

# Middleton Youth Band

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## Middleton Youth Band Quarterly Newsletter 7th October 2011

### Welcome to Middleton Youth Bands first ever newsletter.

A few challenges for everyone first:

- We need a name for our newsletter?
- We would like some feed back as to how often you would like a newsletter?

### What we are up to?

Behind the scenes the Youth Band Committee have been beavering away the past few weeks and putting together a constitution and updating our policies to make sure we offer the correct banding environment. Over the next couple of weeks we will be finalising these and publishing them on our website - [www.middletonband.com](http://www.middletonband.com)

After Christmas we want to put a Youth Band Council together. The reason for having a council of youth representatives from the band is simple, your thoughts and views of how your band is run/organised/works are extremely important now, and in the long term, you are the future of both our organisation and the brass band movement itself. We want to do all we can to encourage you to have an

input into the Youth Band. So if you would like to be involved we are looking to get 5 to 7 volunteers to start this up after christmas with a Monthly meeting on the 1st Monday of every month before rehearsal.

### Recruitment Drive

During 2012 we would very much like to recruit some new band members under 18. We are looking for players of any standard as well as new beginners to join the Training and Youth Bands. If you have friends at school or in your local area who play instruments, please give them a copy of the Middleton Youth Band Leaflet. If you can think of anywhere to display the leaflet/posters, such as schools, shops, libraries etc, please do so. The survival and continued success of the band depends on a constant intake of new players each year. We have plenty of instruments available for band members to borrow free of charge.

### Rehearsal Times

Don't forget rehearsal times are:

- Training Band - 6.30pm - 7.15pm
- Youth Band - 6.45pm - 8.15pm

### Big Changes

Coming Soon



# 2012

A few ideas the committee are working on for 2012 include:

- Kidderminster Trip with a twist
- A day out and concert to somewhere like Alton Towers, Gulliver's Word etc.
- A new Uniform - Blue Polo shirts (which will be provided)
- At least 4 concerts a year with the main band and mass bands.
- A lot more concerts and possibly even some competitions
- An awards evening for all the band.



Change is happening!

## Suggestions!

If you have any suggestions as to fund raisers or events you feel the Youth Bands should be involved with please let us know at rehearsal or if you email [ybcommittee@middletonband.com](mailto:ybcommittee@middletonband.com) all the committee members will see your suggestion and this will be discussed at the next Youth Band committee meeting.

## Contact Details

If you could help us make sure we have your most up to date contact information, incase any new events are added or we need to get in touch it would be appreciated.

Also if you need to get in touch with us all our details are on the website or if you can contact the band secretary Fred Houghton.

Email: [secretary@middletonband.com](mailto:secretary@middletonband.com)  
Tel: 07932 152160

Thanks for taking the time to read your newsletter.

## Changes coming soon...

After Christmas Mrs Pam Smith will be leaving us to peruse her other interests. We would like to thank Pam for her time with the Youth Band and would like to wish her all the success in her future.

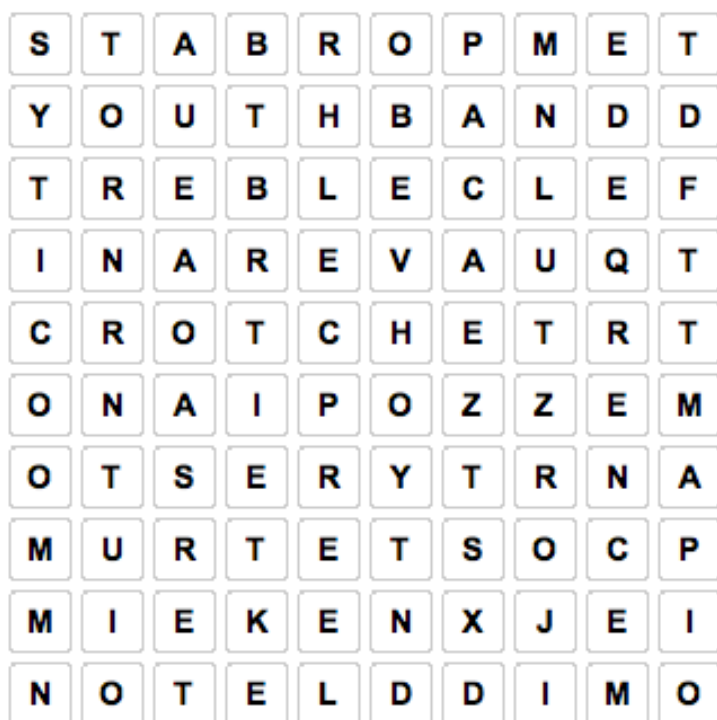
We have yet to confirm the full details as to who will be taking the band but as soon as we know we will let everyone know.

## Patrons Idea...

Also we are looking at introducing a Youth Band patron scheme for families, friends and supporters of the band. We are still thinking about ideas, so watch this space.

Each newsletter we want to set you a challenge. Find all the words listed on the word search and also for the older members find out the meanings/be able to explain the meanings of any of the musical terms.

Once completed, pass it back to Jamie with your name on it and 5 will be chosen at random to receive prize.



## Key Dates

Some key dates for your diary:  
Thursday 17th November  
St. Annes Awards Evening

Saturday 3rd December  
Community Concert

Tuesday 13th December  
Youth Band Outing - Ideas Wanted.

Sunday 18th December  
Mayors Carol Concert

Monday 19th December  
No More Rehearsals till 2012

2012 - Happy New Year.  
Monday 9th January 2012  
First Rehearsal Back After Christmas  
Youth Band Council Members to be Selected

Monday 6th February 2012  
First Youth Band Council Meeting

## Word Search

Treble Clef  
Mezzo Piano  
Middleton  
Youth Band  
Crotchet  
Quaver  
Music  
Tempo  
Rest  
Key

