



Newsletter 15th April 2021

Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

I hope that you all enjoyed the Easter holiday, and the children took advantage of the encouraging relaxations of some of the restrictions- particularly no doubt around the resumption of outdoor clubs and activities and meeting up with extended families.

Similarly, since the school return this term, I am delighted to report that we are also now able to offer additional activities to the children- including inviting in external coaches again, and also running extra-curricular clubs (limited to bubbles only) at lunchtimes and after school. As a result, we now have a lunchtime coach from Set Your Sights offering sports and physical activity three days a week, and also a local sports coach leading PE lessons for all classes in the afternoons. We are also planning to start some school led clubs in the next couple of weeks- there will be news on this in due course.

Elsewhere in the newsletter there is information about a new reading add-on we have purchased called myON. There are details here of how to access a parent session outlining how the platform works. I hope that some of you will be able to attend next week.



Planting Sunflowers



Enjoying the Tricycles!



As many of you may be aware, Mrs Lee is now the Mum of a lovely baby girl called Sophia. Thank you to all the parents who have been so kind and generous with gifts for Mrs Lee, and I know we all wish them all the best for the future!

Weekly Headteacher Zoom Meetings - every Friday 1.15-2.15pm

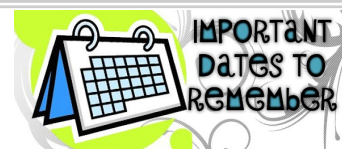
Starting next Friday (April 23rd), I will be setting time aside each week to offer individual Zoom meetings with any parents who would like to discuss any whole school items with me. If you would like to take up this offer, please email head@littlemelton.norfolk.sch.uk and I will set up an appointment time and email a joining link.

This week:			
<p>Owlets</p> 	 <p>Weaving</p>	<p>Barn</p> 	 <p>Norwich Tour Brochures</p>
<p>Snowy</p> 	 <p>Ramadan Lanterns</p>	<p>Eagle</p> 	 <p>Topic Front Pages using IT</p>
Next week:			
<p>Owlets</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number bonds to 10 • Phonics– ure, er • New topic– reduce, re-use, recycle 	<p>Barn</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance poetry • Functions of leaves • Location of rainforests
<p>Snowy</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telling the time • Pitfall traps for minibeasts • David Attenborough 	<p>Eagle</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dragonology pages • Percentages • Coastal erosion



Birthdays w/c 11th April

Tegan age 8



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

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

Wednesday 9th June - Barn Owls trip to Gressenhall

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 canoeing 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

An extra new school reading platform for children: myON



RENAISSANCE
myON

Many of you will be aware that the children here have for many years used the **Accelerated Reader** system to support with their independent reading - particularly from Year 2 onwards. In this system, the children have an individual log in to access quizzes and records of books they have read independently, as well as guidance to help them to choose books at an appropriate level for their stage of development.

The producers of Accelerated Reader have recently now released an additional add-on package called 'myON'. This package has a number of features, including offering children access to a large catalogue of free e-books and the opportunity for teachers to share class reading lists and interact with them.

We will be giving the children their individual log ins for myOn next week in school, and also showing them how to use the platform. In addition, I will be running a **Zoom parents information session next Monday April 19th after school at 4.15pm** for anyone who would like to have a preliminary look at some of the different features with me, and ask questions. I may also be able to offer a recording of this session for anyone unable to attend, if the attendees are happy to allow this.

If you would like to attend the Zoom session, please use the Google Forms link below to indicate, and you will be emailed the joining link.

<https://forms.gle/pVLE9Wfb2YtfdKwq8>

ATTENDANCE MATTERS
every school day counts.

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

Mr A Pritchard
Headteacher