



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

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Dear Parents and carers,

We are delighted to welcome our Reception pupils who started this week. They have settled quickly and are already exploring the range of learning activities the team has for them.

Travel to school and parking:

Thank you for your cooperation regarding our new drop-off and collection arrangements. To help pupils arrive promptly and aid congestion, please drop-off pupils in Classes 3 & 4 before the younger siblings. Similarly as younger pupils are 'handed' over to parents, please collect any older pupils first.

Please remind pupils in Years 3,4,5 and 6 that if there is no one to collect them and they are not expected to walk home independently, they should return to the school office to wait.

If you are not able to walk to school, please make use of the bowls club parking to reduce vehicle congestion around the school entrances and exits to the front and side of the school. Reducing traffic around this area is significantly safer for our pupils. Please also have a conversation with your child about road safety, and the potential dangers of vehicles moving in and around car parks. In school we will be reminding them of traffic safety and awareness around our school. If you are collecting from the front of the school, please wait for your child on the school side of Church Road and ensure that children are not climbing up the fire escape.

Parking at the front of the school is for school staff only and the emergency access MUST remain clear at all times.

Parental visits, in-school workshops and meet the teacher.

Like you we are very keen to maintain as much 'normality' as possible. However, as we have to respond to the changing guidance from the Local Authority and Government regarding COVID-19, some planned workshops may need to be rescheduled or provided remotely. You will be updated accordingly.

Covid-19

We are continuing to ensure that all safety guidance is followed. Children should wash / sanitise their hands on arrival to school and multiple times throughout the day. To help us, please also remind your child about bathroom/toilet hygiene.



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If someone in your household has been advised to take a COVID-19 test please do not send your child to school until you have the results and discussed the results with the school office. Further NHS guidance about this can be found below.

[When to self-isolate and what to do - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

[If you're told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace](#)

Before and after school clubs

[Guidance for parents and carers of children attending out-of-school settings during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#)

Thank you to those of you who have already signed up for our clubs. We appreciate that they are popular, to enable clubs to run safely, the number of pupils able to participate is limited.

Golden Mile Running Club - pupils will be able to sign up for this week by week and will be directed about maintaining social distancing whilst completing their miles. The sign-up form will be closed at 7am on the morning of the club unless the number of allowable participants has already been met.

The forms will be available from 6pm today.

[Wednesday running club form](#)

[Friday running club form](#)

School lunches and break time snacks - please make sure that any food sent in to school does NOT contain NUTS.

kind regards

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher