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School Diary for the Week Beginning: 10th November 2025

Monday

Hedgehogs PE Dance Club

Tuesday

Remembrance Service Squirrels & Badgers PE Ethos Club

Wednesday

Wellie Wednesday Drama Club

Thursday

Y3-5 Wider Op Music Spelling Bee Club Computer Club

Whole School - PE

Y1-6 Music with Mrs Henry

Multi-Skills Club Choir

Friday



'Let Your Light Shine'

Matthew 5:16



Welcome Back Everyone!

Welcome back everyone to what is always one of our busiest but most exciting half terms as we begin the countdown to Christmas. While it can be physically demanding, this term is one of our favourites. The energy and anticipation build both in school and at home, and it's a joy to see the children so engaged and enthusiastic.

Our new study themes have launched with great excitement. Badgers Class kicked things off with a fascinating trip to Shrewsbury Prison, returning full of stories and insights about everything they had learned. You can find more details about the children's learning journeys on the school website under the class pages.

Children will also have brought home their home learning books today. These include an overview of their study theme, suggested home learning projects, and weekly spellings to practice. Please do take a moment to look through these with your child.

Remembrance ServiceTuesday 11th November

Next week, we will gather as a school community to mark Remembrance Day - an important time for reflection, gratitude, and honouring those who have served. Our service will take place at St Leonard's Church, and families are warmly invited to join us.

We will leave school at 10:30am and begin the service once we have settled. If you are planning to attend, we kindly ask that you walk down with us rather than meeting us at the church. We rely on your support to ensure we have enough adults to walk safely with the children. Without sufficient help, we may need to relocate the service to the village hall - which would be a real shame.

This service is always a moving and meaningful moment in our school year, and we hope many of you will be able to join us.

Governor Visit: Safeguarding and Pupil Voice in Action

As part of their important role, our governors regularly visit school to monitor key areas and ensure our children are thriving in a safe, supportive environment. This week, our Chair of Governors, Mr. Malcolm Gate, spent time with children in KS2 - Badgers and Squirrels classes - focusing on safeguarding, pupil behaviour, and attitudes.

• Following Up on Previous Feedback

During Mr. Gate's last visit, children raised concerns about breaktime supervision and safety during PE. They felt some areas weren't being monitored closely enough, and that children were entering spaces they shouldn't. Thanks to our swift action, the children now report that these issues have been resolved. One child proudly shared, "Even bulldog games are now much safer!" This is a brilliant example of how pupil voice leads to real change. Staff listened, responded, and made improvements that children have clearly noticed.

Q Focus of This Visit: Safety, Behaviour & Risk Awareness

Mr. Gate spoke with ten pupils across Years 3-6, and their insights were both thoughtful and emotionally intelligent.

Year 5/6 Highlights:

- All pupils said they feel safe in school. "There are staff and rules all around us so we would find it hard not to know what to do."
- Children described strong peer relationships: "We are all friendly with each other and they would tell me if I was doing something wrong."
- Assemblies and visits from the police help reinforce safety messages, especially around online behaviour.
- Pupils were confident in knowing who to talk to if something worried them: "If my teacher couldn't sort it, Mrs. Appleby would."

Online safety was clearly understood. Children spoke about secure passwords, responsible ICT use, and knowing to report anything unusual. One child explained, "Mr. Savage tells us not to do certain things online," while another described their habit of "deleting information as I go along."

When asked about bullying, children shared occasional incidents of unkindness but showed maturity in understanding the difference. One pupil reflected, "I think it was jealousy."

Outside school, children showed impressive awareness of road safety and stranger danger. "Even though I'm a polite boy and it's hard to say no, I would do it," said one child when asked how they'd respond to a stranger.

Year 3/4 Highlights:

Younger pupils also spoke openly and sensitively about safety. While they generally feel secure in school, they raised concerns about rough play and teasing. One child said, "I understand play-fighting, but when x comes, he has five friends with him." Another mentioned losing their kindness badge during a game

Children showed strong emotional awareness, describing behaviour as "annoying" rather than malicious. They also discussed some teasing, and a habit called "roasting," which they understood and could explain.

I have spoken to the children about the issues raised so hopefully this will stop. The staff in school are also aware of what the children have said, and will be keeping a close eye on the situation.

Online safety was a hot topic. Pupils were wary of fake news, AI-generated content, and inappropriate searches. One child said, "I'm scared someone is going to hack my Roblox account," while another worried about their parents using Facebook. All children knew to tell an adult if something went wrong online.

Bullying was rarely reported. "I've been at school for five years and I've witnessed only two cases. The teachers sorted it," said one pupil. Children were confident that staff and their parents would respond appropriately if needed.

* What Stood Out?

Across both groups, children showed a deep sense of responsibility for their peers. They were emotionally tuned in, protective of younger siblings, and keen to ensure everyone feels safe. Their understanding of safeguarding - both in and out of school -was impressive.

This visit reaffirmed the exceptional relationships and culture of care that define our school. We're proud of how our pupils speak up, look out for one another, and help shape a safer, kinder environment for all.

Children are not just our future—they are our present.

When we listen to them, we build a safer, kinder world today.



🐧 Sal's Shoes – Self-Referral Now Available

We're pleased to share that Sal's Shoes at St Paul's Centre in Crewe now offers a self-referral service for families in need of children's footwear—no paperwork required, making access easier than ever.

Sal's Shoes provides up to four pairs of free shoes per child each year, helping local families ensure their children have comfortable, well-fitting footwear.

This initiative is part of a global charity working in 57 countries, and we're proud to see its impact here in our community.

If you or someone you know could benefit, you can self-refer by completing the form at:



www.stpaulscentre.org.uk/sals-shoes

Please don't hesitate to reach out or share this with others who may find it helpful.

Living Out Christian Values: Worship at the Heart of School Life

Our children are developing a secure and thoughtful understanding of our core Christian values - such as kindness, respect, forgiveness, and courage - and are learning how to model these in their daily lives. We encourage them to "let their lights shine," just as Jesus did, by showing love and compassion to others and making wise, caring choices.

This year, our worship will take us on a journey through the Bible to explore God's Story - from the Old Testament to the New. Through stories, reflection, and discussion, the children will discover how this powerful narrative of love, hope, and redemption connects to Christian faith and everyday life.

The Bible is not just a book to be read — it's a story to be lived.

Each week, our worship follows a rhythm that deepens understanding and encourages personal reflection:

- **Monday**: Whole school worship introduces the week's Bible story and theme.
- **Tuesday**: Class worship allows children to reflect more deeply, discussing a key question that helps them explore faith in a way that's personal and meaningful.
- **Wednesday**: Continuation of the theme to deepen the children's understanding.
- **Thursday**: We use Picture News to connect current affairs with British Values and Christian Values, helping children understand the world around them and how their beliefs can guide their responses to real-life issues.
- **Friday**: Our Celebration Worship

We look forward to seeing how this journey continues to nurture our pupils' empathy, wisdom, and spiritual growth throughout the year. Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us for whole school worship:

- Monday and Wednesday at 2:40pm
- Friday morning at the start of the day

📰 Dates, Events & A Busy Half Term Ahead

Just a quick reminder that all key dates for the year can be found at the end of this newsletter. At the start of each academic year, we do our best to map everything out for you in advance—and we try our utmost not to change dates unless absolutely necessary.

We've added a new date to your calendar: World Book Day will be celebrated on Friday 6th March 2026. We're already looking forward to the creativity and excitement this day always brings! This year we will be asking the children to dress up as traditional book or nursery rhyme characters.

Mrs Allen is currently working with our Ethos Council to decide which charity we'll be supporting this year. More information will follow in next week's newsletter.

This half term is always incredibly busy, with lots of events that families are invited to. Please know that while we love seeing you at these events, there is absolutely no pressure to attend everything. I sometimes feel that my name must be mud with your employer! Yes, it's wonderful to have so many of you join us - but please don't feel bad if you're unable to make it. We understand.

Next week, I'll be putting together our annual **'Countdown to Christmas'** flyer - perfect for your fridge door - to help you keep track of all the festive fun ahead. Let the sparkle begin!

Let Your Light Shine - Ours Stars this Week:

Otters (Reception) ~ Harry for the joy he has shown in his drawings this week.

Hedgehogs (Y1) ~ Milania for the service she has shown to her work this week.

Hedgehogs (Y2) ~ Aria for using her courage and strength whilst in school this week.

Squirrels (Y3) ~ Ted for his service to his science lessons, giving predictions for our ice experiments.

Squirrels (Y4) ~ Rupert for his perseverance with creating snowflakes of varying size and design.

Badgers (Y5) \sim Ellie for the perseverance and kindness she has shown this week in all aspects of her learning.

Badgers (Y6) ~ Oscar B for the courage he showed at Shrewsbury Prison.

PE Award (KS1) ~ Teddy for the joy and service to his PE lesson showing great throwing skills.

PE Award (KS2) ~ Freddy for his service and friendship when working as a team.

Mrs Appleby's Principal Award ~ To the children who spoke to Mr Gate on Wednesday, for the service you showed to our school community.

House Points

House	Birch	0ak	Sycamore	Willow
This Week	403	419	388	449
Top of the House	Ellis and Joshua	Alfie	Everly	Arthur and
				Rupert
This Year	1810	1677	1621	1670



This week our Ethos Council have chosen Monty for making sure everyone gets included



Over the course of the year, we will journey through the Bible to help us understand God's Story -both Old and New Testament -and how it connects to Christian faith and everyday life.

Next week's Bible verses:

Abraham Family ~ Genesis 16-21

Jacob and Esau ~ Genesis 27

Let Your Light Shine - Out of School Achievements



Well done Milo, Sebastian, Roslyn, Harper and Amelia.





Autumn 2025

11th November Remembrance Service @ 10:30am
21st November PTA Lights Disco
28th November Own Clothes - Chocolate for the Christmas Fair
28th November - Flu immunisations
1st December Messy church (morning)
1st December Christingle Service @ 1:30pm
1st December PTA Film Night
5th December Whole School Theatre Trip
12th December Own Clothes - Bottles for the Christmas Fair
12th December MCP Y5/6 Dodgeball after school @Middlewich High School
16th December Christmas Nativity Service @ 1:30pm
17th December Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day £1 donation
17th December PTA Christmas Fair

Spring 2026

13th January – 24th March Year 4-6 Swimming at Sandbach Leisure Centre
5th February MCP Indoor Hockey Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich High School
10th February Parents Evening
11th February Parents Evening
13th February PTA Own Clothes £1
3rd to 4th March Hedgehogs Residential
4th March CDAT Tag Rugby Y3/4 @Brereton CE Primary 9.15-12.15pm

6th March - World Book Day

12th March MCP Netball Y3/4 after school @ Middlewich High School 18th March Own Clothes – Easter Eggs for the PTA Bingo 19th March MCP Netball Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich High School 20th March PTA Music Bingo 27th March Easter Service @ 10am

Summer 2026

15th to 17th April Squirrels and Badgers Residential 2nd May Warmingham Wakes 7th May MCP Football Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich High School 20th May CDAT Y5/6 Hockey @ Brereton CE Primary 9.15-12.15pm 21st May MHS Football Y3/4 after school @ Middlewich High School 22nd May PTA Own Clothes £1 11th June MCP Rounders Y5/6 after school @ Middlewich Primary 15th June CDAY Y3/4 Hockey @ Brereton CE Primary 9.15-12.15pm 18th June Sports Day 24th June MCP Town Sports Y3-6 after school @ Middlewich Primary 25th June Reserve Sports Day 26th June PTA Family Quiz 10th July Children's end of Year Reports 15th July Break the Rules Day 15th July Y6 Prom (Y5 welcome) 17th July Celebration Service @ 10am

TERM Dates & INSET Days

New dates or changes to previously advertised dates are shown in bold