



NEWSLETTER

20th December 2024

A message from our school leaders:

On our final week of school in 2024, I would like to say a huge well done to all our pupils for their hard work this year. There have been so many successes academically, pupils excelling in their music talents and their PE ability, and so many more achievements to mention. We are incredibly proud of all the children and the brilliant progress they have made over the year. Well done to all our superstars

I would also like to thank the staff for their dedication to our school. They are truly committed to ensuring the pupils are happy and have a well-rounded education.

Finally, to our parents and carers, your support means a lot to us all.

From all the staff, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

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.

Friends of Middleton School (FOMS)

The Friends of Middleton School (FOMS) would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to all those who have supported our cause so far this year, from sending funds in for the school disco and movie night, to the purchasing and selling of our Christmas Raffle tickets. All these events allow us to subsidise school trips for the pupils, such as paying for the transport for last week's pantomime trip.

THANK YOU and HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Useful Online Safety Links

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

BE SMART ONLINE

S SAFE Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.

M MEET Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk.

A ACCEPTING Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.

R RELIABLE You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check to books and talk to someone about what you have found.

T TELL Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline - 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk

BE SMART WITH A HEART
Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

WWW.CHILDNET.COM

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

~THIS WEEKS ATTENDANCE~

Reception	100.0%
Year 1+2	89.5%
Year 3+4	97.4%
Year 5+6	96.6%



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What have we been up to?



EYFS – Miss Anderson and Mrs Dobson

NURSERY and RECEPTION

This week Nursery and Reception have enjoyed lots of festive fun! We have watched Arthur Christmas on our movie afternoon, made Christmas baubles, Christmas cards and finally had our Christmas party!

The children won prizes for musical statues, musical corners and best dancer. They even got to meet Santa Claus!

Merry Christmas to you all and enjoy a well, deserved break.





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

We have had such festive week in Year 1+2. First of all, we had a lovely surprise through the post... our letters from Santa Claus. The children were all pleased to know that they are on the nice list!

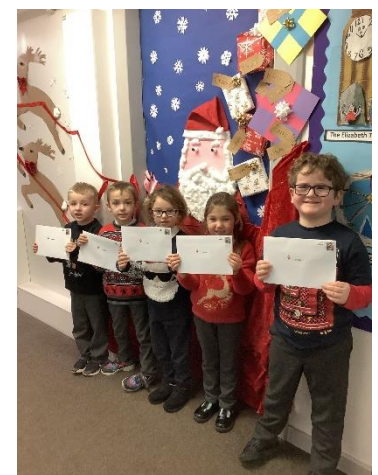
Throughout the week, we have made a range of Christmas crafts, including reindeer photo frames, Christmas cards, Christmas elves and a calendar for 2025. The children took great care to create some lovely crafts.

On Wednesday, the children looked fantastic in their Christmas jumpers and enjoyed their Christmas lunch. We also watched a Christmas movie - 'The Nativity', in our house groups. This was a big hit with the children!

To end the week, we celebrated by having a Christmas party. The children played lots of party games and danced their socks off! They even had a special visit from Santa Claus. They are all super excited for Christmas! We are very proud of all of the children in Year 1+2 this term.

We hope you all have a lovely Christmas, and we look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Thank you for your continued support.





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Y3/4 – Mr Frazer and Mrs Niven

It is the most wonderful time of the year.....and the most exciting with all of our Christmas activities! However, we were able to squeeze in some maths: our Year 3's have been learning the basics of length in mm, cm and m, ahead of the new unit next term. Year 4 have tried their hand at some division using bus stop methods - we will be practising this lots so they can relate their times table knowledge to division facts. Speaking of times tables, there will be a Year 3 and Year 4 battle over the holiday on Times Table Rockstars. To join in, the children just need to log in and play some games. I will be looking for the person with the most correct answers.

Hopefully, you heard all about our wonderful Carol Concert on Monday, the children were amazing and really showed off all the effort that they had put in during rehearsals.

We have enjoyed a Christmas movie afternoon in our house groups and a KS2 Christmas Party, where we danced and sang to some lively music. Overall, we have mostly been tidying up and getting ourselves ready for a relaxing Christmas break. From all of us in the Year 3+4 team, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.





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Y5/6 – Miss Dobinson and Mrs Emery

What a festive final week we have had. Mrs. Emery and I are incredibly proud of each and every child who read and sang at this year's Christmas Carol Concert; they showed great confidence and poise.

We have also enjoyed our delicious Christmas Lunch (prepared and cooked by the children's favourite member of staff, Lucinda) whilst wearing our Christmas jumpers. With a full tummy, we relaxed in our house groups to watch the film Nativity.

On Thursday afternoon, we celebrated the end of the calendar year and term, with a school disco. Children had great fun dancing and playing lots of party games.

In amongst the Christmas fun, we also completed our DT unit, whereby children made and inserted their completed 'Steady Hand' game circuits into their decorated base.

We also finished off our R.E. unit, where children learnt why the Qur'an is vital to the Islamic religion.

We hope that you have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2025.





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Upcoming
Events:

	Event
Friday 20 th Dec	School breaks up for Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 7 th Jan	School re-opens to all pupils
Wednesday 8 th Jan	ASC Gymnastics for Years 3+4 commences
Thursday 9 th Jan	ASC Football for Years 5+6 commences
Friday 10 th Jan	Martin Luther King Day
Monday 13 th Jan	ASC Gymnastics for Years 1+2 commences
Monday 13 th Jan	SATs Booster Club for Year 6 pupils commences
Tuesday 14 th Jan	ASC School Choir commences
Wednesday 15 th Jan	Swimming Lessons commence for Years 3+4
Tuesday 21 st Jan	WW2 Rationing Workshop
Thursday 23 rd Jan	SATs Information Meeting for Parents, 3:30 – 4:00pm
Friday 24 th Jan	Sportshall Athletics Competition, Yrs 5+6
Thursday 30 th Jan	Viking Workshop for Years 3+4
Monday 10 th Feb	Gymnastics Festival, Yrs 3+4
Friday 14 th February	FOMS Valentine's Disco
Friday 21 st February	School Breaks Up for Half Term