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Dear Parents,

Harvest

Following our Harvest Service, class 2 delivered harvest parcels to Bede Court and the remainder of the gifts went to DEN's.

Maths Workshop

Little Gaddesden was one of three schools chosen to host a Motivational Maths day. On Tuesday, 47 visitors from other local schools and six of our year 5/6 children, were involved in this excellent day.

Updated Home-School Agreement and Consent Forms

These were handed out at the parent consultations. Please complete and return to the school office by the end of next week. If you have not received one, please let us know and we will send one home with your child.

Class 3 - Maths

If you wish to know more about the way maths is taught in lower Key Stage 2, please remain behind after the class assembly on Friday 24th October, when Mrs Cotton will go through some of the methods we use etc.

Skip 2BFit

We are pleased to announce that the winners of the Skit 2BFit are Phoebe Trippett and Mrs Rennie.

The Big Draw

Tuesday 4th - Thursday 6th November.

We will have a special Arts Week with lots of opportunities to try something different and work with a range of visitors. We will be asking children to come into school in old clothes on Tuesday to Thursday. We are asking for a contribution of £3.00 to cover extra resources and Plastazote, who will be visiting us on Wednesday.

We would also like to invite you all to share in the children's work on Friday 7th November at 3.00pm.

Inter-village Football Match vs Markyate

Congratulations to everyone who took part in this match, we are pleased to announce that we won 4:1.

SENCO Award

I am sure you would wish to join me in congratulating Lorraine Patterson on completing and achieving the National SENCO Award. This award has taken 12 months to complete and has involved a number of assignments and a final dissertation.

Samaritans Purse

Your child should bring home this week, a leaflet detailing "Operation Christmas Child". Please ensure all shoe boxes are in school by Friday 7th November, labelled, and we also suggest an elastic band round them (we have plenty of bands in the office if anyone needs a few).

Waiting in the Morning

In the morning, can we encourage you to consider waiting at the school gate at the back of the school, as it is a safer place for the children.

Class 2 Reminder

Just to remind you that we are taking the children to The Florence Nightingale Museum next Thursday, 23rd October. If you haven't already done so, please hand in your permission slip and payment to the office no later than Monday 20th October.

School Uniform

If your child requires school uniform this term, we will be sending an order off next week. Please have all orders onto the system by Wednesday 22nd October.

Message from "The Friends"

(Please see following page).

Yours sincerely

Charis Geoghegan
Headteacher

The Big Draw

I would like my child to take part in the special activities during Arts Week. Please find enclosed my £3.00 contribution.

Signed (parent/guardian) Child's name

Message from "The Friends" -Plea for Helpers!!

We are still short of helpers for the Christmas Bazaar and Bonfire Night. Most importantly, we need a few people to look after the food at the Christmas Bazaar. This involves serving turkey rolls and sausages at the event, as well as some help preparing the food beforehand. If you think this is something you can volunteer for, please contact either Genny Snowdon (07977 558168) or Anna Stevenson (07801 816594) as soon as possible.

We also need helpers for the Bonfire & Fireworks Night which is on Sunday 2nd November. This is a great event for the whole village with a bar, hot food and soup, a sweets stall and children's glow-in-the-dark toys. All these stalls need manning so please let us know if you have half an hour or so during the event to help out.

The Bonfire is being built this Sunday 19th at 3.00pm, October House, Little Gaddesden. Normally lots of Dads go along to help out and the more people, the quicker it gets done so please do go along if you are able to.

Tickets for the Bonfire are on sale in the playground from Anna Stevenson and Debbie Cole, as well as from the Village Shop.

If anyone would like any further information about the responsibilities of The Friends and how we continue to support the school, a new document will be posted on the Friends page on the school website in the next couple of days.

Many thanks.

Anna Stevenson