



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

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Newsletter 4th March 2021

Dear parents and carers,

With only a weekend to go, we are all very much looking forward to the children coming back to school on Monday. There is more cold weather forecast, so please make sure that your child has an outdoor coat with them each day.

As you know today is World Book Day and we set a challenge of [recreating book covers](#). We've [added our own attempts](#), but would love to see yours.

Return of books and equipment:

In January, each child was provided with a range of equipment and books to support their learning during this lockdown. We would love to see the exercise books used for recording their learning and any school reading books. Borrowed laptops should now be returned along with maths equipment (particularly for class 2 pupils) as this will now be needed for use in school. All items will be sanitised or quarantined as necessary.

Arrival and departure:

Pupils should arrive, *in school uniform*, for 8:50am and leave at 3:15pm as detailed below. Please observe the social distance markers in and around the school.

Class PE timetable:

On the days detailed below, pupils should arrive at school in their PE clothing.

Class 1 - Thursdays

Class 2 - Wednesday and Friday

Class 3 - Tuesday and Thursday

Class 4 - Wednesday and Thursday

Entrance to / Exit from school:

Class 1 via the gate on Church Road and then via the small gate to Class 1.

Class 2 via the gate on Church Road and then via the main door from the playground.

Class 3 via the front door

Class 4 via the side gate alongside the village hall.

School lunches:

These will be served as normal and we begin on week 3.

Clubs:

I am delighted to confirm that apart from Monday Yoga, all clubs will be running as detailed last week, including football club on Wednesdays at lunchtime and after school.

[Wednesday Golden Mile running Club](#)

[Friday Golden Mile running club](#)

Parent progress meetings:

These will be in the last two weeks of term. Due to restrictions, these will again be via Zoom. Further details will be sent out next week.

Covid update:

You may have seen in the press that lateral flow tests are available for households / bubbles of school pupils and staff. This is not being managed by school but the link will provide more details.

[Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff](#)

Breakfast Club - pre-school

Pre-school Breakfast Club will be available from the 8th March for more information please contact them direct.

A message from “The Friends”

Well what an amazing half term of fundraising from Class 2 and the whole school.

So far you have raised over £5000, with donations still coming in!

Don't worry if you haven't completed your sticker charts, this fundraiser is still running until the 7th March. So plenty of time still to complete your steps and get your sponsorship! Ashridge cafe are still kindly giving everyone with a completed chart a free hot chocolate and a bag of sweets, until the 7th March. There will also be a medal for all that completed the challenge.

Really well done to everyone involved!

<https://justgiving.com/campaign/goldenvalley>

“The Friends Committee” will be hosting a zoom PTA meeting on the 17th March at 8pm.

Zoom details will be sent out nearer the time, hope you can join us.

This weeks lockdown puzzle is

[Sports Crossword Puzzle](#)

Thank you as always for your fundraising support through, what has been a very challenging year! We are so looking forward to seeing everyone next week, when school returns.

Many Thanks “The Friends Committee”.

I look forward to seeing you all next week. Have a lovely weekend.

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher

Attached:

[Wednesday Golden Mile running Club](#)

[Friday Golden Mile running club](#)

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[Sports Crossword Puzzle](#)

[Dacorum Family Services Resilience and Wellbeing poster version 2.pdf](#)

[Communication for Parents & Carers Spring21.pdf](#)