



**Feel Good  
Festive  
Newsletter**

**17th  
December  
2021**

UNLOCKING  POTENTIAL





## Message from Mrs McGonigle and Mr Fry

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it to the final week of term and I'm sure that you are all looking forward to spending some time with family and friends. Your children have been working extra hard as they focused on their learning in the build-up to the Christmas holidays. Children have pranced like a Reindeer, twirled like a snowflake, hopped like an Elf, sparkled like a Christmas star during the festive Santa Run.

A very special visitor came to take over Santa's Grotto in the school garden and met with all the children from Reception to Year 6 and brought them presents before the children went to classrooms to open them. All children had a special Christmas Lunch in the Main Hall, which was bedecked with large LED inflatable Santa Sleigh and Nutcracker, snow and lights projector and Christmas music; it was a beautiful and happy atmosphere. Staff have been focused on ensuring children have a really positive end to this term. Despite the ongoing challenges this term, I have been proud of what we have achieved. We have managed to operate some of our school trips and visits that broaden the educational experience for our children and have kept the content of their curriculum as rich as possible. We have also managed to schedule a number of competitive sports matches and tournaments which the children have enjoyed competing in.

There is nothing quite like a group of children singing to warm the heart. On the last day of term, the whole school sang Christmas carols around the Tree in the garden; it was magical. Middleton is a very special place indeed with the most wonderful children.

I know the announcement about further restrictions is not what any of us wanted to hear. We are continuing to do everything we can to balance keeping your children and everyone safe whilst delivering an outstanding education. We are incredibly proud and humbled by the way everyone has pulled together to achieve this exceptionally difficult balancing act. I am pleased to report that cases in school are still very low when compared with the local community and other local schools.

I would like to thank you all for your support during the course of the year and particularly this term. It has again been a year like none of us have experienced before and this doesn't look like changing soon. We will continue to adapt and adjust to the situation and make decisions based on the best interests of our children, staff and families.

Have a wonderful Christmas break and a successful New Year and I look forward to seeing you all again on 5th January 2022.

Best wishes, Mrs McGonigle and Mr Fry

# News from the classes.



This week...  
Owls

It's snowing!



Visiting Santa's  
Grotto.



Santa Run

Building a sleigh for Santa.



Singing around the  
Christmas tree.



Fly like a  
Christmas Fairy.

# News from the classes.



This week...  
Robins

Building a sleigh for Santa.



Christmas Dinner.



Visiting Santa's Grotto.



It's snowing!



Making Christmas cards and hats.



Singing around the Christmas tree.

# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
Butterflies



"I loved seeing Santa and I liked it when he sat with us to take a picture."

Amelia

"I was so proud of my beautiful snowflake."

Amina



"The snow felt cold on my face, and it made me laugh."

Mujib



"The hot chocolate was so tasty with marshmallows. I loved it so much."

Ruan

"I loved seeing who had sent me cards every day. We got to say thank you to our friends for being kind."



"I liked attaching the Christmas tree to our hat because it is funny to have a tree on our head."

Ezmae

I loved the pantomime with a hot chocolate and a cookie. It was delicious and funny."

Myah



"I liked the lights in the hall, it was very special. My favourite part was the long thing (Pigs in Blankets)"

Filip



# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
Ladybirds



SANTA!!!  
Yes, we got to see Santa in a grotto in the school playground

We made Christmas hats to wear for our Christmas lunch! Our pudding was a STAR cookie



Our classroom is very sparkly after using lots of glitter this week!  
Who would say no to a glittery tree decoration?



Miss Howard dressed up as Olaf the Snowman for our Santa Run



Jingles and Edwin, our Year 1 Elves set up a hot chocolate station for us. We enjoyed hot chocolates and cookies during the pantomime



We made Christmas paper chains!



SNOW!!!  
What a magical experience we had seeing Santa and playing in the snow!

# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
2SD

- Mrs. S. Downer will start maternity leave in January 2022 - We wish her well.
- Mrs. R Taylor and Mrs. P Ould will be the new Class Teacher's and spent time with the children on The Bear theatre trip on Tuesday 7 December.



It was great fun making Rudolph pictures with our hands and finger painting our Christmas Cards



We enjoyed wearing our hats during Christmas Dinner



We have used our maths skills to solve puzzles



The Santa run was Jolly good fun!



# News from the classes.

LEARNING



This week...  
2KB

We visited Santa in his Grotto, it was really special!



It was really fun to create our Calendars to take home.

We worked in teams to design a Christmas jumper for Mrs McGonigle



Christmas lunch was magical with the decorations, sparkly tree, music and amazing food!



# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
30W



We met Santa! He talked to us and answered our questions about Christmas.



We used the green screen to make calendars. Each season had a different pose and background!



We enjoyed hot chocolate and decorated gingerbread men.



We had lots of fun and games during our Christmas party!

It was snowing!



We made Christmas hats and wore these while we enjoyed our Christmas Dinner!



# News from the classes.



This week...  
3ET/SC

- Miss. S. Chapman will start working at Ravensthorpe in January 2022 - We thank her and wish her well; the children and staff will miss her very much.  
- Miss Thompson will be the full time Class Teacher from January 2022



Carol singing round the tree put us all in the festive mood.



We had a lovely festive Christmas dinner.

We enjoyed our visit to Santa and playing in the snow.



We enjoyed our Christmas party, playing lots of party games!



# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
4NB

Filmed our own  
version of The  
Christmas Story

Had a  
Christmas  
party

Visited Santa's  
grotto and  
played in the  
snow

Decorated  
Christmas  
cards

Watched a  
Christmas  
video made by  
our teachers

Watched a  
pantomime  
(Oh yes we  
did!)

Jack  
Beanstalk  
#AreYouPantoReady?



# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
4RT/PO

- Mrs. R Taylor and Mrs. P Ould will move to Year 2 in January 2022. The Year 4 children have enjoyed having the support from them this term.
- Mr. Pearce will move from Year 6 to Year 4 full time in January 2022.
- We wish Ms. Lilley (Trainee Teacher) well on her next teaching placement, ahead of returning to us in April 2022.



We made Party hats to wear during Christmas lunch



We had fun doing the Santa run and then watching the panto...oh no we didn't!



We visited Santa in his Grotto and played in the snow!



# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
5AH/AM

- Mrs. A Margerson will move to Year 6 in January 2022.
- Mrs. M Smith will return from maternity leave in January 2022 and join the class.
- Mr. A Hudson will continue to be the Class Teacher and will change teaching days to Wednesday - Friday from January 2022. Mrs. Smith will be Monday and Tuesday



We had fun in the snow machine!



We tried to figure out who was on the naughty list with Santa!



We enjoyed our Christmas crafts.

# News from the classes.



This week...  
5AA



Class 5AA have had an amazing time with all their Christmas preparations.



Decorating hats and the finished items.



Santa's Grotto



Making calendars by weaving coloured strips.



# News from the classes.



This week...  
6ED

Christmas maths



Visit from Santa



Christmas hats



Calendars



# News from the classes.

LEARNING

This week...  
6CP



- Mr. C Pearce will move to Year 4 in January 2022.
- Mrs. C Poxon will be the new Class Teacher; she has been co-teaching the class during the whole autumn term.
- Mrs. A Margerson will join as joint Classroom Teacher in January 2022 on Thursday's and Friday's.

Christmas maths



Christmas cards

Christmas hats



Visit from Santa





PERSONAL  
BEST



Achievements and success  
inside AND outside of school.



Children from KS2  
went to The  
Cresset on  
Saturday to sing  
at the opening of  
the Christmas  
Fayre. Thank you  
to Mrs Ould, Mrs  
Margerson and  
Miss Dakin for  
organising and to  
the other adults  
who came along  
to support!







# Den Club does Christmas



The children who attend Den club toasted marshmallows, heated Welsh cakes and even had hot chocolate!

Den club is  
by invite only

Mrs Day would like to thank Skyla Boldan (5AA) for this wonderful artwork.



Class Champions from last week  
EYFS and Lower School

Learning with our head, heart and hands

Abel  
3ET/SC

Dilanas  
2KB

Faith 3E  
T/SC

Klay  
Ladybirds

Freddy  
2SD

Nia  
Owls

Filip  
Butterflies

Holly  
Robins

Mathew  
3OW

Krists  
2KB

Aaliyah  
3OW

Angeliki  
Ladybirds

Miracle  
Butterflies

Lacey  
mim  
2SD

PERSONAL  
BEST



Swimming



**Esther  
(4NB) complete  
d level  
2 in swimming**

**Alvina 5AA**  
This a photo that was  
taken when I was  
cutting my hair to  
donate to the people  
who have cancer



Charity



PERSONAL  
BEST



Achievements and success  
inside AND outside of school.

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

Gymnastics



**Sara 4RT** took part in a  
gymnastics  
competition on 04/12  
and competed in 4  
disciplines: vault, bars,  
floor and beams. She  
did amazing, winning  
one silver medal, one  
bronze medal and 2  
rosettes



Our New to Reception 2022 video can be found on the school website.



[Middleton Primary School - New to Reception in 2022](#)

Middleton Primary would like to thank  
Bretton Baptist Church for their support  
during the last year.



At Bretton Baptist Church you'll be welcomed into a friendly,  
casual environment. We are an all-age local church made up  
of people from a wide spectrum of life.

**Birthdays this week and over the Festive period.**



- Amelia 10
- Theo 6
- Evie 6
- Keira 9
- Nikolasz 7
- Muhammad 7

- Mrs Howard
- Mrs Wells

- Thomas 8
- Oscar 8
- Craig 8
- Holly 5
- Noel 6

- Natalia Alicja 9
- Elizabeth 9
- Charlotte 9
- James 9
- Cyprian 10
- Lukas 10
- River 7

- Romeo-Lee 10
- Mason 7
- Orestas 9
- Olivia 6
- Dorian 6
- Alvina 10
- Sandra 11



**Happy Birthday from everyone at Middleton!**



# MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT SERVICES

For Young People

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Department for Digital, Culture Media & Sport

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**Centre 33**  
 Whatsapp: **07514 783745**  
 Call **0333 41410808**  
 help@centre33.org.uk  
 **13-25yrs**

**YPCS**  
 Call: **0800 634 4395**  
 Admin@ypcs.uk  
 Online Chat  
**11-18yrs**  
 Young Peoples Counselling Service

**ChildLine**  
 Chat boards,  
 1-2-1 Support,  
 Call: **0800 1111**  
 **Under 19yrs**

**ClearFear**  
 Anxiety Support App  
**11-19yrs**  
**Calm Harm**  
 Self Harm Support App  
**13yrs+**

**Young Minds**  
 Young People text: **YM to 85258**  
 Parents helpline: **08088025544**  
**14-25yrs**  


**Kooth**  
 Online Chat:  
 Mon – Fri: **12–10pm**  
 Sat & Sun: **6–10pm**  
**11-18yrs**  


**CALM**  
 Call **0800 58 58 58**  
 A helpline for people who need to talk or find support  
 **9am- midnight every day of the year**

**The Kite Trust**  
 LGBTQ+ Support  
**01223 369508**  
 info@thekitetrust.org.uk  
 **Under 25yrs**  
 Gender and sexuality Supporting young people

**Samaritans**  
 Call for Free **116 123**  
 Whatever you are going through, call anytime  
 

**The Mix**  
 Crisis Messenger:  
 text **THEMIX** to **85258**  
 Call **0808 8084 994**  
**Under 25yrs**  
 

**ChatHealth**  
**Cambs & Pboro**  
 Text **07480 635 443**  
**Ages 11-19**  


**Papyrus**  
 Suicide Hopeline  
**0800 068 4141**  
**Under 35yrs**  
 **9am- midnight every day of the year**

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Please see message from Katy who works for Barnardo's as a Community Engagement Officer. She is currently working on a project funded by local government to engage with local communities around the impact of Covid-19.

As a Community Engagement Officer, she can offer support and guidance around issues arising from Covid-19 and ensure that individuals understand the guidance around ensuring their safety and dispel the myths there are surrounding some aspects.

So that Katy can better understand the real impact of Covid-19 on local communities she has shared a survey for completion, please click the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=GR8bF2d1PE27mnSK0D8wGhTxOn4B2ZpLt9usU6H6LmdUN0Y0V0s1UIldDT1Y1VVdXMUdVT1k5WldGNS4u>

If you have any questions or require further support, please contact her:

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Have the most magical Christmas

Children, you are all AMAZING!

Best wishes

Mrs McGonigle, Mr Fry, Mrs Hudson, Mrs Taylor

