



Mrs Sellar's Brownlow Bulletin 27.03.26



Dear Families,

This term has flown by, and Spring is most definitely in the air! I always love this time of year as the days grow longer, the light feels brighter, and nature begins to blossom all around us.

In true Spring spirit, our youngest children have been out exploring the wonders of the farm. Our Reception pupils enjoyed a fantastic visit to Stonehurst Farm, where they learned about new life and met the newborn lambs, calves, piglets and chicks. 🐣

I also had the pleasure of joining some of our Y1/2 children on their trip to Barnes Farm in Somerby last week. The children discovered the importance of healthy soil, learned about dairy cows, and even found out how their milk becomes the delicious Stilton cheese we know so well. Yum! I must admit, though—I wasn't quite as enthusiastic about holding the worms!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish you all a restful, joyful Easter break.

Mrs Sellars



Mrs Hazeldine Retires!

After more than 26 years of exceptional service, we say a fond and heartfelt farewell to Mrs Hazeldine as she begins her well-deserved retirement.

On behalf of the entire Brownlow community, we extend our deepest thanks for her unwavering commitment, kindness, and positivity. Her legacy of dedication and care has shaped the lives of countless children and families, and her influence will continue to shine throughout our school for many years to come.

As she steps into this exciting new chapter, Sally already has three holidays planned and is very much looking forward to a gentler pace of life, new hobbies, and cherishing extra time with her grandchildren.

We wish her every happiness in the adventures ahead.



Changes in the office

We are going to be welcoming Mrs Renu temporarily to the office admin team. Please be kind as Mrs Renu learns her way around our systems and gets to know our families.

We kindly ask that you do not contact the office between 9-10am unless absolutely urgent. This is our busiest time of day. You can report pupil absence through the MCAS app or leave a voicemail. You can message us via email admin@brownlowprimary.org

School Council - Easter Egg Competition

Brownlow children have been showcasing their creativity thanks to our fantastic School Council team, who organised and judged a brilliant Easter Egg Competition. The entries were so impressive that the judges had an incredibly tough job choosing the winners! The event raised £72 — a wonderful achievement. Congratulations to everyone who took part. Your ideas were truly egg-cellent! 🐰



Melton Mowbray
Rotary
Club



Several of our wonderful children took part in the Melton Rotary Club Young Writers Competition, where they were challenged to create a poem inspired by nature. We are incredibly proud of their creativity and achievement and delighted to celebrate our talented Rotary Club writers.

Esmae (Year 6) – Winner

Susanna (Year 5) – Runner up

Lexi (Year 4) – Highly Recommended

Alfie (Year 3) – Highly Recommended





In history, Year 3 and 4 children have enjoyed finding out about the Vikings and answering the big question, 'Were all Vikings bloodthirsty warriors?' At the start of this history work, the children enjoyed taking part in a fabulous Viking day with outside visitors 'Up an at Em' visiting group! During the day the children found out about Viking weapons, fighting techniques and explored life in a Viking village. They also found out about Viking longships and how they travelled, traded, conquered and invaded many lands. A great day was had by all.

Melton Trumpton

The volunteers from our Brownlow wellbeing hub, attended the Trumpton presentation evening last Friday. We were donated £300 towards our food hub which will help so many of our families and our local community. A huge thank you to Trumpton and to our amazing volunteers. Happy Easter all from Mrs Bunting x



Thank you FOB and Melton Trumpton

Also at the Melton Trumpton presentation, our amazing FOB received an ipad! This ipad will go into classrooms to enhance learning. Thank you!





Brownlow Staff on Tour to The West End

Last Saturday, several members of our staff had the wonderful opportunity to travel to London's West End to watch our very own Stevie Hare perform as *Jonathon Brown* in *Paddington the Musical*. It was an absolute privilege to see Stevie shining on stage, doing what he loves. I must confess—I was so excited I couldn't help but let out a little celebratory whoop!

What makes Stevie's achievement particularly inspiring is not only his tremendous talent, but also his remarkable resilience. Living with type 1 diabetes, Stevie demonstrates every day that a diagnosis should never stand in the way of your dreams. His attitude is a powerful reminder to us all that determination and positivity can open doors to incredible possibilities.

The experience also highlighted the vital role of family. Stevie's success is supported by unwavering encouragement—and at times, sacrifice—from those closest to him. Their commitment to helping him pursue his dreams is truly moving.

After the show, we visited the stage door to meet members of the cast. James Hameed, the voice of Paddington and the lead puppeteer, shared that while they adore all the children, Stevie is their beloved. It was a touching and extremely proud moment.



Sporting Achievements

Brownlow is certainly making its mark on the sporting map this year! Our teams have excelled across a range of competitions, becoming Melton area winners and earning places in the County Finals.

County Gymnastics – 2nd place

County Athletics – 3rd place

County Dodgeball – 3rd place

And, as I write this, our children are representing Brownlow at the County Basketball Finals. We have everything crossed for another fantastic result — but whatever the outcome, we are incredibly proud of their teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship.

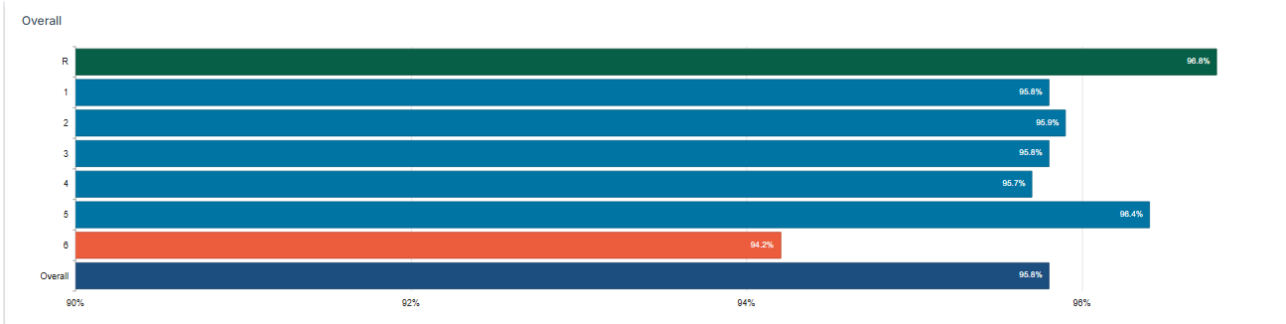


Attendance Matters

Our whole-school attendance target is 96%, and every day in school truly makes a difference. When children attend regularly, they build stronger friendships, feel a greater sense of belonging, and benefit from better wellbeing and improved long-term learning outcomes.

Missing just 10 days of school (95% attendance) can significantly impact a child's progress and their ability to reach their full academic potential. Children with persistent absence—attendance below 90%—miss vital learning time, putting them at much higher risk of falling behind.

A huge well done to our Reception and Year 5 pupils, who are leading the way with fantastic attendance this term! 🙌



Attendance Ladder





2025-2026 AUTUMN DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please find below dates for this term. The information will be updated and added to the bulletin and placed on Dojo.

Date	Event
26th March	EYFS Stonehurst Farm Trip
27th March	FOB Cake Raffle
30th March – 10th April	EASTER – School Closed
13th April	Children return to school
20th & 27th April	EYFS Balance Bikes
29th April	Innovate Food Tasting Event
1st May	Colour Dash
4th May	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
5th May	EYFS Balance Bikes
11th - 14th May	KS2 SATs
18th – 22nd May	Dance for Diabetes
21st May	Census Day
25th -29th	HALF TERM – School Closed
1st – 5th June	Y4 Multiplication Check
12th June	FOB Disco
16th June	Drumming Assembly
22nd June	Y3/4 Outdoor Pursuits Centre Visit
22nd – 26th June	Y6 Residential
29th – 30th June	Transition Days for Y6 pupils to JFC & Longfield
1st July	Sports Day
3rd July	End of Year Reports to Parents EYFS-Y5
7th July	Brownlow Musical Extravaganza
8th July	End of Year Reports for Y6
9th July	Last day of the Summer Term FOB Cake Raffle
10th July	INSET – School Closed
13th July – 21st August	SUMMER HOLIDAY – School Closed
24th & 25th	INSET – School Closed
26th August	Children return to school