Little Melton Primary School

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Newsletter
24th April 2026

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope that you all had an excellent Easter holiday.

A big well done to the children and staff of Eagle Owls for a fantastic PGL residential visit to Caythorpe in Lincolnshire. It was the first time I have joined them for the residential and I was extremely impressed with both the organisation and support for the children, and also with behaviour and attitude of the children involved. It was great to see many of them push themselves to try new challenges and I'm sure many will have significantly gained in confidence as a result. There are some pictures from the visit later in the newsletter and there will also be a video for parents of Eagle Owls available soon.

The girls in Barn Owls enjoyed their visit to Easton Sports Park this week for the annual football festival. It is great to see more and more girls enjoying playing football at school, and we have been supporting this in school for some time with our lunchtime pitch rota. Again, there are some pictures later in the newsletter.

Many thanks to all of the Friends and parents who supported with the recent school disco! It was a really fun event and the children seemed to greatly enjoy it. I know that Friends are also looking for helpers for the upcoming May Fair, so please contact the school office if you are able to help in any way.











School Disco

Sensory Garden

Over the Easter holidays, Mr McAllister, Mrs Yallop and Mrs Bushell have made amazing progress with our new sensory garden at the front of the school.



If anyone has any suitable plants to donate to help with this project, they would be gratefully received!

The kinds of plants we are looking for are explained in the link below:
https://www.rhs.org.uk/education-learning/school-gardening/resources/wellbeing/plants-for-a-sensory-garden

Mr Marshall's Holiday Club– An Update from Mr Marshall

Following on from a successful holiday club in February, I am pleased to share that I plan to run future holiday clubs at Little Melton Primary School.

Due to the strong interest, I have decided to begin the process of registering as a holiday club provider with Ofsted. This will greatly support the running of clubs, particularly in allowing provision for early years children and sessions lasting longer than three hours.

However, due to the time required for this registration process, I will unfortunately be unable to run sessions during the May half term, and it is possible that I may also be unable to operate during the summer holidays. This is because activities cannot take place at the venue while the registration is in progress.

I appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. The Little Melton Holiday Club will continue in the future, and I am hopeful that it will return in time for the October half term.

Staffing Update



Sadly, at the end of this term in July we will be saying goodbye to both Mrs Davies and Mrs Lawrence due to retirement. Both have been fantastic members of staff here for a long time and will be greatly missed by everyone.

We all obviously wish them both the very best for the future, and I'm sure they will both keep in touch with the school in the future.

We will update parents about arrangements for September, in due course.



Congratulations to Jacob in Year 5 for a fantastic performance for Wymondham Rugby Club in a recent national competition held at Leicester Tiger's Welford Road Stadium.

Jacob's team came a highly creditable second overall in a competition involving teams from all over the UK.

Well done Jacob!



Well done to Nathaniel for his recent amazing success at a swimming gala, picking up medals right across the range of strokes and distances.

Nathaniel trains very hard for his swimming on multiple occasions each week and is now amongst the very strongest swimmers in the county for his age group.

PGL residential, Lincolnshire, March 2026



































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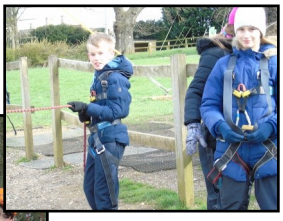


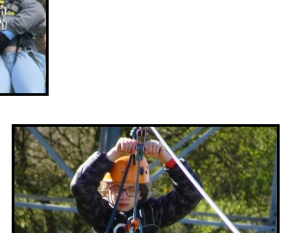




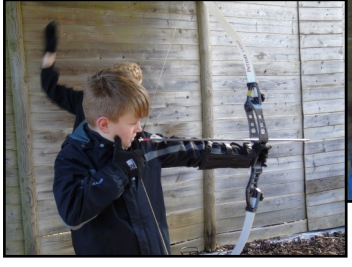





















PGL residential, Lincolnshire, March 2026

























Barn Owls girls
football festival,
















Owlets chocolate cakes

Curriculum maps—Owlets and Snowy Owls

Class: Owlets Year Group: Reception Term: Summer 1 2026

Little Melton Primary School

Specific Areas of Learning

Prime Areas of Learning

Mathematics

- Place value within 20.
- Teen numbers.
- Number bonds to 5 and 10.
- Continuing to develop the correct mathematical language.
- Continue to recognise and order numbers.
- Addition and subtraction.
- 2D and 3D shapes.
- Comparing quantities.
- Doubles and sharing
- Odd and even numbers.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Free flow choosing time within a planned Early Years Environment provides children with opportunities to develop self-confidence, their sense of self and begin to make established friendships within their class group. Children will make independent choices about their learning by carefully selecting resources both on their own and with others, which will enable them to use and apply their knowledge of the world around them, subsequently leading to a greater level of understanding. Children will converse with one another, negotiate, take turns, learn about each other's feelings, and begin to understand how their actions can affect these.

Topic Title:

Amazing Africa



Understanding the World

- Where in the world is Africa? Globe, maps, Google Earth.
- What is the continent of Africa like? Savannah's, rainforests, deserts, cities, mountains.
- Similarities/differences between Africa and UK.
- Hot and cold temperatures.
- Protecting endangered animals.
- The Maasai Tribe.

Communication & Language

- Talk Partners provide regular opportunities for children to converse, discuss and peer assess their learning.
- Free-flow choosing time promotes an expanse of communication - listening, talking, responding, and understanding.
- Daily phonics teaching, including the introduction and discussion of new vocabulary.

Physical Development

Weekly **Physical Education lessons**

Outdoor Environment - Trim trail, tyres, climbing frame/slide, large scale construction resources Little Riders and Bike Days.

Sensory/Fine Motor Skills

Developing muscle tone and hand-eye co-ordination.
Using correct pencil grip
Experience and explore different textures.
- Funky Finger sessions
- Tuft tray activities

Literacy

Fiction
- Handa's Surprise - Eileen Browne
- Handa's Hen - Eileen Browne
- Lila and the Secret of Rain - David Conway
- The Ugly Five - Julia Donaldson

Non-fiction
- Books about African animals, Atlases,

Big Writing *- sentence structure, punctuation, letter formation and size*

Phonics

Little Wandle: Phase 3 and Phase 4
Segmenting and blending CVC/CVCC/CCVC words, double letter words, longer words, revise tricky words.

Literacy ideas may include:
- Labelling England and Africa on a map.
- Labelling landmarks on a map of Africa.
- Poster about endangered animals
- Describing an African animal.

Expressive Arts & Design

- Collage the flags of Africa using different shapes.
- Hot and cold colours.
- African animal handprints.
- Endangered animals' poster.
- Paper plate Maasai necklaces.
- Tasting fruit from Handa's surprise.
- Safari themed activities.

Class: Snowy Year Group: 1/2 Term: Summer 1 2026 Cycle: B

Little Melton Primary School

Mathematics: (White Rose scheme)

Y1:
Week 1-3 - Multiplication and division (2s, 5s and 10s)
Week 4-5 - Fractions
Week 6 - Consolidation and review

Y2:
1 and 2: measurement: length and height
3 and 4: position and direction
5 and 6: Reasoning, problem solving and assessment

Relationships and Health Education:

One World - looking after each other and the planet.

Computing:
Creating Media
Doodle Art (Ipad App), Geoboard (IPad App), Purple Mash 2draw (Y2)

Key Themes: Drawing, creating effects, painting and sketching, fill, copy

Assembly Themes & Special Days:
(see assembly timetable)

R.E:
What does it mean to be a Christian today?

Real-life Maths:
Measuring time during science experiments

Geography:
Physical geography - vocabulary and location of oceans, seas and rivers

Topic Title:

Blue Planet



Science:
Floating and sinking experiments
Sea creatures - identification, classification and adaptation

D.T
Explore sculpting techniques
Design, sculpt and paint a sea creature from clay

History
The Titanic - what happened?

Art:
Using paint to achieve different effects.

Observational drawing of sea creatures

Music:
Charanga: Round and Round
(Latin, Bossa Nova, Film and Jazz

P.E.
Athletics/ Maypole dancing

English:

Fiction – 3rd person narrative Adventure/journey story
"The Snail and the Whale" by Julia Donaldson
(Grammar - sentence types, past tense, adjectives and similes)
Postcard writing

Non-fiction – Information writing
'Big Book of the Blue' (Zommer)
(Grammar - present tense, sentence types, verbs)
Fact file writing

Poetry - Riddles
Write 'What am I?' sea creature poems
Grammar - question marks, sentence types)

Big Writing Genres: (as above)
Descriptive writing, recounts, creative writing.

Beautiful work
Writing for external audience

Curriculum maps—Barn Owls and Eagle Owls

Class: **Barn Owls** Year Group: **3/4** Term: **Summer 1** Cycle: **B**

Mathematics:

Areas to be covered:

- Revision of written methods of multiplication and division.
- Fractions and Decimals – tenths and hundredths, multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100.
- 2d and 3d shape – describe, name and sort using properties.
- Position and direction – describing positions and movements on a grid.
- Big Maths strategies
- Daily Times Tables - By the end of Year 4, the national expectation is that children should know all of their times-tables facts up to 12 x 12.

THE POWER OF MONARCHS
Henry VIII

- Beginning of the Tudor Monarchs – War of the Roses
- Henry VIII and the break from Rome
- The symbol of the Tudor Rose
- Tudor portraits
- Tudor family tree - monarchs
- Henry VIII and his 6 wives
- Henry VIII the monarch – personality, key events …
- Everyday life – food, houses, clothing…

English:

1. Stories in magical worlds
Texts: Leon and the Place Between by Angela McAllister and The Magic Box by Kit Wright
Grammar: Powerful description using adjectives, verbs and adverbs,
Punctuation: correctly punctuating sentences in paragraphs

2. Performance poetry
Texts: Variety of different poems to perform focusing on Brian Moses and Michael Rosen.
Grammar: Similes, metaphors – creating imagery
Punctuation: ellipsis, commas

Spelling: Weekly spellings focusing on patterns and rules.
Reading: Accelerated reading and quizzes
Handwriting – Daily sessions

Science

States of Matter

- compare and group materials together - solids, liquids or gases.
- observe and measure that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled
- evaporation and condensation.
- the water cycle.

RE
What does it mean to be a pilgrim?

P.E.
May Pole dancing
Athletics

French
Au café – ordering café food

Computing
Interactive Books using Book Creator

Music
Charanga – 'The Show Must Go On'
How does music connect to the environment?

Beautiful Work for display

Writing for an external audience

EAGLE OWLS
YEAR B
Su1/2 2026



Maths:
Including:
Long multiplication/Division
Fractions
Roman Numerals
Addition and Subtraction standard written methods
% Ratio and Proportion
Algebra
Circumference
Diameter
REVISION

English: Big Write
The Wolves Of Willoughby Chase
Greek Mythology
SP&G
Descriptive writing
Instructional writing
Wide range of sentence types
Punctuation
Technical understanding
Purple mash spellings

Science:
All Living Things

Art/DT:
T-Shirt Designs
Eagle Owl Bake Off

PE:
Swimming
Tennis

Languages:
French

Music:
Leavers Play

Computing/PSHE:Topic: The Olympics and Ancient Greece Tools: Chromebooks Key Themes : Slides/Docs Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly: recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour. Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked and be discerning in evaluation digital content. RESEARCH Ancient Greece and the Olympics

RE: Topic: Buddhism- What do Buddhists believe? Key Ideas: Origins, geography, core beliefs, life of the Buddha, similarities and differences, Buddhism in UK- special places , festivals and celebrations

Humanities:
Ancient Greece

Knowledge Organiser Quizzes– Summer Term

Snowy Owls: Blue Planet

https://forms.gle/zBf8yXunJiVDJg2Z7



Barn Owls: Power of Monarchs

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Eagle Owls: Ancient Greece

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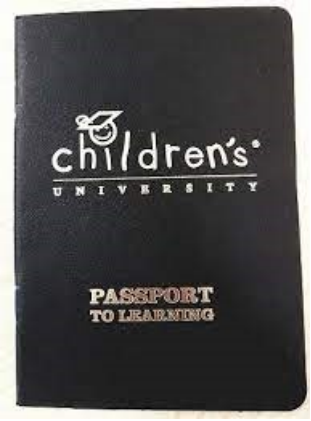
Prizes awarded for successful answers in first week after half-term holiday.

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

Last date for pre-graduation points is July 5th

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:

<u>Support with emotional wellbeing.</u>

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:

http://www.littlemeltonprimaryschool.co.uk/school-information/support-with-emotional-wellbeing/



Recent or Upcoming Birthdays:

Max 5, Alice 5, Henry 7, Ava 7,
William 9, Jack 11

ATTENDANCE MATTERS
every school day counts.

Attendance year to date is: 95.3%



(L Love of Learning, M Make it Your Best , P Persevere S Skills for Life)

Owlets: Rupert, Bella, Max, Jake, Jaxon (S)

Snowy: George W, Bear, Rose, May (L), Ava, Hazel, Harry, Wilf Isla (M)

Barn: Easter Challenges: Clara, Paisley, Scarlett, Freddie, Thomas, Evie, Sienna, Ava, Beth, William, Elsie, Josh, Amber, Lenny, Jacob P, Elliot I, Taylor (L)

Eagle: Excellent Dance Show and PGL!

Housepoints: Flora 1400, Ollie 1300, Hannah 1000, Jacob 800, Ollie W 700, Amelia 700

House-points		2024-25		
This Term:	223	247	217	234

Yours faithfully,

Alex Pritchard, Headteacher.



Tuesday April 28th– Little Riders starts
Friday May 1st– Year 4 Obstacle Challenge
Wednesday May 6th & **Friday May 8th** Parents Evenings (Eagle Owls)
Friday May 8th Mindfulness Day
Wednesday May 20th– Sports Day
Friday May 22nd– Barn Owls Strangers Hall
Monday May 25th-Friday May 29th– Half Term
Friday June 5th– Year 5/6 Cricket Competition
Tuesday June 16th– Money Matters Day
Wednesday June 24th—Reserve Sports Day
Thursday July 9th– Barn Owls Gressenhall
Tuesday 14th July– Den Day
Wednesday 15th July– Leavers Performance (6pm) @ Hethersett Village Hall
Thursday 16th July– Reserve Den Day
Friday 17th July– Last Day of Academic Year

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/

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.

The Norwich Brick Festival is building up once again on 17th May, and this could be the most exciting LEGO fan event ever created!

Every Brick Festival event is filled with LEGO themed fun as families, collectors, adult builders, and every kind of LEGO fan come together for a day of brick-filled bliss!

Wondering what goes on inside a Brick Festival event? Well, we throw away the instruction books as Norwich Brick Festival brings ALL NEW LEGO activities such as our adrenaline inducing speed building competitions, Master Builder led build challenges, scavenger hunts, a dedicated building area, gaming zones, LEGO RC car zone, and so much more. This event is a LEGO lover's dream come true!

Browse through a totally updated selection of trader tables selling a huge range of loose bricks, brand new or rare & retired LEGO sets, minifigures, accessories and all other LEGO themed items you could imagine – it's the ultimate treasure trove for LEGO enthusiasts and collectors alike! There really will be something available for everyone, with every budget in mind too.

But that's not all – Norwich Brick Festival showcases a brand new, unique selection of LEGO displays crafted by master LEGO builders from across the country! Get up close and personal, chat with these LEGO artists about their latest projects, snag some insider tips, and leave brimming with inspiration!

Book your tickets now to secure your preferred entry time at this brick-filled day, as timeslots regularly sell out! Early Bird tickets fly off the shelves, so make sure to snap these up before they all go! These give you an extra hour of LEGO fun inside the show (from 10am) and a FREE LEGO gift upon entry too!

Whether you're a die-hard collector or a casual LEGO fan, the NorwichBrick Festival at **SportsPark** is the place to be. Secure your entry tickets online now – adults from £8, children from £6, and there's even an extra value family ticket available for just £20 too!

Don't miss the chance to be a part of this awesome LEGO celebration! Grab your tickets and get ready for a day filled with LEGO building, creativity, and brick-stacking fun!

Book now at www.NorwichBrickFestival.com

Save the date: 17th May
Where: SportsPark
Find out more – www.BrickFestivalEvents.com



LEGO Display.



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Tuesday 21st April
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THURSDAY 28TH MAY 2026

What to Expect:

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