

Newsletter

Welcome to the first issue of the Middleton Cluster Extended Services Newsletter!

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A Secondary SchoolChildren's Centre
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Extended Schools
and Services






Who we are? – An introduction to the Middleton Extended Services Cluster

The Middleton Cluster is a group of five schools and one children's centre who have chosen to work together to promote positive outcomes for children, young people, families and the local community.

The 5 schools in the cluster are Middleton Primary, Middleton St Mary's C of E Primary, St Philip's Roman Catholic Primary and Nursery School, Westwood Primary and Cockburn College of Arts (a Secondary School). The children's centre is Middleton Children's Centre which is based over 4 sites - Laurel Bank (under 3's), Middleton Primary School site (over 3's), the Play and Learning Site, and South Leeds Family Childcare. Middleton also has a Sure Start Family Centre. The cluster works closely with the faith sector, voluntary sector, youth service, social care, local councillors, Middleton Regeneration Board, Aire Valley Homes, PCT and the Police.

Anne-Marie Holdsworth – Cluster Chair

The Extended Services Core Offer

-  **Childcare** Access to childcare via before and after school (8am – 6pm) either on schools sites or signposted to a suitable provider.
-  **A Varied Menu of activities** A range of after school and holiday activities for children and young people.
-  **Parenting support** Support for parents and carers in the local area including parenting groups and family learning sessions.
-  **Swift and easy access** to specialist support services, including health, social care, housing, education services.
-  **Community Access** To open up school facilities to the wider community e.g. sport, IT adult learning etc.

The Middleton Cluster Team

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All cluster activities are advertised on each of the schools and Children Centre's notice boards. Parental request forms for the activities can be collected from any of the primary schools main office/reception or via Joanne Hainsworth or Lorraine Offord on our contact numbers. For any information or to make suggestions on future Extended Services activities please do not hesitate to contact us.

We always look forward to hearing from you!

Current After School Activities Include

Musical Movement
at
St. Philip's



Come Dancing
Learn to Ballroom Dance
at
Westwood Primary School
Starting
Tuesday 15th September





What's on in your area?

Over the Summer holiday the cluster organised activities to keep the children happy and occupied. These were in partnership with Health For All, Leeds United Football in the Community, Middleton Sports Centre and other providers. The activities included arts, Junior Jam multi sports, football and dance camps. Local voluntary agency Health for All were commissioned to organise a range of family events including fun days in Middleton woods, day trips to Bolton Abbey and Scarborough, along with a trip to London to see Billy Elliott. Other Activities included kayaking, DJ-ing, bowling, media and journalism and lots of physical activities and sports.

Due to the successful parent and child evaluations from the family trips in the Summer the cluster organised October half-term trips to Eureka and also took 150 children, parents and carers to Chester Zoo. NACRO also took a group of young people to burn off some energy at "Go Ape"; everyone had a fabulous time! Back in Middleton, St Mary's hosted a 'Leeds United', Football in the Community, 3 day camp. While Middleton Primary hosted 'Junior Jam', 3 day camp; this included activities packed with dance, sports, music making and DJ-ing. A great time was had by all!

And for the Christmas break - look out for our Christmas Craft workshops - dates and times will be advertised through the cluster schools and notice boards. We look forward to seeing you in the future at one of our activities.

Jeanne Hainsworth

Middleton Cluster Manager



Dates to remember - up and coming events for Christmas

St Philips RC Church Christmas Fair Saturday 28 th November 1pm – 3pm	St Mary's CoE Parochial Hall, Lingwells Christmas Bazaar Saturday 28 th November 2.30pm	Westwood Primary School Christmas Fair Friday 4 th December 3.30pm – 5.30pm	Middleton Primary School Christmas Community Fair Thursday 10 th December 3.30pm -7.30pm
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Weekly activities in the Middleton Community

Monday	Citizens Advice Bureau (alternative Mondays) Middleton Family Centre By Appointment only 0113 2816703		Women's Group Support for Women with everyday issues Middleton Family Centre 10am – 11.30 am		Breakfast Club Middleton Community Centre 9am-11am Open to anyone within the community. Join us for breakfast. Bring the family. Full grilled breakfast, toast, fresh juice, tea and coffee. Sandwiches to take away.	
Tuesday	Messy Time (0-5) 10am-11.30am Middleton Community Centre Fun, messy activities for the little ones	Baby Café Middleton Family Centre Breastfeeding support/advice 10am-12mid-day	Textiles ,Arts and Crafts for all ages Crèche available Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 1pm – 2.30pm	Play and Stay Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 1.30 pm –3pm	Developmental Health By Appointment Only Reviews @ 8-10mths and 2yrs Middleton under 3s, Laurel Bank Site	
Tuesday	Middleton Primary School Middleton Park Avenue LS10 4HU		Gosia Denham holds a parents coffee morning from 9 am – 10.30am for parents with young children			
			Tea Time Club- come along for a family wholesome meal 3.15pm-4pm 60p Child £1.20 Adult			
Wednesday	Middleton Primary School Middleton Park Avenue LS10 4HU		Parents Breakfast Club – Community Room 9am – 10.30am Come along for a sausage and bacon sandwich with coffee or tea for £1 All welcome			
Wednesday	Wednesday Drop In Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 9.30am- 11am	Bumps and Babies Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 1pm – 2.30pm	Tea Time Club Middleton Community Centre 3pm-5pm	Men's Anger Management Middleton Family Centre 6pm – 8pm		
Thursday	Adult Aerobics (term time only) Crèche Provided Middleton Leisure Centre 1.30pm-2.30pm	Counselling Service (By Appointment Only) You can self refer or be referred; Julie Taylor is on hand to listen, in relaxed comfortable surroundings. A personal, confidential, listening service for families with children under 5 Middleton Family Centre				
Friday	Toy Library & Book Lending Library Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 9.30am-11.30am	Friday Play and Stay Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 9.30am-11am	Women's Anger Management Middleton family Centre 9.30am-11.30am	Toy Library & Book Lending Library Play and Learning Site Throstle Lane, Middleton 1pm – 3pm		