



MIDDLEWICH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2018

Welcome to our first newsletter of the school year. I am pleased to say that all of the children have settled into their new classes well and have already produced some lovely work. We have a busy term ahead, so please have a look at the key dates below.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY Please also see attached dates for the school year 2018-2019

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Tues 25 th Sept	PTA meeting, The Kinderton	8.00pm
Fri 28 th Oct	Macmillan Coffee Morning	9.00am – 10.00am
Mon 1 st Oct	Y1 to Manchester Aviation Centre	
Wed 3 rd Oct	Y2 to Nantwich Museum	
Mon 15 th Oct	Y4 to Dewa Experience, Chester	
Mon 15 th Oct – Fri 19 th Oct	Y6 to JCA Condover Hall	
Tues 16 th Oct	PTA meeting, staff room	7.00pm
Wed 24 th Oct & Thurs 25 th Oct	Y5 Bikeability	
Wed 24 th Oct	PTA Firework Display	TBC
Thursday 25 th Oct	School closes for half term	3.15pm & 3.20pm
Friday 26 th Oct	INSET DAY – Parent/carer consultations	All day
Monday 5 th Nov	School opens for pupils	8.50am
Tues 6 th Nov	Photographer in school – individual photos	morning
Fri 16 th Nov	PTA Family Bingo	TBC

Start of the School Day

Just a reminder that the school bell is rung at 8.50am each morning. The external doors are closed immediately after the children have entered the building in order to secure the school. Please bring your child to the school office if they have not entered the school with their class and teacher. Thank you.

Reporting Absence to School

Please report all absences by **9.00am** by calling the school on 01606 288300 and choosing Option 1, alternatively choose Option 2 to speak to a member of the office staff. If your child is off for any reason, it is an important part of our safeguarding duty that we know where your child is. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Home Time Collection

Recently, we have had a few parents forgetting to tell the class teacher that their child is going home with another child and parent at the end of the school day. Again for safeguarding reasons, we never let children go with other parents unless this has been confirmed by parents themselves. If your child is being collected by another parent, or in fact somebody who does not usually collect, (for example an aunty or uncle), please let the class teacher know in the morning or contact the school office.

Consultation Times

If you have any concerns or queries that you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, if possible, please use the following weekly consultation times: If you need to speak to a member of staff as a matter of urgency, please go to the main office and ask for the message to be passed on to the class teacher.

FPR:	Thurs 3.15pm	FS:	Tues 3.15pm
1W:	Mon 3.15pm	1B:	Mon 3.15pm
2AW:	Mon 3.15pm	2SW:	Mon 3.15pm
3S:	Thurs 8.40am	3D:	Thurs 8.40am
4L:	Thurs 3.20pm	4T:	Thurs 8.40am
5G:	Thurs 3.20pm	5H:	Thurs 3.20pm
6D:	Thurs 8.40am	6M:	Thurs 8.40am

Dinner Money

From September 2018 the cost of a school meal has increased to **£2.20 per day, £11.00 for a full week.**

WAYS TO PAY – Please ensure that all payments for school meals are made promptly. Meals can be paid for through Schoolcomms online payments – <http://www.schoolgateway.com>, by cheque (made payable to Cheshire East Council) or by cash (in an envelope, clearly labelled with your child's name and class) . If possible, please send all money into school at the start of the week. Thank you.

Breakfast Club

From September, parents/carers using the school breakfast club will receive a weekly statement.

Please ensure all sessions are paid for by the end of the week. You can pay through Schoolcomms online payments <http://www.schoolgateway.com>, by cheque (made payable to Cheshire East Council) or by cash.

PTA News

We would like to welcome Mrs Adlington and Mrs Mayne into the roles of chair and vice chair respectively of our school PTA. Both parents have already been very active members of the committee and are keen to continue the very good work of our active PTA. We would like to say a big thank you to Mr Asher and Mr Murray who stood down from these roles after several years of dedication and hard work.

The PTA have many events planned for this year including the autumn bingo and fireworks this term. If you would like to support the PTA by offering a few hours here and there, please do come along to the next meeting at The Kinderton on Tuesday 25th September at 8pm or email PTA@middlewichpri.cheshire.sch.uk for more information.

E- Safety news

We know that many of our pupils enjoy watching YouTube videos at home. If your child uses this site, please have a look at the following one-page guide to YouTube for parents and carers:

<https://2j39y52a62gm1afygb3g1xbu-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Youtube-Parents-Guide.pdf>

School Uniform

Please can we remind all parents and carers that correct school uniform should be worn by pupils at all times. Many children do like to wear a Middlewich Primary School badged fleece. However, we do ask that these are worn as lightweight jackets and not as part of their uniform indoors.

Can we also please remind you that children need to wear black school shoes (and not black trainers/pumps). A full list of our uniform is available on the school website, including examples of acceptable shoes.

<http://www.middlewichprimary.org/page/school-uniform/6758>

School car park

Please can I thank all of the parents/carers and grandparents who always park on Tesco car park each morning and afternoon for drop off and pick up. By not parking at school and at the top of Park Road, you put children's safety above your personal convenience.

No cars are permitted on the school car park without authorisation from the headteacher.

Permits are allocated to Blue Badge holders only. **If you must park on the local roads, please park responsibly and with residents in mind.** Please reapply for permits in September.

Take particular care when reversing on Park Road. This is an area of heavy congestion, with many very small children using the paths, which makes it high risk for accidents. Children's safety must be the highest priority for us all.



Messages to School



Please can we ask that any email correspondence to school is made using our main school email address, admin@middlewichpri.cheshire.sch.uk. Please do not send texts to school via the Schoolcomms system as this is not monitored daily.