



Middlefield Primary Academy

Headteacher's Monthly Newsletter

September 2026

'Be the best you can be!'



Dear Parents and Carers,

It seems strange to be saying 'Welcome back' at the end of what's been a busy first month at Middlefield. Having said that, it is a lovely chance to reflect on how much the children have already come on since returning after the summer holiday. A warm welcome to our new Reception children and their families. We are so proud of how you are settling in—they are working extremely hard so much so that I have already handed out a number of diamonds. Keep it up!

We are pleased to be welcoming back Miss Burnett in Year 4 and Mr Hinkley in Year 3. Mr Hinkley is



currently working 1 day per week, but will be increasing his hours in the New Year ready for when Mrs Hunt welcomes her bundle of joy.

In addition to this, we would also like to welcome Mrs Brown to Middlefield, who has joined us as a Teaching Assistant. She will be mostly based in

Reception and Year 1, but you may well see her across the school at other times as well. She has already made fantastic relationships with the children and we are thrilled to have her as part of the Middlefield team.

There has been quite a bit of change with many teachers moving to new year groups this year, but both adults and children have settled into their classrooms brilliantly. It has been wonderful to see the children enjoying their learning in their new classrooms, although sometimes I need reminders about which year group I am in.

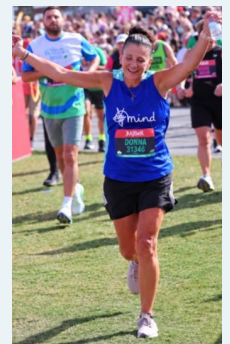


Teacher led after school clubs have now started and it's been lovely to see the children enjoying these opportunities. Thank you for reminding your children to display the same **ready**, **respectful** and **safe** behaviour during these sessions as we would expect throughout the school day. Please let the office know if your child is unable to attend these sessions.

The PTA are already working hard behind the scenes with both some existing projects across the school and looking forward to new ones. We are always very grateful for their support. Look out for details about some exciting events that are happening in school soon!

Young Carers—If your child helps to care for a family member who has an illness, disability, mental health difficulty or other additional need, they may be a young carer. We'd love to know who our young carers are so that we can understand their needs and make sure they have the right support in school. If you think your child may be a young carer, please get in touch with the school office. We're always happy to chat and answer any questions, and all information will be treated sensitively and confidentially.

In other news, our very own Mrs Ashwell recently completed the Great North Run, raising almost £2000 for Mind. We are all so very proud of this achievement.



Finally, as many of you know, Mrs Besant has been away from school while she supports her daughter with her health. She is in regular contact with us and very much missing the children, families and staff, and we know she will be touched by all of the kind messages and good wishes she has received. We continue to send our very best to Mrs Besant and her family and will welcome her back when the time is right.



October

Monday 5th— PTA School Disco

Thursday 8th—Individual School Photos

Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd—Parent Meetings

Monday 26th—Friday 30th - October Half Term

November

Monday 2nd—Children back to school

December

Friday 18th—Last day of term

January

Monday 4th—Training Day—No School

Tuesday 5th—Children back to school

Thursday 21st—Y6 Young Voices