



# Little Gaddesden C.E. Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs C. Geoghegan

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19<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear parents,

## Letters Sent Home this Week

Classes 3 & 4 - Lunch Letters  
Years 1 - 6 - Premier Sports Gymnastics & Dodgeball  
Years 4 - 6 - Game On Summer Sports  
Years 1 - 3 - Game On Summer Sports

## Sustainable Travel Month

During the month of March, we monitored how the children travelled to school each day and were so pleased with the number of pupils that walked, biked or scooted to school. The children seemed to really enjoy it and the congestion outside the school was markedly improved.

Obviously we would love you to consider the way you travel to school and it's fantastic to see so many children still coming on their bikes, scooters and on foot. We are planning to invest in more bike and scooter racks in the future.

## Thank you from Mrs Alison Cotton

I just wanted to say a very big thank you for all the lovely words, cards and gifts on the occasion of my retirement. I was very touched by the kindness and appreciation shown. Twelve years is a long time and I will certainly miss being at Little Gaddesden School. It has been a delight to teach such lovely, enthusiastic children, (more than 300 of them over the years) and I will miss working alongside such great colleagues.

Little Gaddesden is such a warm, happy school with an ethos that puts the children at its very heart. That's not something all schools are able to maintain with today's educational pressures. For some of you, it is your only experience of primary education for your children but please do treasure it, as it is undoubtedly a very special place for children to learn.

I wish you and your children much happiness and success in the future.  
With love and best wishes to all.

Alison Cotton

### DENS' 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

To celebrate DENS' 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary, they have appointed 15 "Ambassadors" from different communities who have supported DENS. We are very proud to let you know that William Crampton has been appointed as one of the 15 Ambassadors.

### Message from "The Friends"

#### **Summer Fete - 10<sup>th</sup> June - 12.00 - 2.30pm**

The Summer Fete will soon be upon us which means we are already planning the event and looking for help. The theme for the fete this year is "A Right Royal British Affair!" We will be holding themed go cart races and challenges as we did last year, so if you would like to get involved remember to enter your go-cart sooner rather than later. The entry fee is £10 per cart (a team of 5). Forms will be available shortly.

**Great British Bake-Off** - we are inviting all avid cake bakers to take part for the summer fete. Please make a cake of your choice, bring your cake to the fete to be judged and then auctioned at the end of the fete. Prizes will be awarded for winning cakes. If this is of interest to you, keep an eye out for the entry form which will be sent out by class reps.

**Crockery** - we are looking for any old crockery that you wish to get rid of for our crockery smashing stand at the fete. We can collect, or if you can bring it into school and leave it by the Friends shed at the back of the hall, that would be great.

### Gaddesden Gallop - May 6<sup>th</sup> at 10.30a.m

It is nearly time for the first Gaddesden Gallop 10k and 5k runs organised by The Friends of Little Gaddesen School. Please don't forget to sign up for the Gaddesen Gallop now using the below link to ensure that the school benefits from your entry.  
[www.entrycentral.com/gaddesdengallop2018](http://www.entrycentral.com/gaddesdengallop2018).

If running isn't your thing, but you would like to support the event, please let Pippa Martin (Daisy and Eliza's mum) know.

### Dacorum Family Services - Drop in Surgery - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Full details are outlined in the attached sheet.

Yours sincerely

Charis Geoghegan  
Headteacher