good attendance is vital for children's learning and wellbeing. We encourage families to aim for 100% attendance wherever possible. If your child is unwell or unable to attend, please contact the school office as soon as you able to and before 9am. Let's work together to make every school day count!

We're committed to working in partnership with you to support every child's development and wellbeing. Please look out for regular updates, key dates, and opportunities to get involved in school life.

Here's to a fantastic start to the autumn term!

Friends of Middleton School (FOMS)

NEW MEMBERS NEEDED URGENTLY

In July, three of our committee members 'retired' as their children moved 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~

Rec/Yr 1 100.0%

Yr 2/3/4 97.2%

Yr 5/6 90.7%



What have we been up to?







Nursery - Mrs Dobson

NURSERY

It has been wonderful to welcome our children back into Nursery, where we also welcomed five new starters, who have settled in fantastically!

Although only a 3-day week, we have been very busy. The children have attended their first assembly of this academic year, where they sat quietly and listened to our Headteacher's 'welcome'. They have also eaten their lunch in the dinner hall each day, had lots of fun playing outside in the Nursery Garden, shared stories with each other, practiced their fine motor skills and decorated glittery stars. They particularly enjoyed their PE session with our PE coach, Ben, from Education Enterprise Ltd. We have also been singing the song, 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star' and we finished off the week by making star-shaped biscuits - check out our Facebook page for more pictures.









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YrR/1 – Miss Humpherson, Miss Anderson and Mrs Niven

It has been a fantastic start to the new school year in Reception and Year 1, and all of the children have settled in really well and already getting used to their daily routines.

Reception have enjoyed learning all about the book, 'Monkey Puzzle' and getting familiar with their new friends and learning environment. Year 1 have started to look at using capital letters in writing and have been very busy sorting objects and shapes into different groups; they also continued to use these skills when learning where our food comes from and which foods come from animals and which come from plants.

We look forward to seeing you next Thursday for, 'Meet the Teacher' and hope you all have a lovely weekend. I'm sure all the children will be very tired after their busy week.













What have we been up to?

Yr2/3/4 - Mrs Garnett, Mrs Aislabie and Miss Spenceley

Welcome back, everyone!

It has been absolutely wonderful to see all the children looking very smart in their uniforms as they've settled back into their routines. They've done fantastically well at following our school rules, by being ready, respectful, and safe. It truly sets a positive tone for the year ahead!

This week, we've been quite busy crafting our class charter, where everyone contributed their ideas on how we can make our classroom a great place to learn. We also got creative with some welcome-back acrostic poems, that showcased the excitement of a new school year. Of course, we also had our first PE lesson, and it was delightful to see such enthusiasm!

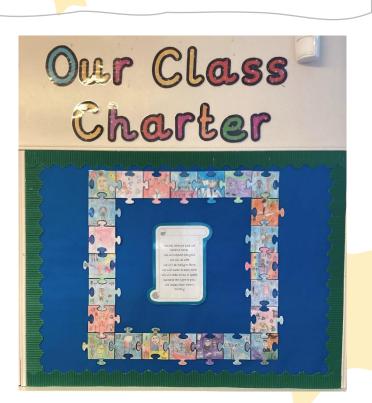
Looking forward, the children are already buzzing with anticipation for what this year will bring.

Next week, each child will receive their new reading book and reading diary, which we kindly ask to be brought to school every day. It will be a great way to encourage a love of reading!

We hope everyone has had a lovely few days back. Here's to a fantastic year filled with learning, laughter, and lots of fun!









What have we been up to?

Yr5/6 – Mrs Wharton and Mrs Emery

Welcome to Year 5&6!

Mrs Emery and I have had a wonderful first week back with the children, and we hope they have too!

This week, we have played games, had our first P.E. lesson and agreed on our learning promise for the year. It is fantastic to have a class of children who take pride not only in their appearance, but their written work too - we have been really impressed with lots of neat handwriting.

On Monday, you are warmly invited to 'Meet the Teacher' which will take place in the Y5/6 classroom at the end of the school day (15:30). We look forward to seeing you then.









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