

MIDDLEMARCH SCHOOL

A WELCOME MESSAGE FROM MRS MAWDSLEY

Hello and welcome (or welcome back!) to Middlemarch school, where 'As A Family We Achieve'!

We have had an amazing first two weeks back, with lots of new and exciting things in place for our children.

We are now handing out 'Ready, Respectful, Safe' Values cards around school for children showing these values. Children will bring these home for you to see their reasons, as well as 5 Dojo points!

Friendly Reminders:

- Please ensure your child brings a filled water bottle every day.
- Please ensure your child's coat, cardigan/jumper are labelled with their name.
- If you have any questions, please message your child's class teacher on ClassDojo, speak to someone at the gate, come into reception or give us a ring. We are here to help. 😊

MORNING ARRIVAL AND ATTENDANCE

School opens with a free breakfast club from 8am.

School gates open from 8.30am-8.40am.

Children arriving between 8.40 and 9am will receive a late mark.

Children arriving after 9am will receive an unauthorised mark.

Any child receiving 10 or more late marks will be monitored by Warwickshire attendance.

Attendance 07.09.26-11.09.26:

Year 3: 92.2%

Year 4: 99.3%

Year 5: 87.3%

Year 6: 89.4%

OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING

We have, with your help, set up lots of exciting OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) opportunities for our children, including a sandpit with buckets and spades; scooters (which have been a big hit!); giant tyres and a dressing up box - we have especially enjoyed the Mickey Mouse giant head!

Next week, we are aiming to introduce large, loose parts, such as guttering, tarpauline and wood for den building!

We are asking for donations of:

- Guttering
- Pushchairs (both toy and real)
- Dolls
- Dressing up costumes
- Sand
- Buckets and Spades

Please put any donations in the bins near main gate, or bring them into reception.

Thank you!



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KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

Information from the NSPCC:

Top tips for talking to children about staying safe online

1. Start with the positives

Being online can be a great way for children to learn, be creative, and stay connected with friends and family. Recognising these benefits helps keep conversations balanced and encourages confident, safe use of technology.

2. Find the right time and place

Choose a calm moment to talk, such as during a walk, car journey, or shared activity. Avoid starting the conversation when emotions are high or during a disagreement.

3. Use child-facing resources and advice

Support your conversation with age-appropriate tools, videos, or guides. These can help children understand key messages and make the discussion more engaging and relevant to their stage of development.

4. Ask about their experiences

Use open questions like:

- 'Have you seen anything online that made you uncomfortable?'
- 'Who do you chat with online?'
- 'Are they people you know offline?'
- 'How do you feel when using certain apps or games?'

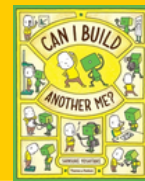
5. Make it part of everyday life

These chats don't need to be formal or one-off. Regular, relaxed conversations help children feel supported and more likely to speak up if something worries them.

READING SUGGESTIONS

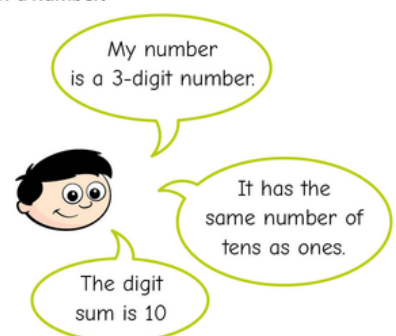
Year 3/4: Can I Build Another Me? By Shinsuke Yoshitake

Year 5/6: The Girl of Ink and Stars By Kiran Millwood Hargrave



MATHS CHALLENGE

Dexter is thinking of a number.



What could Dexter's number be?

Find each possibility and partition it.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

As well as our Sports clubs which you have already been informed about, we also have some other After School Clubs (3:10-4:15pm) led by our fabulous teachers.

Starting Tuesday 15th September-10th November -

Anime club

Starting Wednesday 16th September-11th November -

Pokemon Card Game club

Starting Thursday 17th September-12th November -

Lego club and Young Voices Rehearsals

Please book on School Money to secure your place.

