



**Feelgood
Friday
Newsletter**

**17th
September
2021**





Message from Mr Fry

Dear parents and carers

Welcome back to the new school year. It's been great to see the school full of happy and enthusiastic children and staff after the summer break. Thank you for working with the school as we all continue to manage Covid in our community - we are all hoping that we can avoid the disruption of last year. I started my new job last week and it's been lovely to see two schools in action! I am very excited to see what Middleton can learn from Ravensthorpe and vice versa. I already have lots of ideas about how we can work together and had the pleasure of leading a Teams assembly for both schools at the same time last week. My main aim this year is to help every child in both schools 'unlock their potential' and have a happy and successful year. I know I can count on all parents and carers to help me achieve this aim and I'm really looking forward to working with you all.

Best wishes, Mr Fry

Executive Head Middleton and Ravensthorpe



Message from Mrs McGonigle

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to have the school full today, as Reception children joined us full time, and for some of our pre-Covid routines return. Thank you for all your support with the changes to systems, also your positivity in following reminders. The children have come to the end of their second week back at school and I know many have found the slightly earlier 'get ups', and the return to learning routines, quite tiring. I suspect it may be the same for some of us adults too, so I hope the weekend will bring us all some rest. It has been wonderful to feel part of a school buzzing with excited children during the many activities I have been able to see them take part in, including my whole school introduction assembly as the new Head; introducing myself as Professor McGonigle's niece (Harry Potter) and bringing my magic wand in to spread some positive magic at Middleton; the children's excitement was fantastic to see. I was also delighted to be involved in the introduction of Middleton's Marvellous Breakfast for all children this week and the singing assemblies have been an absolute delight with Mrs Hudson leading and inspiring. We know that local Covid figures have seen a rise and we will continue to work hard to balance safety with enabling our children's learning and other school experiences to be maximised.

All the best, Mrs McGonigle - Head of School

DO THE RIGHT THING

SAY YES TO THE VACCINE AND GET A TEST
IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19



With Covid still in our communities, we all need to do the right thing to keep rates as low as possible.

⚠️ **Say yes to the vaccine. That's both doses.**

Everyone over the age of 18 can now get the jab.

Book online at www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19 or by phoning 119. For walk-in centres and pop up clinics visit www.thevaccinators.co.uk

Remember there must be an eight week gap between your first and second jab.

⚠️ **Get a test if you have symptoms.**

If you have symptoms of Covid-19 – a high temperature, a new or persistent cough or a loss in sense of taste or smell – book a test at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test and self-isolate.

⚠️ **Self-isolate if you are asked to by NHS Test and Trace.**

Lots of support is available for people who need to self-isolate including payments of £500 and help with accessing food and medicine.

For information visit www.peterborough.gov.uk/selfisolationsupport

REMEMBER

- MEET PEOPLE OUTDOORS OR IN WELL-VENTILATED PLACES IF YOU CAN
- KEEP A POLITE DISTANCE FROM OTHERS
- WEAR A MASK IN CROWDED PLACES – OR WHERE YOU CAN'T KEEP A DISTANCE
- WASH YOUR HANDS WELL AND OFTEN



ⓘ For further updates and information check our website which will be regularly updated www.peterborough.gov.uk/coronavirus

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Covid has not gone away. If your child has any of these symptoms please do not send them to school and book a PCR test:

- A high temperature
- A persistent cough
- A loss of taste or smell.

PCR Tests can be booked at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by calling 119.

Please visit a testing centre if you can, rather than getting a postal test.

Lateral Flow Tests, the type you can collect from chemists, should not be used on children under 11.





IMPORTANT INFORMATION



The start of a new school year is a great time to remind everyone about the importance of good attendance at school, especially after all the Covid disruption over the last 18 months. We aim for 100% attendance every day. It is said that good attendance = best achievement: it's not just about learning in lessons, but all the interaction with other children and teachers which can give confidence and self-understanding as they grow. We are sure we can count on the support of all our parents and carers to ensure children are in school, on time, every day. Please see the letter about attendance for more information and please contact the school office if you have any questions.

0 days off school in a year 0 lessons missed	100%	Perfect attendance
2 days off school in a year 10 lessons missed	99%	Excellent attendance
5 days off school in a year 25 lessons missed	97%	Good attendance
10 days off school in a year 50 lessons missed	95%	Slightly below average attendance
14 days off school in a year 70 lessons missed	93%	Poor attendance
20 days off school in a year 100 lessons missed	90%	Very poor attendance

Healthy snacks & water bottles

Children can bring in a healthy snack to have at break time. This **MUST NOT** be chocolate or nuts – we are a nut free school.

Children **must** bring in a named water bottle.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Medication

If your child requires prescribed medication during the school day, you must complete a Medication form.

Injuries (outside of school)

If your child has an injury, such as a broken bone, please do let us know as soon as possible. We will need to put a care plan in place before they return to school.

Illness/Other Absences

If your child is ill, please call the school office on 01733 262696 and select option 1 to leave a message. The absence line is available 24/7.

If you have any queries or require links to any of our forms please email office@mps.pkat.co.uk





On Friday 24 September Middleton Primary School will be supporting MacMillan's Cancer charity by holding our own coffee morning. Children will be decorating biscuits and eating them with their friends at breaktime and staff will be baking cakes for sale in the staff room. A small contribution to this wonderful charity would be appreciated and can be handed in to class teachers on Friday morning.



From September, for every £10 spent in store or online, you'll get one Grow Token that Middleton can then redeem for a wide range of gardening and growing equipment. Download the MyMorrisons app today to take part.

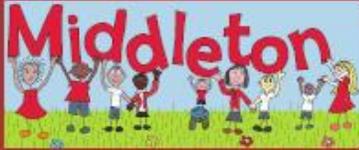


Year 5 children will soon be using their 1:1 PKAT iPad to support learning at school and at home. We know our children will look after their devices. We can't wait to see the amazing work they produce!



Check out the new Middleton website!
www.middletonprimaryschool.co.uk/

COMMUNITY



PRIMARY
SCHOOL



WE ARE A PROUD MEMBER OF
PETERBOROUGH KEYS ACADEMIES TRUST



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Learning with our head, heart
and hands



**WELCOME TO OUR
NEW WEBSITE!**

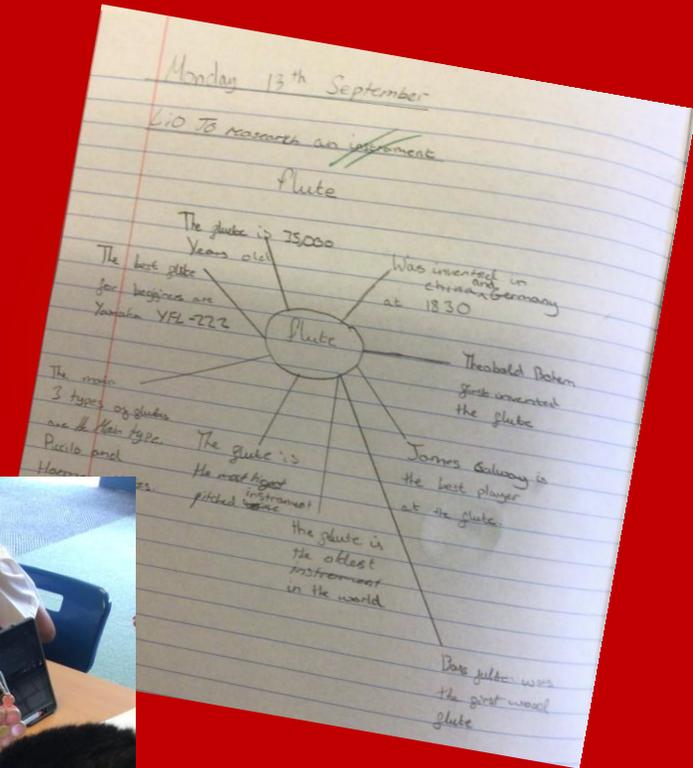
We launched our new website
on the 8th of September so we
are still 'tweaking' it to get it
just right. ... [LEARN MORE](#)

News from the classes.

This week...
Class 6CP



Using the I pads to
research a musical
instrument for our
Dimensions topic



Reading our new SFA
book, 'The Suitcase Kid'
by Jaqueline Wilson.

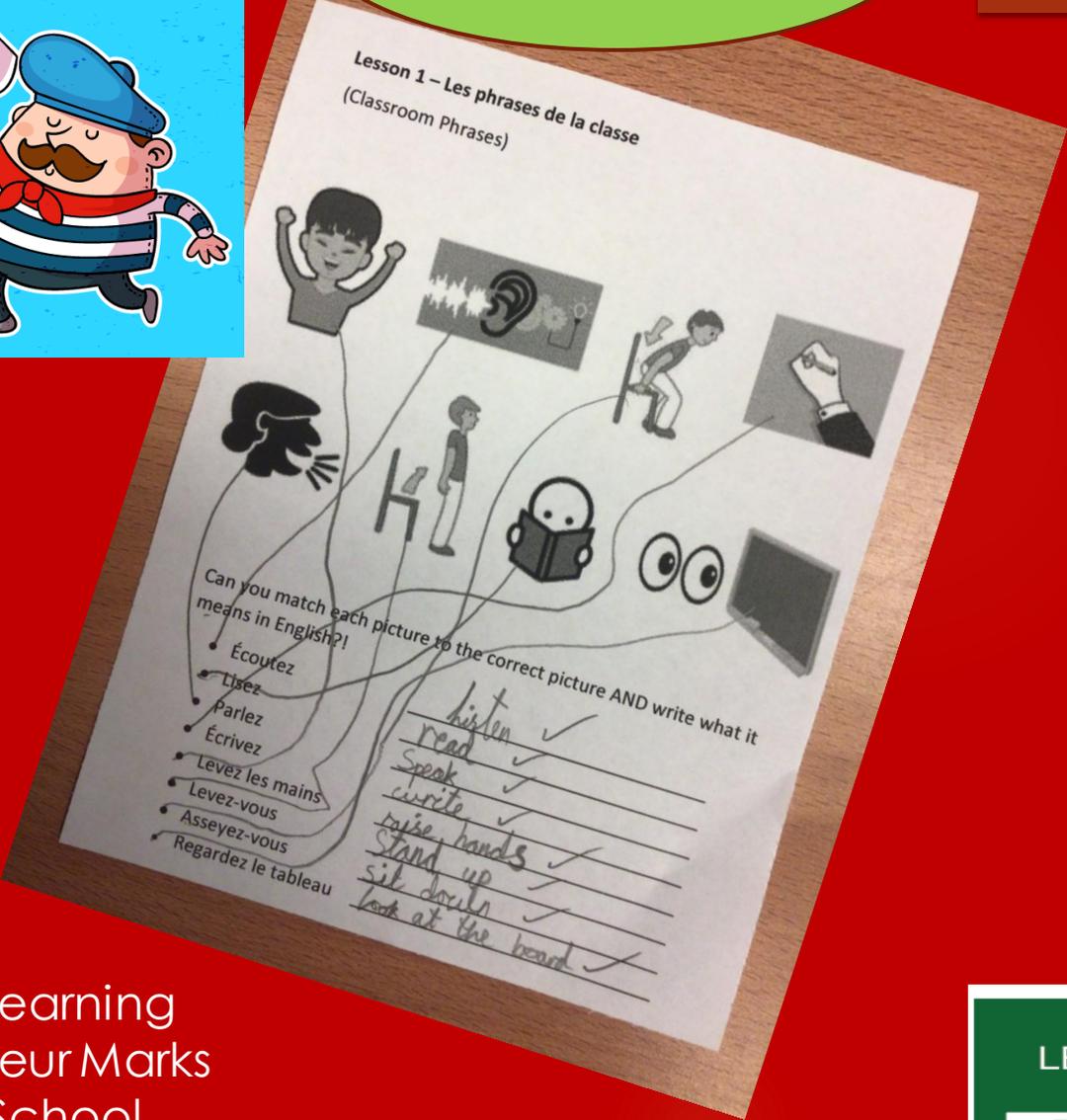


LEARNING





Class 6CP



Year 6 children Learning French with Monsieur Marks from Jack Hunt School.

Class 6CP



Introduction of
Middleton's Marvellous Breakfast
for all MPS children
Hot buttered bagels
for breakfast – yummy!



Ready and
excited to go to
swimming at
Jack Hunt School.

Well done – we are very proud of you!

Art work

Riding a bike without stabilisers!

All sports

Football

Cricket

Swimming

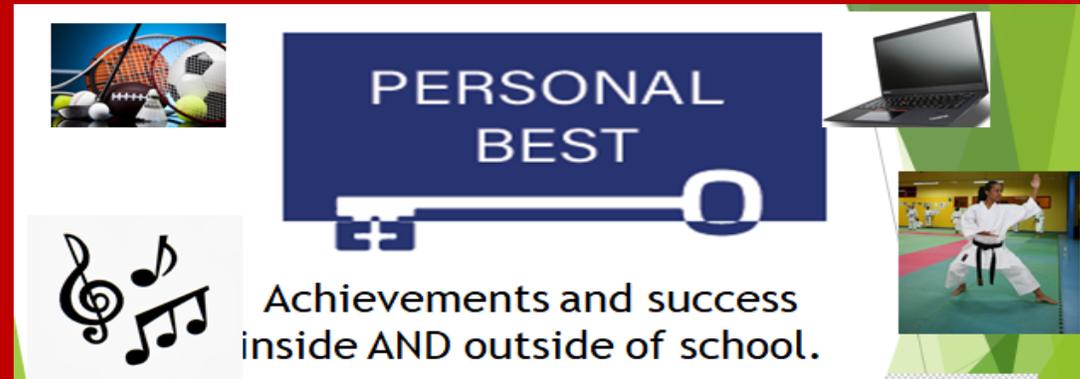
Coding

Playing a musical instrument

Karate/Martial Arts

Lego master

Dance/
Gymnastics



If your child achieves a '**Personal Best**' out of school, please email a photo to office@mps.pkat.co.uk so we can share their wonderful achievements on this page every week.

Birthdays this week



Milan
5



Filip
6

Ms Dale

Noah
7



Joseph
9

Joanna
7

Ruby
7

Martyna
9

Diana
5



Happy Birthday from everyone at Middleton!