Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for all your generous donations for our Harvest collection. Although we were not able to share our normal Harvest Service with you, the children all enjoyed a walk to Church to where they left their gifts. These will then be passed on to DENS to distribute.



We would very much like to share with you what each class has contributed to our Harvest celebrations

Class 1 Harvest Song

The children performed our song, demonstrating their use of actions for the words.

Class 2 Harvest Art

Using press printing, every child in the class helped to create an amazing image reflecting the colours and symbols of Harvest. Stamps made from autumn fruit and vegetables were used to add detail to the fields. We were so impressed by the children's teamwork, and hope you enjoy their finished piece.

Class 3 Acrostic

In RE this term, Class 3 have explored what sort of world Jesus wanted, reflecting on the meaning of the parable of the Good Samaritan .We connected the teaching in the parable with how we can help our neighbour, whoever and wherever they may be ,especially at Harvest, by giving to charities like DENS. Our poem spells the word Harvest .

Class 4 Harvest celebration

To continue our support of and involvement with our local community, some of our older pupils have also delivered cyclamen to local residents.

Half term Clubs and activities

We have been contacted by local providers of activities for the half term period. These are in both Hemel Hempstead and Tring.

<u>Grove Road - October.pdf</u> <u>Bishop Wood - October.pdf</u> <u>Coaching me Galley Hill school.pdf</u>

Class 2 Parent Helpers:

Previously, we have always been very grateful to our parent volunteers who help in class, either regularly hearing children read or for one-off events. Although we have more restrictions, we are still able to have volunteers in school to support our classes. If you would be able to help in Class 2, please complete this <u>form</u>. The team will then be in touch.

Social media:

It has been brought to our attention that images of pupils in school uniform are visible on social media. Please be mindful if sharing images of children especially when they are wearing school uniform. Our uniform is quite distinct with the school name visible. This <u>article</u> from Thinkuknow, who are an education programme from the National Crime Agency's CEOP Command, give very clear guidance about sharing images.

Pupils progress meetings for parents:

Please see attached letter for details.

Year 6 parents:

Reminder that the deadline for secondary school applications is the 31st October. If anyone needs help accessing the online system, please contact the school office and we can help you. <u>moving-on-leaflet-2021.pdf</u>

New School Menu

The school menu will be changing after half-term. Please click on the attached link to complete the <u>form</u> to let us know your child's choices for the next half of term. Please complete a form even if your child is having a packed lunch every day. If you have any queries, please contact the Office.

Yoga After School Club

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, a Yoga club will be running on a Monday after school after half-term. The club is for children in classes 1 & 2 and more details including the prices and how to book, are on the attached <u>leaflet</u>.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Lorna Elkes Headteacher