

Little Melton Primary School



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Newsletter
30th June 2023

Dear Parents,

First of all, a big well done to all of the children in Eagle Owls involved in the Dance Showcase event last week. The children performed their dance in front of an audience of over 300 people at St. Andrews Hall, as part of a terrific show involving a number of other local schools. This will have been a really valuable confidence building experience for all of the children involved, whether or not they go on to do more performing arts in the future. Thanks also to Mrs Davies, Mrs House and Mrs Graves for the time they invested in putting the dance together.



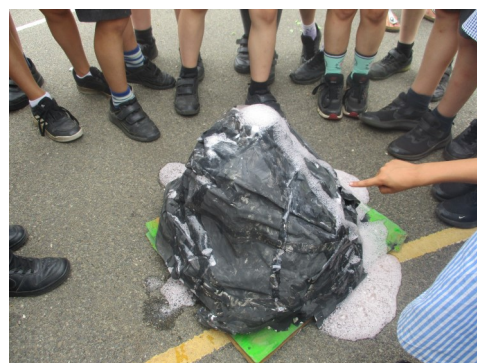
Children in Owlets have had a particularly exciting week with the arrival of duckling eggs. The eggs arrived on Thursday in an incubator, and started to hatch during Friday. This week the children have enjoyed watching them grow, naming them (!), and on Wednesday afternoon taking them for their first ever paddle. Barn Owls have also been tracking the growth of the ducklings on a class graph.



In addition to the ducklings, children in Owlets and Snowy Owls have been observing the life cycle of butterflies, with caterpillars slowly metamorphosing in an enclosure in the classroom. The butterflies were released on Wednesday afternoon too!



In Barn Owls, to complete their highly enjoyable Earthquakes and Volcanoes topic, the children have made their own scale model volcanoes. The volcanoes, using a secret mixture of ingredients, also erupted earlier this week.



Finally, a reminder that next Tuesday and Wednesday mornings are our 'Move up Mornings' where children (except Year 6 leavers) will be spending a morning with their class for next September.

Eagle Owls Great Bake Off, June 2023— many thanks to Mrs Awbery and Mrs Graves for supporting the children with this annual highlight!







School Council News From Around the School



This month, the School Council have planted some wild flower seeds alongside the footpath into school. They have also interviewed the leader of the Little Melton Parish Council about activities in the village, and also met with a local resident who attended the school over 50 years ago and found out about what was different then and now. This is part of a longer term project the children will be doing about how Little Melton has changed over the years, as a contribution to a local history website. <https://www.little-melton.org.uk/home/history>



Parish Council– Ketty

Last week we had a school council meeting. We met a man from the parish council called John and a volunteer called Anney. the parish council helps animals like toads. They also help the environment by giving people bins for free and making things like grassy areas and bins. They are hoping to get speed bumps to make the road outside the school safer!

Leavers Play– Sydney

Eagle Owls are enjoying practising the leavers play (I'm an eleven year old, get me out of here) based on 'I'm a celebrity get me out of here'. We have created many fun and challenging trials for us and the parents to enjoy. Parts have been given out to all the children including: dances, speaking and trials.

The trials are going to be like the trials on TV because we will not know what is the content of the box in the feely box challenge. There will be presents explaining the trials and helping to judge who won.

We work on it two days a week for an hour having fun, giving out parts and making dances. There will be 8 scenes with 8 dances one will be the dance showcase. Also we will have many costume changes in backstage.

Life Cycles– Summer

In the last few weeks Snowy Owls have been learning about different life cycles. A butterfly life cycle is how a caterpillar transforms into a butterfly. And when they were all butterfly we set them free. In Owlets class, they also have duck eggs which will soon hatch so they can learn about life cycles too.

Summer Fair - Zac

As you should know, the Summer fair is on **Saturday 8th July from 11 am - 3 pm**. We hope you spend lots and lots of your money on our stalls including teddy tombola. Then we can get a new slide for the school. Enjoy the fair!

School Pond– Seb

The pond is very dirty at the moment. It still has wild-life but there are so many leaves, balls and other dirty things. We are filling it up with water as it has gone down lots.

We need to destroy all of the Stinging nettles because they take up lots of space that we could use to get students in to study it.



Dance Showcase - Evie

The 2023 Eagle Owls dance showcase is about Eurovision this year. We are dancing to Cha Cha Cha by Käärijä. This is the entry from Finland. Mrs Davies and Mrs House came up with the dance with some help from the pupils. The dance is very energetic and fun. Our costumes can be as crazy as we like as long as it is appropriate. We haven't had the longest time to practise as we have had a lot of other important jobs to do. We had a costume rehearsal in front of the school on Thursday 15/06/12 and the feedback from the kids was really good. Dance Showcase has become a tradition with our school as we have performed in it almost every year apart from Covid. Each year is a different theme like: Shrek, sporty, space and circus. Every year, all the kids who decide to do the Dance Showcase all really enjoy it but you go at 12:00 PM till 9:00 PM in the city!

Snowy Owl Buddies- Penelope

In Snowy Owl we now have buddies with someone in Barn Owls. We share our work and help each other. We find out what is happening in each class. Sometimes we share our reading books with each other too.

The Old School- Flora

We are doing a project about how the school has changed and finding out about how the school used to work. The school got bombed. The school was much, much smaller. It only had about 40 people in the whole school!! The toilets were outside! The children were allowed to have snowball fights and the teachers didn't mind!

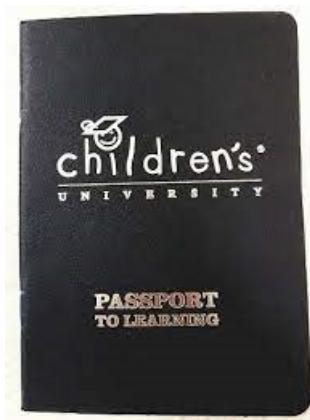


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Pensthorpe	red	1648
Gressenhall	green	9146
Castle Museum	yellow	1113
Strumpshaw Fen	red	7914
Blickling	yellow	2594
Trowse Netball Club	red	1289
Swimming	red	2383
Hethersett Rainbows	blue	3822
Hethersett Brownies	purple	zero298
Hethersett Athletic FC	blue	8020
Perfect Performers Dance	yellow	2961
Norwich Swans	green	4508
Norwich Brownies	purple	4276
Anna Stone Piano lessons	blue	8673
Central School of Dance	green	9584
LM Karate lessons	purple	8169
Wyndham rugby club	red	7304
Heigham Park FC	red	5207
Triple Threat Drama	purple	7564
Easton Tennis Club	green	7,946
Wham Drama Club	red	9237
Woodside Cubs Group	orange	5659
Hethersett 3rd Guides	purple	5181
Crusaders Rugby	red	7263
Easton Gymnastics	purple	7862
Wyndham Beavers	orange	1073
All Stars/Dynamos Cricket	yellow	6957
LMPS Tennis Club	red	3640
Hethersett Cubs	yellow	6218
Limelight Drama	yellow	2584
Star Dance	green	7236
LMPS Uke	blue	3072



Norfolk Ski Centre	red	4435
Norfolk Hoopstars	yellow	2799
Norfolk swim school	blue	1554
East Anglia Tennis & squash club	blue	1085
Gain Fitness Club	yellow	8531
Eska Karate	purple	2944
Norwich Penguins	orange	6120
LMPS Singing	purple	5431
LMPS Chess	yellow	9886
LMPS Boardgames	green	7340
LMPS Mindfulness	green	7814
LMPS TTRS	red	1732
FITC football	purple	6720
Hethersett Beavers	red	6963



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Summer Fair– Saturday July 8th

Can you help?

Cake Stall

On 30th June plates will go home with children requesting contributions for the cake stall at the fair . Please return to school on 7 July.



Setting Up & Helping on Stalls

If you would like to help setting up for the fair, please stay after pick up on 7th July (Friday). We are also looking for any volunteers to help out for a short time on the day itself. Please speak to Mrs Glover or Mr Pritchard if you are able to support even for an hour.



Recently:			
<p>Owlets</p> 	 <p>Life Cycles</p>	<p>Barn</p> 	 <p>Salt Dough Fossils</p>
<p>Snowy</p> 	 <p>Number Art</p>	<p>Eagle</p> 	 <p>Rock Pooling at West Runton</p>
Coming up!			
<p>Owlets</p> 	<p>Sewing Felt Butterflies</p> <p>Revising Tricky Words</p> <p>Big Write– About Our Ducklings</p>	<p>Barn</p> 	<p>Science Day– Vision Theme</p> <p>Andy Goldsmith– Natural Art</p> <p>Maths Revision</p>
<p>Snowy</p> 	<p>Weather Graphs</p> <p>Historical Writing</p> <p>Buddhism RE</p> <p>Cooking</p>	<p>Eagle</p> 	<p>Sailing at Filby</p> <p>Leavers Booklets</p> <p>Leavers Play Rehearsals</p>



Recent or Upcoming Birthdays:

Camley 6
Evie 6
Ayva 5
Charlotte 8



July 4th– 5th Transition days
July 18th 1.30pm Children’s University Graduation
July 19th 6pm Year 6 Leaver’s Play @ Hethersett Village Hall
July 21st– Leavers Assembly (9.30am)
July 21st– End of Term



Last week’s attendance was: 94.05%
Attendance year to date is: 95.35%

Uniform

Any parents wanting to buy uniform can purchase it direct from this website:

<https://www.superstitch86.co.uk/product-category/schoolwear/primary-schools-academies/little-melton-primary-school/>



Owlets: Blue– team work

Snowy: Lucas– writing Beth– determination

Barn: Lucas– writing Lewys– poem Seth– bouncing back Oliver–perseverance

Eagle: Bake Off! All excellent!

Winners: Thea, Josh, Indi, Lily, Benji, Sophie F, Seb, William, Seth, Josef, Stan and Sam



Nut Free School



A general reminder that we operate a nut-free policy in school for all food. Please be particularly careful with any food provided to celebrate birthdays as some chocolate can include traces of nuts. We do have some children with severe allergies in our school and we obviously want to look after them to the very best of our ability.

Yours faithfully,

Alex Pritchard, Headteacher.



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