



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

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Welcome back to the autumn term. We are all delighted to have our pupils back at school.

Covid-19

Following on from my letter last week, we continue to follow Government and Hertfordshire County advice regarding Covid-19 safety for our staff and pupils. Copies of current guidance can be found via the links below.

[gov.uk/backtoschool](https://www.gov.uk/backtoschool)

[Herts returning to school](#)

The leaflet accompanying this newsletter provides clear information regarding suspected cases of Coronavirus and what procedures need to be followed in regard to self-isolation, testing and what other members of the household need to do.

Bubbles

Whilst in classes, pupils will remain in their class bubble. During Break and lunchtimes, when pupils are able to be outside, Pupils will be in Key Stage bubbles and grouping will be used for most clubs. Please see below for further details about extra-curricular clubs.

Before and after school clubs

I am delighted to confirm that we are able to offer clubs this term, and be inline with current guidance. These will begin, week commencing 14th September and for most clubs, including those offered by Game On, will have limited availability.

Clubs will be organised by Key Stage with the exception of 'Golden Mile' Running club and Gymnastics.

For Running Club, all pupils are welcome to attend and they will be given clear guidance about social distancing whilst completing their miles.

For Gymnastics, pupils will only interact with members of their class bubble and bubbles will be kept separated around the School Hall space.

Our clubs are very popular and expect booking to be for the duration of the term. For Running Club only, we are happy for pupils to sign up on a week-by-week basis.

Details for booking clubs will be emailed out early next week.



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	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
Monday	Gymnastics (£48 per term) 8:00am - 8:45am Years 1-6		
Tuesday	Dodgeball (£48 per term) 8:00am - 8:45am Class 3 & 4		Lacrosse (£48 per term) 3:15pm - 4:15pm Class 3 & 4
Wednesday	Running Club (free) 8:20am- 8:45am All years	Infant Football Run by Game On Price to be confirmed in September Class 2	Junior Football Run by Game On Price to be confirmed in September Class 3 & 4
Thursday	Badminton (£48 per term) 8:00am - 8:45am Classes 3 & 4		Netball (free) 3:15pm - 4:15pm Class 4
Friday	Running Club (free) 8:20am - 8:45am All years		

Reading passport

This year our reading passport has a space theme, linking to our whole school book 'Look up!' by Nathan Bryon and Dapo Adeola' which won Waterstones Children's Book Prize for 2020. Children can earn 'space steps' by reading to an adult for at least 20mins (KS2) or 10mins (KS1) each night. Please encourage and support your child with this, indicating in reading records when reading expectations have been met. Pupils have until the end of November to complete the passport.

Class 2 - Art

Please could we ask all parents of children in Class 2 to send in a **named** old shirt or apron for the children to use during art. Thank-you.



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Break-time snack

We encourage all pupils to bring in a healthy snack, such as a piece of fruit. PLEASE NO NUTS

KS1- A government scheme provides a fruit or vegetable based snack for all children at break-time. This scheme was suspended during the summer term but will be running again this term. A snack will be available for all children in Classes 1 & 2 from next week.

Road Safety

Please spend time reminding you children of road safety and vehicle awareness when they are arriving and leaving school. This is especially important for pupils in Years 3-6 who are using exits towards the front of the school.

Kind regards

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher