



# LITTLE GADDESDEN C. of E. PRIMARY SCHOOL Church Road Little Gaddesden Hertfordshire HP4 1NX

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Dear Parents,

#### County Adviser Visit

Every year we have a visit from our Hertfordshire Adviser who grades us against the Ofsted criteria. On Tuesday, we had our yearly visit and she graded us as "outstanding" in all areas. This is of course, due to the hard work and dedication of staff and governors but also a reflection on our hard working children.

As a thank you to the children, we have invited a special guest (an African storyteller) to visit on Wednesday  $18^{th}$  March. There will be no cost to the children as the school is paying for this. Please do make sure that the children know that we have arranged this in recognition of their hard work.

#### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you for supporting our Book Fair last week. We are delighted to inform you that the school has been awarded £196 in commission, to spend on books for the school.

## World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

The children looked fantastic in their outfits and had a very enjoyable day. Can we please just remind you that we are supporting "Book Aid" and we have encouraged the children to bring £1 to buy books for children less fortunate. We have decided to send the money with Rebekah Henderson (Class 3 Teaching Assistant) when she goes to Uganda in April and would be grateful for a £1 donation per child.

## Parent Consultations - 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Please fill in your first and second choice on the attached class sheets, and return to the office.

### Asssembly - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March

We will be talking to parents at 08.40am on Wednesday  $11^{th}$  March about the National Curriculum 2015. This will be followed by a Mothering Sunday assembly at 9.00a.m. and we hope that you will be able to attend.

#### Sporting News

#### - Football

Our congratulations to our year 6 team, who drew 4:4 against Gaddesden Row yesterday

#### - Tring School Hockey Festival - Years 1 -6

We have been invited to a Hockey Festival on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at Tring School. Details were sent via Parentmail yesterday but we have attached another copy for anyone who did not receive it.

#### Rugby - Year 6

- After three weeks of training with Saracens Rugby Club in our PE lessons, we took a team of year 6 children to a tag-rugby tournament last week. The children played extremely well and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, despite the atrocious weather.
- Monday Just to remind you there is no football training after school Monday for those children not in the football match.

#### Street Dance - Apex Dance

All the clubs for next term are now online and are available to book. Any places booked before  $31^{\text{st}}$  March, will receive an "early-bird" discount . Book at <a href="https://www.apexdance.co.uk">www.apexdance.co.uk</a>. If any year 5/6 children wish to attend Streetdance, please reduce the amount you pay by £3.50 as you will be at the Isle of Wight on  $17^{\text{th}}$  June.

## "Message from The Friends"

# Ladies Cheese & Wine Tasting - Friday, 13th March

We are really looking forward to this event next Friday and still have a couple of spaces available. If anyone else is interested or would like to bring a friend, please see Anna Stevenson for details.

# Family Bingo - Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

We are now selling tickets for our inaugural Bingo event! Tickets are £5 each and available from Anna-Lou Lancaster (Josh's mum). Please do encourage all the family along as it should be a fun and enjoyable afternoon.

## Quiz Night - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Get your thinking caps on and teams organised! The annual Friends Quiz Night is on Saturday  $9^{th}$  May in the Village Hall. Further details will be in Parentmail nearer the time but it's time to start planning your teams and swotting up!

Please also remember to register and use Easyfundraising for all your online purchases, simply register and continue shopping by clicking on the link <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk">www.easyfundraising.org.uk</a>. It is the easiest way to raise money for the school at no extra cost or effort.

Yours sincerely

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