

Middleton Church of England Primary Academy

'Ready, Respectful, Safe.
Together being the best that we can be.'



Foreword: Mrs. Rachael Greenhalgh, Executive Headteacher

I am incredibly proud to be the Executive Headteacher of Middleton

Church of England Primary Academy. Since starting this role in October 2017, as a school we have grown together and have gone from strength to strength, federating with Gayton Church of England Primary Academy. We have a good leadership team and Early Years provision. Our pupils make strong progress in reading, writing and maths and we offer an excellent range of extra-curricular activities and events. We have a talented staff team, who are all dedicated to ensuring the very best for each and every one of our children.

Our Academy Vision

At Middleton our vision is centred on a commitment to excellence in learning and to high expectations. We aim to serve our community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice and promote Christian values through the experiences we offer to all our children

Igniting an interest in the world

Our teaching is stimulating and creative, encouraging our children to continue their education outside of school, and become lifelong learners. We want to ignite an interest in the world around them, and for that interest to lead to fulfilling and imaginative lives. Learning should be fun

Strong pastoral support

We take a pride in offering strong pastoral support in a safe learning environment where every child and adult is valued and encouraged to achieve their full potential. We aim to prepare every child for the challenge and changes of the future so they can achieve the highest standards in their personal development, building resilience and encouraging perseverance.

Family atmosphere

We are a small village school, with a strong family atmosphere.

Parent partnership

Middleton Academy also values the schoolhome partnership as essential in helping pupils achieve their best. We work very hard to involve you in every step of your child's time here...and increase your child's enjoyment of learning.

Come and look around!

I hope that our prospectus gives you an insight and understanding of our core values of ambition, responsibility, citizenship, creativity, empathy and faith. We would be delighted to welcome you to our school. Please call the school office on 01553 840234 or office@ middleton.norfolk.sch.uk to arrange a visit and see why our school is so special.



School day: settling in and our curriculum

School hours

Our school day starts at 8.45am and the school day ends at 3.15pm.

Breakfast Club

We have a Breakfast Club starting again in the Summer Term 2019. It will run from 8.00am - 8.45am daily. Further details and daily charges will be confirmed once they are available.

Uniform

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform. Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform gives the children a sense of belonging to the school community. The school uniform is kept as simple and practical as possible and the colours are white or red polo shirts with black or grey trousers or skirts and red cardigans and sweatshirts.

Where to buy

Uniform items can be bought from Tesco Direct and the website link is www.tesco.com/direct; then click on the link for Middleton Academy.

School meals and snacks

The school provides a wide range of healthy meals including a hot meal, jacket potatoe, school packed lunch or a vegetarian option. Meals are currently free for all children in Reception and Key Stage 1..

Curriculum enrichment

A number of excellent external practitioners work across the school delivering sessions such as Dance, Music, Yoga and Forest Schools.

Creative curriculum: foundations for success

Our children follow the National Curriculum, which is brought to life through a variety of creative activities, visits and more.

The curriculum is divided into three stages:

- 1. Early Years Foundation Stage: from ages 0-5
- 2. Key Stage 1: from ages 5-7
- 3. Key Stage 2: from ages 7-11

Challenging and inspiring children

We are committed to:

- Challenging and inspiring our children to develop their intellectual curiosity and skills to become confident, independent and resilient learners who are well prepared for life beyond primary school.
- Providing a rich learning experience that is based on our Christian values and promotes provision for children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural development for all.

Citizenship and behaviour

One of our key aims is to promote positive behaviours for learning using praise and focussing on the positive whenever possible. We view behaviour as being the responsibility for ALL; everyone is accountable and mutual respect and behaviour for Learning is essential. Thus, we especially value collaborative working with parents and carers to achieve this.

Music

Music is an important part of school life. We often find it easier to learn through songs, sounds and rhythms and music forms an integral part of our Curriculum. We embrace music in a variety of exciting ways.

Enriched curriculum: trips, outdoor learning, P.E and clubs

Trips

Groups are often taken on educational visits to complement their learning in school. Recent school visits have included:

- Duxford Imperial War Museum.
- Oxburgh Hall.
- Gressenhall.
- Kings Lynn.
- Annual Y5/Y6 Residential trip to Hilltop.

Sport, P.E. and Outdoor learning

We have excellent PE provision and children at Middleton Academy also take part in a varied range of sports through our clubs, intra-school and inter-school events. We strive to provide varied physical activities for children and we develop flexibility, control and balance through gymnastics, dance and yoga. The P.E. programme includes football, cricket, rugby, netball, hockey, tennis, games and more.

We are also proud of our Forest School which provides our pupils with great opportunities for exploring and fun outdoor learning.









Clubs

Extra Curricula clubs

The school offers an exciting range of lunchtime activities and after school clubs. Recent examples include.

- Football.
- Circus Skills.
- Tag Rugby.
- Street Dance.
- Archery.IT
- Lego.
- Arts.

An up to date list of after school clubs is available from the School Office and club booking forms are sent out every term. Clubs are open to all year groups.





Admissions...and getting involved

Admissions arrangements

By law children must start statutory education full time from the beginning of the term following their fifth birthday. At Middleton, children may start school in the September of the academic year in which they are five. Children are usually expected to attend full time from the beginning of their time in school, but the wishes of parents / carers are taken into consideration. All school admissions need to be made through Norfolk County Council. Admissions and in-year transfer requests can be made online or by contacting the Norfolk County Council School Admissions team.

Application process

- The closing date for September applications is in mid January of that year.
- You will be notified of your child's placement by the following April.

Contact details for the Norfolk County Council Pupil Admissions Team

- Norfolk County Council, Admissions Section (First Admissions), FREEPOST, IH2076, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2BR.
- Tel: 0344 800 8020
- Email: to admissions@norfolk.gov.uk
- Web: www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-andlearning

Getting involved

Voluntary helpers

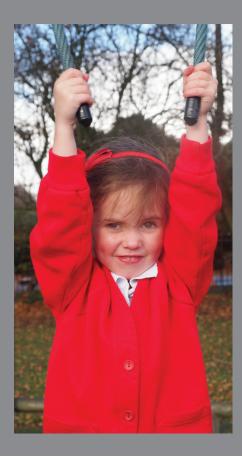
We always welcome volunteers from our school and wider community to help with activities such as school visits, or supporting children in class etc. If you are interested in volunteering at the school, please speak to your child's Class Teacher or the School Office for more information.

Friends of Middleton Academy Association

The Friends of Middleton Academy Association organise exciting school events to raise money for 'extra' things in school. If you are interested in learning more about us or have any suggestions, please contact the School Office. Information of planned events and fundraising can also be found in our school newsletters and on the Newsletter page of our school website.

Governorship

Following our recent federation with Gayton CE Primary Academy we have a joint governing body. As a school we are always keen to welcome new members. Please get in touch if you would like to help support the school to ensure the very best outcomes for our children.









What do you like about the school?

Cory:

"Maths is fun dividing by four."

Gracie:

"Measuring plants for maths, everyone has a go to see how tall they are."

Holly:

"We learn new things for WW1. We went on a trip, there was a shell, it was fired and had a metal outside."

Finn:

"Making clay bowls with patterns on."

Gracie:

"Making stone age houses. We collected bits from outside and stuck them on."

Kian:

"Playing Tag Rugby and Hockey with the PE Teacher, and football at lunchtime."

Ethan:

"Having 'free choice' at lunchtimes. And using laptops... and painting!"

Chanelle:

"I like pretend writing as if we are the story characters like Moon Man."

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