



# Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

Newsletter 14th July 2022

## Coming up...

Friday 15th July - Take One Picture exhibition 2.45pm in the hall (details below)

Tuesday 19th July - Choir performance for Choir parents - 3.45pm

Leavers Service - Church at approximately 9.30am

Wednesday 20th July - Last day of term - school ends at 1:30pm.

Dear parents / carers,

Here's hoping you've all enjoyed the beautiful, if a little too sultry, weather this week! We all had a fabulous Sports Day yesterday and a marvellous Victorian evening on Tuesday, performed by our oldest children.



**Class 1** - have been beside the seaside! We had a wonderful time at Mrs Cox's house in her pool and we've very much enjoyed exploring the story of The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch.



**Class 2** - created a sea soundscape in music and in maths we have been exploring place value, getting ready for next year!

**Class 3** - have been translating polygons and understanding grid rotations.

**Class 4** - enjoyed an afternoon in the courtroom this week! We had two magistrates who presented a criminal trial which resulted in the defendant being convicted of stealing an old lady's handbag! He was given a community order, with 100 hours of unpaid work (in the hope that this would put an end to his offending). The children took the parts of the three magistrates, two lawyers, a defendant, a police officer and two other witnesses.



### **Take One Picture Exhibition**

We are so proud of the wonderful work the children have produced as part of the National Gallery's Take One Picture project and would love you to come and view their work this Friday afternoon. We will open the gates at 2.45pm and you will be able to go into the hall to see the exhibition. After viewing the work please wait in the playground to collect your children as usual.

### **Class 1**

If you would like your child's Tapestry learning journal electronically ( it is far too large to print out) please send in a memory stick FAO Mrs Patterson before the end of term. The memory stick will need to be at least 64gb.

### **Class 1 Guinea pigs- Biscuit and Funky**

Thank you very much to Molly and Ameya for offering to look after our beautiful boys over the Summer. This means we are covered for the first couple of weeks of the holiday.

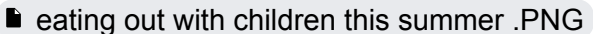
If anyone else can help out with looking after them for a week during the holidays, please get in touch with the office or any of the Class 1 staff. They are no trouble. We (and they) would be very grateful!

### **Next week**

It looks as though we are in for some extreme temperatures next week. Please send your children to school in either their summer dress or PE kit, whichever they find cooler. Apply sunscreen and send in extra water with a sunhat. We will endeavour to keep them inside or in the shade.

It would also be really helpful for them to have a named carrier bag in school to collect any work that they can then bring home. Thank you.

### **Local support for families**

Look out for the many stores and supermarkets are offering deals for families this summer eating out with children this summer  eating out with children this summer .PNG

### **Keyboard for Piano Lessons**

Our Keyboard/Digital Piano has been a wonderful asset to the children taking piano lessons in school and provides a necessary alternative when the piano in the school hall is not accessible due to class activities. It is, however, in need of replacement. Before we look at purchasing a new keyboard, we thought it would be sensible to check whether there are any keyboards available within the community that could be donated to the school, as they are no longer being used. If you have a keyboard to donate, the specifications are as follows. Please email the school office if you can help.

Minimum 72 Keys (preferably 87)

Touch Sensitive Keys (Louds & Softs)

Fully Weighted or Semi-weighted Keys

Pedal Attachment

### **Playground update**

We are in the process of receiving quotes and gathering ideas and information from different companies with regards to the new playground equipment. As you will appreciate, we have to obtain several competitive quotes. This will be finalised and ready for sharing in the new term.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Lorraine Patterson and Amy Miles  
Acting Headteachers

Attached:

- Moving On Open Events 2023.pdf
- eating out with children this summer .PNG

## Golden Mile Running Club Statics for the Year

Class 1 (Started in April)			Top 25 Leader board		
Class Runner Average 11.02 Miles	Laps completed 1242	Class total 154.34 Miles	1.	Oscar Mo	138.44 Miles
We've had 13 runners out of 17			2.	Kit	134.21 Miles
Class 2			3.	Will	118.06 Miles
Class Runner Average 57.84 Miles	Laps completed 9309	Class total 1156.86 Miles	4.	Sophia	104.51 Miles
We've had 20 runners out of 30			5.	George	87.98 Miles
Class 3			6.	Ollie	76.55 Miles
Class Runner Average 24.83 Miles	Laps completed 3597	Class total 447.01 Miles	7.	Arthur	68.84 Miles
We've had 18 runners out of 26			8.	Zach	68.72 Miles
Class 4			9.	Finlay	64.24 Miles
Class Runner Average 16.00 Miles	Laps completed 1159	Class total 144.03 Miles	10.	Beau	63.37 Miles
We've had 11 runners out of 22			11.	Willow	62.38 Miles
School Total			12.	Lola	60.14 Miles
Runners Average 27.42 Miles	Laps completed 15307	Total Miles completed 1902.24	13.	Simona	55.42 Miles
We've had 62 runners out of 95			14.	Lexie	48.71 Miles
			15.	Nate	47.47 Miles
			16.	Molly	46.10 Miles
			17.	Olivia	45.73 Miles
			18.	Jake	40.51 Miles
			19.	Gracie	38.52 Miles
			20.	Alice	37.40 Miles
			21.	Charlie	36.78 Miles
			22.	Ben	28.83 Miles
			23.	Anya	26.47 Miles
			24.	Ellie	25.72 Miles
			25.	Isla	23.86 Miles

Top 5 Class 1		Top 5 Class 2		Best in each year		
Ben	28.83 Miles	Oscar Mo	138.44 Miles	Reception	Boy	Ben 28.83 Miles
Barney	22.61 Miles	Kit	134.21 Miles	Reception	Girl	Chloe 22.24 Miles
Chloe	22.24 Miles	Sophia	104.51 Miles	Year 1	Boy	Oscar Mo 138.44 Miles
Gus	16.52 Miles	George	87.98 Miles	Year 1	Girl	Willow 62.38 Miles
Harry	14.16 Miles	Ollie	76.55 Miles	Year 2	Boy	Kit 134.21 Miles
Top 5 Class 3		Top 5 Class 4		Year 2	Girl	Sophia 104.51 Miles
Will	118.06 Miles	Jake T	40.51 Miles	Year 3	Boy	Will 118.06 Miles
Arthur	68.84 Miles	Anya R	26.47 Miles	Year 3	Girl	Simona 55.42 Miles
Simona	55.42 Miles	Bea C	22.25 Miles	Year 4	Boy	Harvey 18.64 Miles
Isla	23.86 Miles	Charlie R	17.15 Miles	Year 4	Girl	Daisy 9.56 Miles
Sofia	21.37 Miles	Kitty R	15.91 Miles	Year 5	Boy	Gethin 1.86 Miles
				Year 5	Girl	Anya 26.47 Miles
				Year 6	Boy	Jake 40.51 Miles
				Year 6	Girl	Kitty 15.90 Miles

## **From the Friends of Little Gaddesden School**

*Wow what another fabulous year of events and fundraising we have achieved!*

*This is Dani, Hannah & Claire B's final newsletter. We all want to say the biggest thank you to everyone. Without your help and support through these fundraising events, we would be unable to raise the incredible amounts that we do, which all go to the school to give our children the best facilities, trips and experiences.*

*Dani, Hannah & Claire B have had such an amazing and fun 3 years, raising over £100,000(!!! 🤝), working alongside all of you and the school.*

*We wish our new FOLGS team, Will, Stitchy & Claire N every success for their future fundraising, and we know that you will continue the incredible support you have shown us with them.*

*We look forward to seeing you at our final meeting this evening from 8pm at the cricket pavilion where we will hear from Claire N, along with Will and Simon on their plans for next year.*

*We wish you all a very happy summer holidays.*

*Many thanks as always  
Dani, Hannah, Claire B & Claire N*

*Please note below a statement from the FOLGS committee and TheClub (London) Ltd.*

*In organising the Spring Ball 2022, the FOLGS were informed that TheClub (London) Ltd (with whom the FOLGS had contracted for the Leap Year Ball 2020 and who in turn contracted with the venue) had not settled its invoice with the venue. The FOLGS had needed to communicate this to certain people involved in organising the Leap Year Ball 2020 and the Spring Ball 2022.*

*The FOLGS have since been informed by Emma Joy, a director of TheClub (London) Ltd, that the invoice to TheClub (London) Ltd had in fact been settled in a timely manner in 2020. Unfortunately it has not been possible to independently verify this statement, which of course contradicts the information given to the FOLGS. However, the FOLGS have decided that in order to draw a conclusion to this matter, Emma's word will be accepted.*

*The FOLGS have also been made aware by Emma that there have been rumours locally that TheClub (London) Ltd had not settled its invoice and the FOLGS feel it is important to relay the above message from Emma. While the FOLGS have communicated only what they were told, we would like to apologise if doing so has led to any misunderstandings.*

Bike races, so bring bikes & helmets please. Proceeds from the bar & bbq run by the the FOLGS



**The Gaddesden Society**

Founded 1945



**Annual Village Sports Day**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September  
on the Sports Field**

Bar, barbeque and refreshments from 1:00pm

Tea and cakes sold in aid of  
Rennie Grove Hospice Care

Races start promptly at 1:45pm

**All welcome – races for all ages!**