

Little Melton Primary School



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Newsletter 20th May 2021

Dear Parents,

There has again been lots of fabulous work going on around the school this week - pictures further on. Snowy Owls and Owlets are also looking forward to their caterpillars turning into butterflies in the near future! For those of you who enjoyed Sophie's stop-go animated film last week, there is also another one from the class - this time from Thea. <https://youtu.be/PEM4lbtkbIo> It has a plant theme to fit in with the Barn Owls topic this half-term.

Face Coverings on the Playground

In light of the latest relaxation of the national Covid-19 restrictions this week, we would like to now no longer ask for face coverings outside of school at pick up and drop off times - although clearly people are welcome to continue to wear them if they wish to. We will however still retain face-coverings indoors in situations where it is difficult to practise social distancing, and also continue to minimise and discourage face to face meetings - at least for the time being.

Similarly, we would like to also make a minor change to our bubble organisation, and now put together the Owlets and Snowy bubbles within school, to make a larger bubble grouping of children and adults. We have done this as a reflection of the current much reduced case numbers and lower risk within this age group of children, but also as part of transition arrangements for Reception children ahead of next year. This is because our Reception children have not had the opportunity in this very unusual year to mix with any of the other children in the school, and we would like to address this for them - particularly at playtimes and lunchtimes. **Drop off/pick ups will now be 8.50 and 3.10 for both Owlets and Snowy Owls. Barn and Eagle remain 8.45 and 3.15.**

The two Key Stage 2 bubbles (Barn and Eagle) are currently working usefully, but we will review this structure again regularly after half-term, and/or as soon as guidance to schools changes.

Finally, a reminder that this weekend is the last chance for any children to enter their class Knowledge Organiser online quiz, and win a prize! (Details below).



Headteacher Knowledge Organiser Quizzes last chance this half-term!

Year 1 and Year 2

<https://forms.gle/4K4WvfXzVTfc1tAY7>

Year 3 and Year 4

<https://forms.gle/PE9zwdYiPuhB6PC49>

Year 5 and Year 6






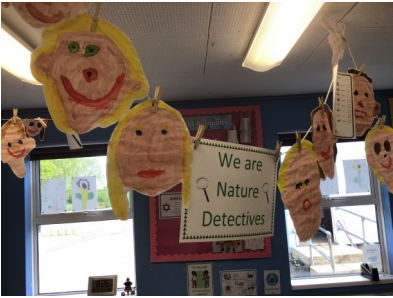






<https://forms.gle/TSkMcPJJu3Rt67H7>



Weekly Headteacher Zoom Meetings - every Friday 1.15-2.15pm

From 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.

Around the Classrooms:

This week:			
<p>Owlets</p> 	 <p>Butterfly sewing</p>	<p>Barn</p> 	 <p>Experimenting with Plants</p>
<p>Snowy</p> 	 <p>Nature Detectives!</p>	<p>Eagle</p> 	 <p>Completed Mosaics</p>
<p>Next week:</p>			
<p>Owlets</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number 20 • Position and direction words • CCVC words • Looking at plants 	<p>Barn</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Filming and presenting- news reports with iPads • Telling the time • Saving the rainforest • Parts of a flower– how they work
<p>Snowy</p> 	<p>Butterfly week!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Butterfly poetry • Caterpillar's growing up! • Life cycle of a butterfly 	<p>Eagle</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Division methods • What can we find at the coastline? • The 5 pillars of Islam

Happy Birthday

Indi - age 8



1000 - Aiesha
800 - Edward
700 - Jamal
600 - Seb, Sophie F
500 - Harriet
400 - Mollie



Owlets - Lewys, Harry, Arthur
Snowy - Thomas & Scarlett
Barn - Autumn & Mason
Eagle - Bailey & Emily

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every school day counts.

Last week's attendance was: 98.70%

Years R, 1 & 5 achieved 100% attendance

Attendance year to date is 97.30%
(excluding self-isolation)



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

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

Wednesday 9th June - Barn Owls trip to Gressenhall
Friday 11th June - Eagle Owls Viking Day
Monday 14th June - Eagle Owls Bake-Off
Monday 21st June - Year 5/6 girls football festival—UEA 11a.m—2p.m.
Thursday 24th June - Eagle Owls sailing trip at Filby Broad
Monday 28th June - Eagle Owls bikeability group 1
Tuesday 29th June - Eagle Owls bikeability group 1
Wednesday 30th June - Barn Owls trip to Amazonia Zoo
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 1
Friday 9th July - Hethersett Academy transition day 2
Friday 9th July - Whole school orienteering day
Friday 9th July - Year 6 leavers movie night
Wednesday 14th July - (provisional) Eagle Owls canoeing at Whitlingham
Wednesday 14th July - Owlets & Snowy Owls trip to Banham Zoo
Friday 16th July - Year 6 leavers midnight game night
Monday 19th July - Year 6 leavers water fight

Summer Holidays commence
Thurs 22nd July 2021

Yours faithfully

Mr Pritchard
Headteacher

Help us win £5,000 for the school library!


Our school needs you! Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Just enter the competition online, it only takes a minute:

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Enter at [nationalbooktokens.com/schools](https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools)
Terms and conditions apply

PLUS...

This summer term, we're asking children to send us their own dazzling National Book Token designs. Six weekly winners will get their artwork made into a £10 gift card – one for them, and one for everyone in their class!
[nationalbooktokens.com/create](https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/create)





May Half Term Holiday Tennis Sessions

We are pleased to announce the return of our holiday Junior Tennis Sessions!

For more details and to book visit:

[Samuel Howlett Coaching / Tennis Fun Days](http://SamuelHowlettCoaching.com)
lta.org.uk

Day	Time	Age Group/ Level	Session	Cost	
				Member	Non Mem
Weds 2nd June	9.30- 11.30am	Age 4-8 Years	Mini Tennis Outdoor Fun Session	£6	£8
Weds 2nd June	11.30am- 1.30pm	Age 9-11 Years	Junior Tennis Outdoor Fun Session	£6	£8
Thurs 3rd & Fri 4th June	10.30am- 12.30pm	Age 11-14 Years	Older Junior Tennis Outdoor 2 Day Tennis Course	£12	£16

The sessions will be at Wymondham Tennis Club, should you require any further information please email head coach Sam Howlett at Samhowletttennis@Yahoo.co.uk



Make Friends



The perfect way
for girls aged 5-11
to get involved
with football



LOVE

 TIME AND DATE

 LOCATION

 NEXT STEPS

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or for more info contact us via:



Play Football

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Have Fun!

LOL



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Free Admission

Crafts

Bouncy Castle

LITTLE MELTON PRESCHOOL NURSERY &
CRUSADERS RUGBY CLUB

BBQ

Games

SUMMER FAIR

Prizes

Bar

Saturday 19th June

1030 - 1400

Crusaders Rugby Club,
Beckhithe, NR9 3NP





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Summer Reading Challenge 2021

WILD WORLD HEROES

Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

The Summer Reading Challenge is launching on July 10th!

The Facts:

- The Summer Reading Challenge is designed to prevent a dip in children's literacy levels over the summer holidays and encourage a reading for pleasure habit.
- This year the Reading Agency in partnership with libraries are aiming to reach 1 million children in the UK. The theme is nature and the environment and is also in partnership with the World Wildlife Fund
- Children are more likely to engage with the Summer Reading Challenge if it is promoted and celebrated within their school.
- Libraries in Norfolk are open and want to encourage children back.
- The Norfolk Library and Information Service has stopped overdue charges from all children's cards in order to remove any obstacle to library membership.
- The Norfolk Library and Information Service has developed electronic joining and registering systems and improved the online services to improve access.

The Norfolk Library and Information Service will support school engagement by providing the following:

- Electronic promotional material to distribute with your newsletters including local events.
- Electronic forms to help families register with the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library.
- Electronic forms to make it easy for families to join their local library and borrow books from their local library or online e-books.
- YouTube video to explain the challenge to your students and/or virtual attendance by a library staff member at an assembly.
- Top tips to support schools who want to engage children in the challenge



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What will happen next?

- You will be sent your electronic pack via the Education Library Service
- You will be contacted by your local library to ask if you have received this notification, answer any questions and offer a chance for virtual attendance at an assembly, as it is always nice for children to meet local library staff.

What you need to know:

- Libraries are open but, for those of you familiar with the Summer Reading Challenge, it is still not quite business as usual. We will be keeping our community safe by not encouraging large gatherings so, sadly, will not be offering school visits this year.
- We will be holding live online author and interactive story events throughout the challenge that families can access via zoom. The popular storyteller John Kirk; author, vet and TV presenter Dr Jess French; and author and vet Gill Lewis.
- Every week a new activity sheet will be available from local libraries to pick up along with the next book to read to encourage families to visit regularly.

