Middlefield Primary Academy

Headteacher's Monthly Newsletter

November 2026

'Be the best you can be!



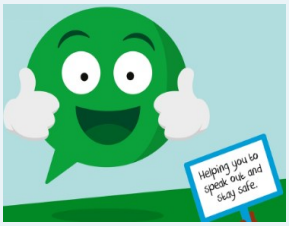
Dear Parents and Carers,



It has been a very busy month with lots going on as is often the case in this term. We started the month by marking Remembrance Day. We were extremely proud of all of the children as we observed the silence on 11th November. Children also created some beautiful Remembrance Day themed artwork which is now proudly on display.



It was World Nursery Rhyme week 9th-13th November and Reception of course celebrated it in true early years style by holding a dress up day. I was so impressed with the costumes and the creativity from all of the children involved. They were also lucky enough to have a session with Music Bugs who delivered an interactive session filled with props, songs and games—it was a huge hit!



We marked Anti-Bullying Week, 16–20 November, with a whole-school assembly. We talked about what bullying can look like and reminded children who they can speak to if they are worried or upset. We also reminded them of the acronym **STOP** — Several Times On Purpose — to help children understand the difference between unkind behaviour and bullying. As part of our wider work to help children feel safe and know where to turn for support, we also shared the NSPCC's Speak Out, Stay Safe programme. This helps children recognise when something may not be right and encourages them to speak to a trusted adult.

We have also been reminding children to leave precious items at home—trinkets, keyrings, teddies and so on—unfortunately we have had a few go missing in school which can leave children feeling upset. Please remind children to leave personal belongings at home where possible. Thank you.

This month, the children have been working really hard during assessment week, and it has been lovely to see so many of them enjoying the opportunity to show off what they can do! We are incredibly proud of their efforts and simply ask that they always work hard, try their best and remember our school motto: ***Be the best you can be!***

Children from Year 1 to Year 6 were lucky enough to visit the local cinema as part of the Into Film Festival this week. We were incredibly proud of their behaviour and hope they all enjoyed sharing this time with their friends.

I have had the pleasure of welcoming many new families for tours of our school. It has been wonderful to hear such positive feedback about Middlefield and to see how proud our children are of their school. A special mention must go to Harper and Evan, who have been fantastic ambassadors. They supported the tours brilliantly and spoke with such confidence about life at Middlefield – well done!

We have lots of exciting events coming up in school as the festive season approaches so please make sure to check the upcoming dates on the next page. The PTA Christmas Fayre is Thursday 3rd December straight after school. I know there will be lots of fun stalls and games so please do come along to support.

Best wishes and keep safe. From Mrs Peckham and all of the staff at Middlefield



December

Thursday 3rd– KS2 Singing on the steps 2.40pm & PTA Christmas Fayre 3.15-4.45pm

Thursday 10th–PTA Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 14th–EYFS & KS1 Nativity 10am & 2pm

Wednesday 16th– Christmas Lunch

Friday 18th–End of Term Non Uniform Day

January

Monday 4th–Training Day–No School

Tuesday 5th–Children back to school

Thursday 21st–Y6 Young Voices

February

Monday 15th–Friday 19th–February Half Term

Monday 22nd - Children back to School

March

Wednesday 10th–Year 3 Class Assembly 2.45pm

Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th–Parent Meetings

Thursday 25th–Last Day of Term