



MAP Update

8th May 2019

The MAP Annual Review 2017/18 is available [here](#)

Upcoming MAP Events

MAP PSA Network Event, The Fenton Suite, Riverside Stadium – Tuesday 21st May 2019

The next PSA Network Event is taking place from 1.00 – 3.00 pm on Tuesday 21st May 2019 at The Fenton Suite, Riverside Stadium. Refreshments will be available from 12.30 pm with additional networking time until 3.30 pm. Please confirm attendance to claire_riskier@middlesbrough.gov.uk

PSA Drug and Alcohol Awareness & Have A Word Training, The Fenton Suite, Riverside Stadium – Tuesday 18th June 2019

MAP have arranged a Drug and Alcohol Awareness & Have a Word training session for PSA's in Middlesbrough Schools. The session will take place from 1.00 – 5.00 pm on Tuesday 18th June 2019 in The Fenton Suite, Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough. **Please note that priority for this training will be members of MAP's PSA Network.** To book a place please contact claire_riskier@middlesbrough.gov.uk

Upcoming Other Events

Expotees Perform, The Crypt, Middlesbrough Town Hall – Thursday 16th May 2019

Teesside University are offering FREE tickets to their Expotees showcase of dance and theatre on Thursday 16th May 2019 in The Crypt and Middlesbrough Town Hall. Details of the performance times and how to obtain your free tickets can be found [here](#)

Carers Conference 2019, Middlesbrough Football Club – Monday 20th May 2019

Carers are invited to this conference to receive information about what help and support is available for them and to help the Tees, Esk and Wear Valley Trust plan for the next three years of carers development. Further details are available [here](#) and to book a place email tewv.ftmembership@nhs.net

Raising Aspirations for Young People in Care Conference 2019, Teesside University – Wednesday 22nd May 2019

Teesside University are hosting their seventh Raising Aspirations for Young People in Care Conference on Wednesday 22nd May 2019. The event is free and further information and booking details can be found [here](#)

Tees Valley Skills & STEM Event 2019, Teesside University – Tuesday 2nd July 2019

The annual Tees Valley Skills & STEM Event is back and is being held at Teesside University from 9.00am to 3.30 pm on Tuesday 2nd July 2019. Places go fast and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Further information on how to register can be found [here](#)

VR/AR Showcase, North Ormesby Primary Academy – Tuesday 2nd July 2019

Join North Ormesby Primary Academy to see how they use virtual and augmented reality to allow their children to explore the impossible! You'll have the opportunity to try VR/AR for yourself, speak to leaders of the school about implementation and speak to children about their experiences. For booking information click [here](#)

Schools North East's: [May Events Update](#)

Partner Updates

EMPOWER Middlesbrough

EMPOWER Middlesbrough is Middlesbrough Council's new social regeneration strategy – empowering the people of Middlesbrough to get involved in their local community and take advantage of opportunities that the spirit of our people and our physical regeneration creates.

Middlesbrough Council want lots of community-led initiatives that make a difference on the ground and to enable this a Community Action Fund has been launched for individuals and community groups to access up to £5,000 to support great ideas and initiatives.

For more information, please visit www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/empower and follow on social media: Facebook and Instagram: [empowermiddlesbrough](#) and on Twitter: [@emiddlesbrough](#)



SEND Parents / Carers Drop In Sessions

Parents and carers invited along to the SEND Drop in sessions which have been arranged at various venues across Middlesbrough throughout May and June 2019, where members of the SEND Assessment Team will be on hand to answer questions and discuss concerns. Details of dates and venues can be found [here](#).

Dementia Action Week 2019 Competition for Schools

Students from Middlesbrough schools are invited to get involved and help the NHS to celebrate Dementia Action Week by designing and producing a triangle of bunting which will collectively make up a string of bunting for each class in school. All schools who participate will be invited to join the Dementia Action Week Vintage Fair which is taking place in Middlesbrough Town Hall on Tuesday 21st May 2019 and winners will be awarded a small prize during the event. Further details can be found [here](#)

- MVDA Outlook Ebulletin: [3 May 2019](#)
- [Latest EEF evaluation reports, incl +3 months' learning boost from programme to improve pupils' working memory](#)
- JRF weekly round-up: [Country drifting in the wrong direction when it comes to solving poverty](#)
- NHS Northern England: [Free trees for schools and communities](#)

- Schools North East Weekly Update: [Pat Sowa tells Healthy MindED conference to 'model kindness'](#)
- Find a Funder Fortnightly: [7th May 2019](#)
- The Prince's Trust: [Get into Retail with TK Maxx Programme](#)
- [Updates and opportunities at Inspire2Learn](#)
- Local Jobs and Training Opportunities:
 - Middlesbrough Environment City currently have the following vacancies:
 - [Ageing Better Affordable Warmth Advisor](#)
 - [Warm Homes Engagement Officer](#)
 - MVDA: [Insight and Analytics Officer \(You've Got This Programme\)](#)
 - MFC Foundation: Current vacancies with MFC Foundation can be found [here](#)

Support

Role of the School Family Practitioner

The Family Partnership Team have recently employed 4 School Family Practitioners based at the West Middlesbrough Children's Centre. Further details on the role of the School Family Practitioners is available [here](#). Details of who will be leading on each school within your Cluster is available [here](#).

Middlesbrough Local Offer

Useful information for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their families is available [here](#).

Emergency Provision in Middlesbrough

Details of emergency provision support which is available to families in Middlesbrough is available [here](#)

Welfare Benefit Advice

Free and confidential help and advice is available via the Community Hub advice service. Details of weekly venues and timings are attached [here](#)

Middlesbrough Free Food List

A timetable of dates, times and venues where free food is available across Middlesbrough is available [here](#)

It's Your Right to Claim, benefits check sessions

An opportunity for local residents to ensure they are in receipt of the right benefits. For dates and times of sessions [here](#)

Council Tax Reduction Claim Form

Middlesbrough residents who are in receipt of universal credit or housing benefit and haven't claimed council tax reduction, the customer can complete a claim form which can be found [here](#)

Debt Advice in Middlesbrough

Initial telephone debt advice is now available by calling Middlesbrough Citizens Advice directly on 01642 802282. Alternatively, the office can be visited Monday to Friday, and opening times and session details can be found [here](#)

Emergency Duty Team

New contact numbers for the emergency duty team are available [here](#)

LINX Youth Clubs

LINX deliver weekly youth clubs across the Middlesbrough area and details can be found [here](#) of dates, times and venues.

DWP: Care to Learn Scheme

The DWP have a 'Care to Learn' scheme which can help with childcare costs while students under the age of 20 undertake study. Further details are available [here](#)

Changes to The Homeless Reduction Act

Information which could help parents who are homeless or might lose their homes can be found [here](#)

Work It Out

Work it out is an eight day course designed to equip local residents with improved IT skills to help them navigate Universal Credit and be better prepared to enter the world of work. The course runs Tuesday to Friday for 2 weeks at The Resource Centre, Meath Street, Middlesbrough, with refreshments and a lunchtime sandwich being provided. Further details and how to book are available [here](#)

Early Help Forums

Early Help Forums are now being held on a fortnightly basis, and have been rated by OFSTED as good practice. You can request to bring a case to the Early Help Forum by contacting the Family Partnership Team. Further details can be found [here](#)

Middlesbrough Recovering Together Weekly Drop in Sessions

Middlesbrough Recovering Together offer free and confidential drug and alcohol weekly drop in sessions. For further details please click [here](#)

My Family Plan

The latest My Family Plan working document is attached [here](#) for your information

Job Club

Free drop-in sessions are available for help with creating / updating CV's, creating a 'Find a Job' Account, carrying out job searches and completing application forms. Click [here](#) for details of weekly sessions

Tees Valley Routes to Work

Information leaflet, eligibility criteria and a referral form are available [here](#)

Solihull On-Line Parenting Course

Free Solihull online courses are available for Middlesbrough residents. Further details are available [here](#). Some sample text messages have also been written which can be sent to parents / grandparents / carers for young people in your schools and they are available [here](#)

Children in Need Emergency Essentials Programme

Paul McAfee from Family Fund Business Services recently gave a presentation to the Financial Inclusion Group and has agreed to come along to one of MAP's future PSA Network meetings. A copy of Paul's presentation is available [here](#), along with a leaflet [here](#) with details of help that is available via the

programme. Paul would be happy to speak to any of you who have queries on what help is available for your families and his contact details are on his presentation.

Loan Smart Website

A new website has launched to help consumers avoid illegal money lenders and check their lender is FCA authorised. Further details can be found [here](#)

Period Poverty – Red Box Project

Middlesbrough Council is working in partnership with the Red Box programme to address period poverty within our town, and ensure that no girl has to miss school, college or work because of her period. Further details on the scheme and how you can start receiving red box donations for your pupils to access, can be found [here](#)

Council Tax Discounts

Could you or someone you know be paying too much Council Tax? Middlesbrough Council is raising awareness of the availability of Council Tax discounts for residents who suffer from dementia, severe memory loss, a learning disability or a chronic mental illness. Did you know that if one adult in a household has one of the above conditions, they could be medically certified as being 'severely mentally impaired' for Council Tax purposes and their bills could reduce by 25% or even 100% for people who live alone? Further information is available via Middlesbrough.gov.uk/CTdiscounts. Attached here is a copy of a [leaflet](#) and [poster](#) which can be displayed in your school. If you would like hard copies of the leaflet please contact Martin Barker on 01642 726252 or by email at Martin_Barker@middlesbrough.gov.uk



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If you would like to share any events, information, good news stories or good practice please forward to Claire_Riskier@middlesbrough.gov.uk for addition to the website and updates.

If you no longer wish to receive this weekly update, please let MAP know by emailing map@middlesbrough.gov.uk

If you would like to be involved with the work MAP are doing, please contact us at map@middlesbrough.gov.uk

Can you please share this update with your full staff team on a regular basis