Little Melton Primary School



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Newsletter 4th April 2025

Dear Parents,

A big thank you to all of the parents who supported the children at the recent school disco organised by the Friends. The children had a very enjoyable time well led as ever by Super Tamion!

We all enjoyed the visit of Marge and Pop the sheep last week! There were large groups of children watching the sheep at lunch and playtimes throughout the week, and each class also took part in a feeding time. We also took the opportunity to teach the children about caring for livestock, the uses of sheep, and the food cycle. There are some pictures later in the newsletter of this really worthwhile experience.

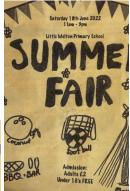
Barn Owls enjoyed a super visit to Norwich on Tuesday this week as part of their geography topic. The children visited both Norwich Cathedral and the Bridewell Musuem participating in a range of different learning activities. The culmination of this topic have been some excellent Norwich tourist guides and guided walks that the children have created to share at home– maybe over Easter!

Also this week, Eagle Owl children have again taken part in the annual and spectacular Dance Showcase event, this year held at The Space Venue in Norwich. It was a great pleasure to see the children's excellent dance to the song 'Blinding Light'. Many thanks to Mrs Davies and Mrs House for their skilful and imaginative choreographing of the dance and for teaching it to the children!

Finally, I hope of course that you all have an excellent Easter break. The children are due back in school on **Wednesday April 23rd** for the beginning of the summer term.







May Fair Programme Front Cover Design Competition!

The May Fair is nearly upon us again and we are looking for an attractive design for the front cover of the programme.

All children are welcome to enter the competition. We need a design which is black and white in pencil ie with shading rather than colouring and attractive lettering It should include the following details:

Little Melton Primary School May Fair Saturday May 17th

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It should also include some drawn pictures representing the kind of activities at the May Fair eg different stalls, May Pole etc. (See the examples of previous programmes).

All entries need to be handed into school by Wednesday April 23rd (first day back after the holiday).











Eagle and Barn Owls meeting the sheep!





















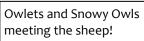






























































Barn Owls visit to Norwich Cathedral & Bridewell Museum







Well done a number of our children for achievements outside of school.

Daisy represented her rugby team in the final of the Eastern Counties event held in Cambridgeshire.

Ollie won multiple medals at Norwich Swans swimming meet.

Trixie and Ketty took part in a street dance group event at Epic Studios!

Ellie won a silver medal for bar in her gymnastics competition!



















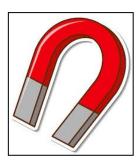
Knowledge Organiser Quizzes- Spring Term 2nd Half

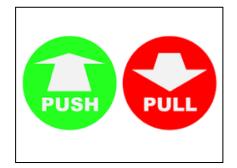


Snowy Owls- United Kingdom
https://forms.gle/M22c4fVhvzZ9LJ9m9

Barn Owls- Forces & Magnets

https://forms.gle/fs4ZUuciCrjsbC8P6





Eagle Owls-Forces/Mayans

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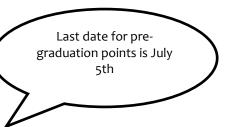
Prizes in first 'Well Done Assembly' after half-term!



Some useful codes:

Pensthorpe	purple	6889
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
Central School of Dance	green	9584
LM Karate lessons	purple	8169
Wymondham 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
Wymondham 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
Norwich Ballet	purple	4331
UEA Gymnastics	green	7663
David Lloyd Swimming/Let's Play	orange	1923



Please continue to email me for any regular clubs that need a code.

Some useful codes:

Support with emotional wellbeing.

Mrs Plant, our mental health lead, has curated a selection of free and paid for online resources and contacts for children and adults.

These can be found on our school website at:

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April 2025



Welcome to our April Challenge Sheet! This term, we have a special Easter challenge created and sent in by Quinn. We think it is a pretty special challenge and we hope you all enjoy taking part. Thank you Quinn!

Before we get into the challenges though, well done to Rocco and Wren from Wickhambrook Primary Academy who had great fun making their own birds nest from our February challenge sheet. They went on a long countryside walk and talked about different materials birds use, where they build their nests, and when. They then created their own nests which look really cosy! Well done Rocco and Wren.



Holiday Challenges from Children's University-with codes!



Let's cook

let's fill up on a delicious spring smoothie.

What will you put in yours?



- With lots of Easter goodies around, 1.Preparation: Gather ingredients for a spring smoothie, such as strawberries, bananas, and vogurt.
 - 2. Blend: Blend the ingredients together to make a delicious and healthy smoothie. You can use a blender, or peel your fruit and veg and mash it all together with a fork until it's smooth.
 - 3. Enjoy: Enjoy your smoothie as a refreshing treat and share your recipe with us!

Let's create

4 x Learning hours

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String Easter Baskets

You will need: String Plastic table cover or bin bag PVA glue

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Bowl Cling film

Disposable tray

Disposable cup Balloon Ribbon

Fabric

Ziplock bag

Rice
Needle and thread
Scissors
Battery operated fairy lights (option
Shredded paper
Decorations
Treats











Firstly cover your table with a plastic table cover or bin bag.

Line your bowl with clingfilm and tape the edges down

Blow up your balloon but don't over inflate it.

Mix 1 cup PVA glue with 1 cup water.

Pour the mixture onto the clingfilm lined bowl, creating a puddle of mixture on top of the clingfilm.

Drop your ball of string into the mixture making sure it is completely saturated.

Wrap the end of the string around the top of the balloon and start wrapping the balloon length ways

Keep wrapping the balloon until you're happy with the coverage. You can keep adding the mixture to the string on balloon if it's not saturated.

When you've finished wrapping the balloon, sit the egg on a disposable cup and tray to dry for at least 24 hours. The cup and tray will collect any dripping mixture.

Halfway through the drying process, turn the egg so the bottom can dry completely.

Let's create





Once your egg has completely dried then ask a grown up to help pop the balloon inside (pop near the top of the balloon).

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If you can, pull out the deflated balloon (if not then don't force it because you can remove it later).

Next you need to make a weight to weigh down

I used a bowl to draw a circle on some fabric and cut 2 circles out. The circles needs to fit in the bottom of the egg. I put some rice in a zip lock bag, and then placed it in the centre of the circle and glued the material together to hold it. I then sewed around the edge to make sure the bag of rice was secure.

Now it's time to cut an opening in your egg. Start small, and work out what you want to put in your egg basket.

Once you're happy with the size of the opening you can add a bow at the top of the hote to hide som of the cut string.

I decided to add some battery operated lights and hid the battery pack under the rice weight. Then pu

Finally you can add your choice of fillings to your egg basket. I chose some treats and Easter decorations.

Now it's complete and you can use it as a centrepiece or as a special gift.

Thanks for a wonderful challenge Quinn!









Holiday Challenges from Children's University – with codes!



Let's experiment

Let's try a fun and easy spring experiment.

- Chop the top off some carrots.
- · Place in a shallow dish.

- Place in a shallow dish.
 Add enough water to cover the base of the carrot stump.
 Monitor the water daily and observe it grow.
 Measure the growth of the carrot and plot it on a graph daily to see how quickly it grows.
 Document the growth with images and create your own video from it.
- Repeat the experiment with the carrot in different conditions light/dark, water levels, inside a plastic bag, in the fridge etc

Can you and a friend compare notes to see how tall your carrot tops grow?

Let's move & imagine



12x Learning hour purple4761

> 1 x Learning hour orange7901

Let's try some Spring Yoga

Find a quiet space and a soft surface, like some grass or carpet. Start with some gentle stretches to prepare the body for movement. Then try these spring yoga poses:

"Tree Pose" - to represent blooming trees,

"Butterfly Pose" - to mimic a butterfly,
"Child's Pose" - to represents the seeds

and "Flower Pose" - to symbolise flowers opening up.

Create a fun story that incorporates the yoga poses and see if you can use the yoga to tell you story to



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Recent or Upcoming Birthdays:

George H 5, Henry 6, Ava M 6, Riley 6, Blue 7, William K 8, Amber 8, Elsie 8, Jack 10, Lottie 10, Adam 10, William M 11, Hal 11



Attendance year to date is: 94.34%



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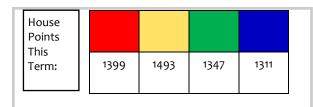
Owlets: Dougie, Violet, Edith, Theo, Bear

Snowy: Bobbie, Havana, Louellen, Josh, Esme, Harry, Harley

Barn: All for excellent engagement during Norwich visit

Eagle: All for super teamwork on Dance Show

House Points: Flora 1000, Jaydan 900, Jack 800, Adam 800



Yours faithfully,

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Alex Pritchard, Headteacher.



Friday April 4th– End of Spring Term Wednesday April 23rd– School Re-opens for Summer Term

Monday May 12th-Thursday May 15th- KS2 SATS

Thursday May 15th Year 5 Visit to Norwich School Science Day

Friday May 16th Eagle Owls Canoeing Wednesday May 21st Sports Day Saturday May 17th— May Fair Monday May 26th— Friday May 30th Half Term

Wednesday June 18th—Reserve Sports Day Tuesday July 22nd—End of Summer Term

<u>Uniform</u>

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











https://www.superstitch86.co.uk/product-category/schoolwear/primary-schools-

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.





SEND School Years 1 – 13 HAF Space

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Venues

Eaton Park

South Park Ave, Norwich, NR4 7AZ

Heigham Park

The Avenues, Norwich, NR2 3PA

CNS Tennis

Eaton Road, Norwich, NR4 6PP

Cringleford Tennis Club

Oakfields Road, Cringleford, NR4 6XF

Action packed holiday camps with team challenges, tennis skills, games and prizes.

All equipment is provided, no prior experience necessary.

9:00am - 11:30am*

*Times may vary so please check the website

8th - 11th April

From £16 per day



<u>nationaltennis.org.uk/camps/norfolk</u> hello@nationaltennis.org.uk

