



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

As we approach half term, I would like to thank not only my team who have worked tirelessly to provide a wide range of tasks and activities for our pupils whilst you are all at home. Thank also to you, for sharing all the amazing photos of the home learning your children have enjoyed.

Not being able to meet the pupils in person has been my largest frustration with the current circumstances, however I have been made to feel very welcome by the team, the governors and the many positive emails and telephone conversations I had with many of you already. I really do look forward to being able to meet you and your children properly once it is safe to do so.

We are now busy preparing for those of you who will be returning after half term and we are very much looking forward to welcoming you back.

Arrangements for school reopening - Tuesday 2nd June

Thank you for all your responses so far, if you haven't done so already could you please confirm with the office by midday tomorrow about your child returning to school. There will be an update tomorrow for Reception pupils detailing how we will be managing this cohort of more than 15 pupils.

Half term fun

Sports

attached are some suggestions from the Dacorum Schools Sport Network that you may enjoy over half term. the [Darts Challenge](#) and please do let us know if you manage to complete the [Bronze](#) challenge.

Stargazing

[Click here for NASA link](#)

Keep your eyes peeled! Towards the end of May, you could see a newly-discovered comet journeying through space.

Discovered on 11th April, astronomers have been tracking Comet SWAN's orbit. In a statement on its website last week, [NASA](#) said the comet is "currently faintly visible to the unaided eye in the southern [hemisphere](#) just before sunrise".

NASA went on to say that the comet is "providing skywatchers with a relatively rare glimpse of a comet bright enough to be seen without a telescope."

On 27th May, astronomers predict that Comet SWAN will be at its nearest point to the Sun. Stargazers call this stage in a comet's orbit the **perihelion** (the point in the orbit of a planet, asteroid or comet that is nearest to the sun).

Year 6

Last week would have been their SATs week, Mrs Patel created a booklet of fun activities for them and we thought you would enjoy seeing their creative art and hair. [YEAR 6 SATs fun](#)

Class 1



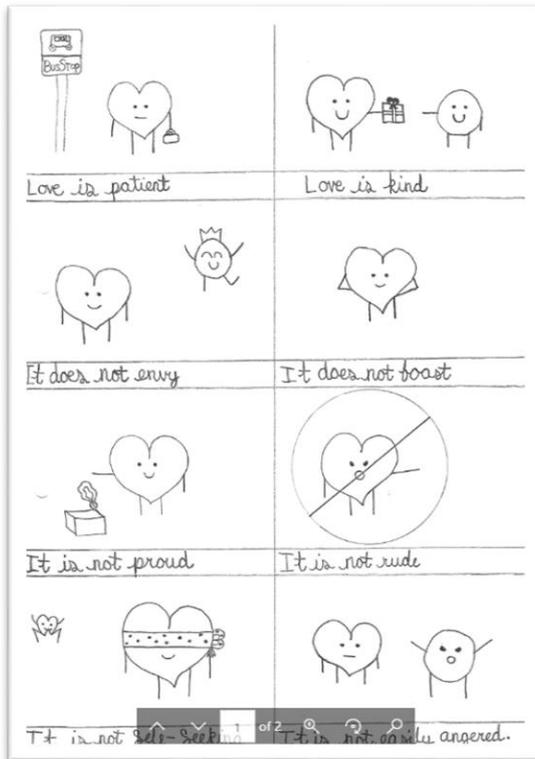
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Mrs Patterson and Mrs Miles would like to remind Reception to check out NUMBOTS. Access information be sent separately.

Practical prayers

Heather Tisbury who is part of the Berkhamsted Ministry and visitor to our school has shared some practical prayer activities for you. [Counting your Blessings](#) will support wellbeing and remind of the many things and people we can be thankful for.



Thank you to Phoebe for her cartoon as part of her RE work – reminding us all about Love.

I hope you are also managing to enjoy the beautiful weather and appreciate our lovely surroundings.

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher