Little Melton Primary School









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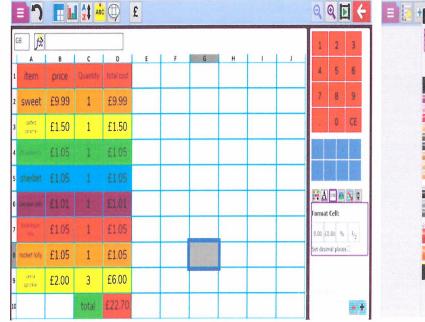
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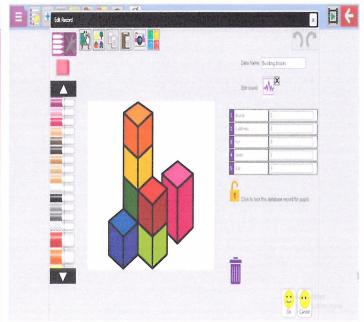
Dear Parents,

It has been a busy week in school, with all of the classes now settling back into their daily routines - with in particular a lot of lovely art and craft work going on (see pictures over page).

We have also over the last couple of weeks spent some time completing a 'Back to School' activity with all of the children (differentiated by age group) to gauge how the transition back has gone and pick up any concerns. Reassuringly, the feedback would suggest that the children seem to have coped really well with the disruptions and are definitely pleased to be back. There were lots of questions about next term - predominantly about whether different events and clubs can go ahead as normal (and about moving up to High School for Year 6) - and here we are certainly going to do everything we can, and hoping that the quidance to school changes over the weeks ahead.

Finally, have an excellent Easter Holiday! I'm sure lots of the children are looking forward to the imminent welcome resumption of many outdoor clubs, and please have a look too at the exciting Easter Active Holidays Bingo Card competition (poster attached).





Barn Owls Computing- Spreadsheets with formulas

Barn Owls Computing- Making our own Databases



Around the Classrooms:

This week:			
Owlets		Barn	
Snowy		Eagle	Free Control of the Section 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Next week:			
Owlets	 Number bonds to 10 (Reception) Counting in 2's 5's and 10's (Yr1) ear air (Yr1) 	Barn	 Dictionary skills What does a rainforest look like? Parts of a plant.
Snowy	 Meeting our new teacher! Stories with patterns Position and direction 	Eagle	 Non-chronological reports Geographical processes Germination



Birthdays w/c 21st March Adam age 6 Logan age 9

> During the holidays Lottie age 6 Hal age 7 William age 7 Mason age 9

Parental Engagement During CV19 Restrictions

I am very aware that a consequence of the current restrictions for school is that parents are far less able to come into school to meet teachers and find out more informally about how their child is getting on. This has become more of a problem as we have now of course been operating under restrictions of one sort or another for over a year. To address this, we are going to bring parents evenings slightly forward to mid May and offer either a video conference or a phone call for parents. There will be more information about this after the holiday.

I am also going to trial offering a weekly Zoom meeting on a Friday afternoon, for any parents to request a 1:1 meeting with me about any whole school aspect that they would like to talk about. This will be bookable in advance, and again, there will be more information about this after Easter.

Next term, there will also be parent information evenings about the new Relationships and Health Education curriculum, and a brand new addition to our school reading resources with the MyON platform launching with the children soon.

Hopefully, the restrictions will be fully eased in due course, and then we will ensure that there can be at least one or two events every halfterm, for every class, where parents can come into school, if they want to. We are keen not to 'over-promise' to the children at the moment with events like trips and sports day, because clearly this is still beyond our control, but certainly everything remains under consideration at this stage and tentative plans have been made!



N.B. These dates/times could be subject to change.

Easter Holidays Mon 29th March - Fri 9th April 2021

Friday 30th April - Eagle Owls Anglo Saxon Living History Day

Bank Holiday 3rd May 2021

Monday 10th May - School Photos

Friday 28th May - Eagle Owls Viking Day

May Half Term Mon 31st May - Fri 4th June 2021

Monday 14th June - Eagle Owls Bake-Off Monday 28th June - Eagle Owls bikeability group 1 Tuesday 29th June - Eagle Owls bikeability group 1 Friday 2nd July - Eagle Owls West Runton beach trip

Monday 5th July - Eagle Owls bikeability group 2 Tuesday 6th July - Eagle Owls bikeability group 2 Wednesday 7th July - Hethersett Academy transition day

Friday 9th July - Whole school orienteering day Friday 9th July - Year 6 leavers movie night Wednesday 14th July - (provisional) Eagle Owls canceing at Whitlingham

Friday 16th July - Year 6 leavers midnight game night

Monday 19th July - Year 6 leavers water fight

Summer Holidays commence Thurs 22nd July 2021

ATTENDANCE***MATTERS

every school day count

Last week's attendance was: 97.75%

Years R & 1 achieved 100% attendance

Attendance year to date is 95.12% (excluding self-isolation)

Yours faithfully

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Mr Pritchard Headteacher



EASTE

ACTIVE HOLIDAYS



GET INVOLVED

During the Easter holidays we are challenging pupils and their families to get active!

Your challenge is to mark off as many activities as possible on our Active Holidays Bingo Card. Mark off as many as you can whether that's a line, diagonal line or a full house completing all the activities! Aim to do each activity as long as you can.

You can decide to complete the challenge in one day, over the two weeks or make it part of your daily routine to hit your 60 active minutes each day.

Simply mark off each activity on your bingo card. At the end of the week ask an adult to submit your results at www.norwichssp.co.uk/activeholidays (deadline 14th April).

Prize

One lucky pupil will be drawn out of a hat to win a £50 sports voucher.

SHAPE YOU' PHOTOS

Share photos of you and your family being active by tagging us on social media

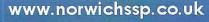


Norwich School Sport Partnership



















NAME:

SCHOOL:

RIDE A BIKE

CLIMB A TREE

BOUNCE ONA **TRAMPOLINE**

GO FOR A WALK

SKIP **USING A** ROPE

PLAY ON THE **PARK**

HULA HOOP **SHOOT SOME BASKETS OR BOUNCE A** BALL

GO FOR AJOG

CATCH AND KICK A BALL

ROLL DOWN A HILL AND **RUN BACK UP**

SKIPPING

JUGGLE 2 OR 3 OBJECTS

ROLLER SKATE OR **SKATEBOARD**

PLAY A BALL SPORT

DANCE **IN YOUR KITCHEN**

RESULTS

At the end of the week record your results at www.norwichssp.co.uk/activeholidays We will email you a certificate to celebrate your achievements.

CEPTIFICATES

Gold - A full house and marked off all activities

Silver - Completed half of the challenge **Bronze** - Completed 4 activities in a line

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Easter Week



Little Melton Church

Easter is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is the oldest Christian tradition and the most important date in the Christian calendar. Easter marks the end of the 40 days of Lent. The week before Easter is known as Holy Week, beginning on Palm Sunday and including Maundy Thursday (the day of the Last Supper), Good Friday (the day of Christ's crucifixion) and Holy Saturday.

Eggs are associated with Easter because eggs were forbidden during Lent. Any remaining eggs would be used up on the day before Lent, Shrove Tuesday, also known as Pancake Day. Eggs gathered during Lent would then be eaten at Easter. Eggs are a symbol of fertility and rebirth, linking them with springtime and with the celebration of the resurrection.

Here in Little Melton we have traditionally held an Easter Egg Hunt after our service on Easter Sunday.

This year we have a joint service in Hethersett so we are having our Easter Hunt throughout Holy Week.

The church will be open every day. When you visit you must find the ten Easter pictures around the church.

Write down what you find and pop your list in the box provided.

All entrants can collect their egg from the porch on Easter Sunday.

