



# Little Gaddesden C.E. Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs C. Geoghegan

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8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear parents,

## Letters Sent Home this Week

Class 3 - Swimming Letter (given to children today)

## DENS

This Christmas, we are supporting DENS. Next Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, there will be a collection of Christmas food and other items and we are encouraging the children to bring in:-

Tins/boxes of sweets	10p carrier bags
Biscuits	Toilet rolls
Tinned Vegetables	Washing powder
Long life fruit juice	C5 non-window envelopes
Long life milk	A4 laminating pouches
Christmas/sponge puddings	Sellotape

**Please note, all products must have a best before date of 2019 onwards.**

## Staff News

- For those of you that have not already noticed, we are very happy to report that Mrs Brignall is expecting her third child in April.
- We are sure that the children in Class 2 have missed Miss Allen who has been off following an operation, we can let you know that she is doing very well and will be back at school shortly.
- Some of you may be aware that Lynne Moore plans to retire at Christmas. We have been lucky enough to find a replacement very quickly and Lynne has agreed to stay until the end of January to ensure a smooth transition.

## Class 4 - Isle of Wight

The second instalment of £60.00 was due on November 14<sup>th</sup>, if you haven't already done so, please ensure you send your payment and card into the school office by the end of next week (22<sup>nd</sup> November).

## Autumn Term Recorder Payments

If you have not yet paid for recorder tuition this term, please ensure this is paid into the school office no later than Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

### **School Family Worker**

If you are a parent or carer and would like to come and meet our School Family Worker Lisa MacGovern, she will be holding a coffee afternoon at Little Gaddesden School on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 2.30pm in the staff room. Please let the school know by Wednesday, if you would like to attend.

### **Head Lice**

Unfortunately, we have had a few reports of head lice - can we please remind all parents to check their child's head regularly and if necessary, treat immediately.

### **Class 1 & 2 - The Living Nativity, Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

This year class 1 and 2, will be going to the Living Nativity Event at London Zoo. Full details will be sent home with children on Monday.

### **Class 4 - Awful Auntie - Bloomsbury Theatre, 14<sup>th</sup> December**

This year Class 4 will be visiting Bloomsbury Theatre. Full details will be sent home with children on Monday.

### **Class 3 - Watford Palace Theatre, 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Class 3 will be seeing "Jack & the Beanstalk" at Watford Palace Theatre and full details will be sent home with children on Monday.

### **Items Stolen from Car**

Unfortunately, during a hands-on session in Class 1 on Wednesday, a car belonging to one of our parents was broken into and various items stolen. Can we please remind you to ensure your cars are locked at all times and remove anything of value, especially at this very busy festive time.

### **Message from The Friends**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December - 12.00-2.30pm - PLEASE BOOK THE DATE**

To make this event a success we need your help!!

**Volunteers:** We are looking for volunteers to help set up after school on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November (Mrs Geoghegan has kindly agreed to supervise the children over a DVD), to man a stall on Saturday (time slots 12.00-1.15 or 1.15-2.30pm) and to clear away afterwards from 2.30pm onwards. Please let your Year Rep. or Heather Pearce ([heather@sixears.co.uk](mailto:heather@sixears.co.uk); 07517 092556) know if you can help.

**Silent Auction :** If you or someone you know can provide a prize for our silent auction, please let Helen Emms ([helen@helenkemms.com](mailto:helen@helenkemms.com); 07904 843738, Heather Pearce or your Year Rep. know.

**Raffle Ticket Sales:** Please return ticket stubs and monies or unused tickets to school asap. More tickets available from the school office.

**Non-Uniform Day:** We will be holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**. Children may come to school in their choice of non-school clothes (please remember they will be going outside so sensible footwear and avoid party wear), in exchange for a donation for the Christmas luxury hamper prize/adults or kids tombola's.

Suggestions by year group are as follows:-

Reception - Christmas preserves, shortbread, chutney's and savouries such as Crackers and cheesy biscuits.

Years 1, 3 & 5- A bottle of alcohol or speciality non-alcoholic beverage.

Years 2, 4 & 6- Chocolates or sweets, speciality Christmas biscuits/shortbread, Christmas puddings or Yule logs. (Please check use-by date and **NO NUTS** please.)

We will be collecting gifts for our tombolas and we would love to have any unwanted gifts, bottles, good quality new or nearly new and complete games and toys, clean jars filled with sweets.

We will be collecting in the playground before and after school from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Charis Geoghegan  
Headteacher