



# Little Gaddesden C.E. Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs C. Geoghegan

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Dear Parents,

I know you will be excited to know the School has won the National Governance Award for Vision and Strategy. This is a tremendous achievement and a reflection on our very special vision written by Briony Sutcliffe, our Chair of Governors with parents, staff, governors and children, (which is on our website). It is also a recognition that this vision guides us all. Ten governors and staff have been invited to the House of Commons to receive this award. However, it is really an award for all the community and we hope to celebrate together on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Everyone is invited to join us at 3.00pm for tea. We look forward to seeing you then.

## **Letters Home this week**

Golden Mile Running Club

Year 6 SATs Breakfast

## **Golden Mile**

A letter went out earlier this week inviting all children to take part in the Golden Mile Running Club on a Wednesday and Friday morning before school. Children taking part need to be dropped off at the side gate between 8.20-8.25am. Latecomers will not be admitted. The club will start tomorrow, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. (The letter is also attached to the newsletter)

## **Safety**

We thought you may be interested in the summer Online Safety newsletter from Herts for Learning which is attached.

## **Measles outbreaks**

We have received a letter from Public Health informing us that a number of children locally have been diagnosed with measles. They are encouraging parents to ensure all children are immunised and to consult a doctor if your child is unwell and you think it could be measles. In this case you should ring the doctor before visiting so they can make sure the disease isn't passed to others.

## **Dinner Money Payments**

Please can we remind all parents that dinner money is due by next Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> May. Online payment via a School Gateway account is our preferred method of payment. Details of how to set up an account were included in the letter about dinner money owed. Please ask in the Office if you have any questions.

### **Break-time snacks**

Please can we remind all parents that if your child is bringing in a snack for break-time it should be fruit only. Thank-you.

### **Diary Dates**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** - INSET day followed by half-term, returning to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June** - Music Evening in school (more details to follow)

### **Class 4 Blog**

Please click here to view the amazing achievements of pupils in class last week and find out who this week's stars are: <http://littlegaddesden.edublogs.org/>

### **A message from The Friends**

The final Friends meeting of this School year will be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at the Bridgewater Arms at 8pm. It would be great if you could make it for a drink and chat. We will be discussing arrangements for the Summer Fete and the remaining Friends events for the term - school disco, sports day etc.

A final reminder that the Gaddesden Gallop will be taking place this Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am.

Please see a message from Friends below regarding more information about the Summer Fete.

Yours sincerely

Charis Geoghegan  
Headteacher

## **Summer Fete and Go-Cart racing - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June - 12.00-2.30**

This year's summer fete - the long-awaited 'Wild West' theme, is fast approaching.

### **Go-Cart Racing**

Entries for the Go-Cart race need to be in before the half-term break.

To enter a cart you will need to design and build it in the theme of The Wild West - think cowboys, saloons, horses and carts! The details for entry are attached to the newsletter. It will be a fun, fab day for all the family with races for all ages. Class 2 are already practising their line dancing skills ready for the big event.

### **BBQ**

In the coming weeks we will be looking for volunteers to manage stands throughout the day. In the first instance though, we are looking for a couple of people to lead on the BBQ. We have the equipment and will source the meat, so it is essentially someone who is BBQ competent to manage the cooking (there will be a team of helpers so you won't have to do it all). If you are interested, please either let your class rep or one of the committee members know.

### **Advertising**

If you have a local business and are interested in advertising in the Summer Fete brochure, please email Helen at [helen@helenkemms.com](mailto:helen@helenkemms.com)

### **Silent Auction**

We are looking to run a Silent Auction at the fete so if you know anyone who might like to make a donation (and get free advertising in our brochure), please let Helen or one of the other committee members know.

If anyone has any USA style bunting or banners, we would love to use them on the day. Also, if anyone would be interested in making a 'Saloon' sign for the bar, please let us know.