

# Welcome to Middlethorpe Primary Academy



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# Our School







#### Welcome from the Principal

At Middlethorpe, we pride ourselves on creating a warm and friendly learning environment in which everyone feels part of a large family - 'Together we learn to shine.' Learning is at the heart of everything we do and through a varied and rich curriculum, our children leave our academy with aspirational outcomes and the skills that enable them to be lifelong learners.

Our three drivers of **Kindness**, **Responsibility** and

**Pride** underpin every choice we make and challenge everyone to become the best that they can be.



Mrs Atkin - Executive Principal





#### **Our School Drivers**

Our Middlethorpe drivers are what we believe to be important values for our children. They are the values we hold as 'Together we Learn to Shine!'

#### **Kindness**

We are friendly and approachable We perform random acts of kindness We think about how we say things

We share with everyone
We are a good friend
We have good manners
We are a good partner
We listen to others
We are respectful
We have empathy

We help others

We are patient

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To get it you must give it.

#### Pride

We are proud of our achievements
We are proud of the achievements of others
We have high expectations and aspirations
for ourselves and others
We are proud to attend our school
We wear our Uniform with pride
We look after our environment
We look after our equipment
We create beautiful work

We can be anything and everything we want to be

#### Responsibility

We make sure we are in the right place at the right time, doing the right thing.
We make sure we self-regulate our behaviour. We make sure we have the right equipment. We complete the tasks that are asked of us. We manage our distractions when we are learning.
We own our mistakes.
We are ready to learn.

We are honest

The price of greatness is responsibility









# Meet the Team



Mrs Colgan EY Lead



Miss Norton Keyworker



Miss Templeman Keyworker



Mrs Dick Keyworker



Mrs Roe Keyworker









### **Funding**

All children age 3-4 are entitled to 15 hours free Nursery care. However, some working families are eligible to 30 hours funded places which we offer at Middlethorpe Academy.

Find out if you are eligible at: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

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Enquire now about our 30 hour funded places for 3 and 4 year olds...

> Tel: 01472 698185







### Learning Through Play

Play is often viewed as a simple pastime for children, but its significance in early childhood education is profound. Play-based learning fosters essential cognitive, social, and emotional development in young learners.

Play-based learning is an educational approach that uses play as the primary mode of learning. Children engage in structured and unstructured play to explore concepts, solve problems, and develop skills. This method is rooted in the understanding that children learn best when they are actively involved and having fun.



Our highly skilled team provide a learning environment that enables children to explore, create, experiment and play!

Our resources, equipment and activities are all set up in a way that meets the developmental needs of each child. Our staff will regularly play with the children because it is our skilled questioning and support that helps them to progress. Throughout each day the children will play independently, in groups, with an adult, at a table, on the floor, writing in a book, writing in the mud! We encourage all of our parents to play with their children at home too. You will be amazed at what children are capable of when we meet them at their level.







#### WHAT WILL MY CHILD LEARN IN EARLY YEARS?

THERE ARE 7 AREAS OF LEARNING IN THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE FRAMEWORK



COMMUNICATION &
LANGUAGE
LISTENING, ATTENTION
AND UNDERSTANDING,
AND SPEAKING



PHYSICAL
DEVELOPMENT
GROSS AND FINE MOTOR



MATHEMATICAL
DEVELOPMENT
NUMBER AND
NUMERICAL PATTERNS



EXPRESSIVE ARTS
AND DESIGN
CREATING WITH
MATERIALS AND BEING
IMAGINATIVE AND
EXPRESSIVE



PERSONAL, SOCIAL
AND EMOTIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
MANAGING SELF, SELFREGULATION AND
BUILDING
RELATIONSHIPS



UNDERSTANDING THE
WORLD
PAST AND PRESENT,
PEOPLE, CULTURES AND
COMMUNITIES, AND THE
NATURAL WORLD









#### **Indoor Environment**











## **Outdoor Environment**













## School Uniform





Although uniform is not compulsory in Nursery, uniform is always a preferred option. As we learn through play, this at times can become a little messy and therefore providing a uniform helps to protect their own clothes.

Our recommendation is that children wear a white polo t-shirt with either a navy cardigan or jumper with some black bottoms or leggings.

Black trainers or shoes with a velcro fastening are also ideal.



We also ask that a pair of welly boots and an all in one waterproof is provided to be kept at Nursery as we do go out in all weathers!







# When Will My Child Start?

Middlethorpe Academy offer places for 2, 3 and 4 year olds.

2 year old's can start the term after their 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

3 year old's can start Nursery the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday.



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#### What Can I do to Prepare?

## **Encourage Independence**

- Encourage your child to put on their own shoes and coat.
- Encourage your child to go the toilet independently.

It may also help if you encourage your child to grown up for help by need it.

## Develop Communication

- Develop conversation skills by asking simple questions.
  - Encourage your child to speak in full sentences.
- Allow time for your child to respond and give opportunities where they need to listen.



# Talk about starting Nursery

- Talk to your child about starting Nursery
- Talk to them about the fun things they will be able to do!
- Read 'starting nursery' story books with your child.
- Talk to them about what they liked about our Nursery after your visit!



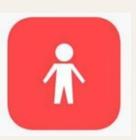




#### Keeping in touch



We use a free app called Class Dojo which you can download on your smart phone.
Through this app we share your child's learning, letters and updates. You can also message the staff on here too.



The My Child at
School free app is
where lots of
school information
is shared such as
attendance,
payments, trips,
clubs, school
dinners and school
reports.



We post photos regularly on our school Instagram account INSERT LINK. Follow us to see the learning that happens at our school.