

Newsletter 3rd November, 2022

Dear Parents,

It has been a very positive start back to school this week, ahead of a traditionally really packed and busy half-term. There are lots of **dates and events** for you later on in this newsletter.

It was great to see many families represented at our **Harvest Festival** assembly on the last Friday before the break. I also know that Alison from the Salvation Army was really appreciative of the amount of kind donations of food made by the members of this school community. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

This week, we have a large number of children across Key Stage 2 taking part in the **cross-country** event at the UEA. This has proven to be a really worthwhile and character-building activity in previous years, and I'm sure the children will enjoy it again this time.

Next week we have a number of **clubs starting** after school. All of the children who wanted a place have got one this time, and there is a confirmation slip in school bags today too. Please note that there have been some slight adjustments to the dates for Mindfulness club.

Also next week we will have a travelling **Book Fair** after school in the hall from 3.15-3.45 Monday-Thursday. If you would like to have a look, please collect your child from the playground and go through into the hall. Some of the proceeds from any sales will go into school funds.

British Legion Poppy Appeal

Following the success of last year's **Poppy stall** on the school playground, we will again by selling some items on behalf of the British Legion ahead of Remembrance Sunday.

The stall will be available before and after school only, from Friday November 4th until Friday November 11th, and we will be recruiting some of the older children to help to run the stall.



Little Melton Pre-School now has a page on our school website:

http://www.littlemeltonprimaryschool.co.uk/little-melton-pre-school/

Please follow the link if you have any family members or friends who might be interested in attending this excellent pre-school.

Christmas Carol concerts

We will be holding two Christmas Carol concerts at Little Melton village church this year. Families are all welcome to attend. Please note the children are organised by their house teams for this event, so that siblings can all attend together to make it easier for parents.

The dates are:

Wednesday December 7th 1.30-2.15 Houses: Emerald and Garnet

Friday December 9th 1.30-2.15 Houses: Citrine and Topaz

We will also be looking for any volunteers to help walk the children down to the church from school. If you are happy to do this, please can you contact the school office nearer the time.

Christmas Performance

This year our Christmas Performance is called 'Santa's on Strike'.

We will be holding three performances at different times of the day. Details of how to apply for tickets will follow nearer the time.

The dates are:

Tuesday December 13th 9.30-10.30am Tuesday December 13th 6.00-7.00pm Wednesday December 14th 1.30-2.30pm

Parents Evening Consultations

We will be offering all parents the opportunity for a formal parent consultation meeting later this half-term. Details of how to book will follow nearer the time.

The dates are:

Wednesday November 23rd 3.30-6.30pm Tuesday November 29th 3.30-6.30pm

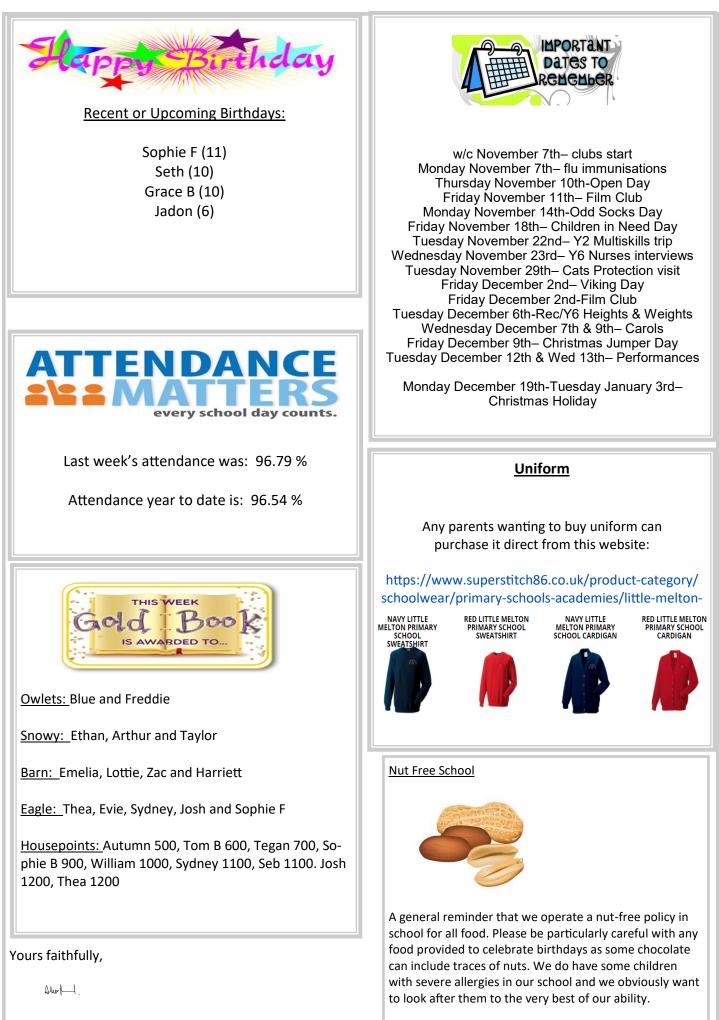
There will also be the option of arranging a Zoom call for parents who would prefer this option.

Friends Update:

Many thanks to everyone that took part in the pumpkin trail - together we raised over £100 for the school.

The next Friends meeting is **Wednesday 9th Nov, 7:30pm at the Village Inn**. We will be discussing Christmas activities for the children and fundraising for this half term. All parents welcome to share ideas!

This week:			
Owlets	Autumn Painting	Barn	Muscle Models
Snowy	Model Room	Eagle	Dissolving
Next week:			
Owlets	Phonics ff II ss j Learning about the seasons Making leaf kebabs	Barn	Features of Instructional texts Food group and nutrition Cave paintings
Snowy	The role of a monarch What is a woodland habi- tat? Making sliding mechanisms based on Gingerbread man	Eagle	Adding and subtracting fractions The Viking Conflict Final draft of Dragonology pages



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Our Pre-School is run by a team of experienced, qualified, friendly staff. We provide quality care and education through child-led play.

Open Monday-Friday during term time

Rated 'Good' by Ofsted

Open to children from 2 1/2 - School age

Providing quality childcare for over 30

years

Please contact us to arrange a visit on the details above.

This organisation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all its staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

