



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

Newsletter 16th September 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Coming up...

27 September - 1 October Bike to School Week 2021 [Bike to school week poster](#)

Tuesday 12th October Harvest festival - we will let you know about attending the service

Friday 15th October Big Draw - in-school event

31st October - deadline for [applications to secondary](#) schools for pupils in year 6

All the children are now settled back into school routine, including our new pupils.

Just to confirm school timings:

The Main school gate is opened for 8:40am, the bell will sound at 8:50am for children to line up ready to go into class.

School finishes at 3:15pm. Pupils in reception, years 1 and 2 are escorted out to the playground to the adult collecting them. Older pupils also come into the playground but are not escorted. If there is no one there to collect them, please remind them to return to the school office. If your child is being collected by someone else please let the office know in advance.

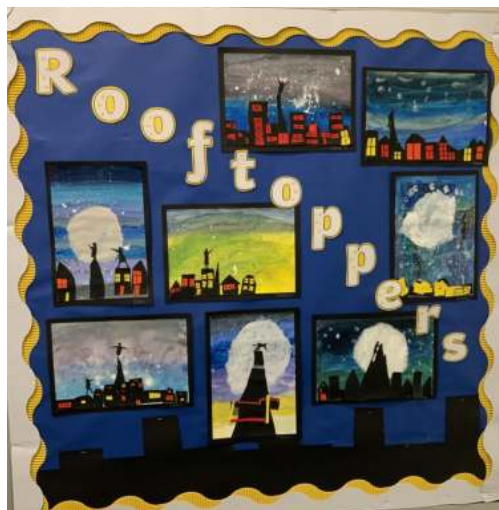
Dogs on school premises

Please remember that we follow a *no dogs on school grounds* approach. This is to protect our children, especially those who may have allergies, and prevent dogs fouling in the playground. Even the most friendly, well-behaved dogs can be unpredictable or anxious in busy, noisy environments such as the school playground. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Class 1 -The children are really settling into our school and have enjoyed showing their buddies around the reception class play space

Class 2 - in English the children have been exploring the features of a narrative.

Class 3 - inspired by their class book 'Rooftoppers - by Katherine Rundell, the children have created some wonderful art. They have silhouetted miniature photos of themselves onto the buildings.



Class 4 - Despite the weather, the children had a wonderful time at Verulamium, learning about life as a Roman. Discovering the range of tools used for cooking and how the more wealthy Romans kept their homes warm.



Flu Immunisation

A [letter](#) and [consent](#) form are attached from NHS England regarding the nasal flu immunisation programme for all children in the school. The letter gives more information about the immunisation. A hard copy of the consent form will come home with children tomorrow. **Please sign and return the consent form by Friday 24th September to let us know whether you want your child to have the flu immunisation or not.**

School Dinner Letters

Children in Classes 3 & 4 who have school lunches will have brought home a letter today showing the amount owed for this half of term, up until 21st October.

Payment is due by Friday 24th September and should be paid via your Gateway account. Please overtype the amount highlighted in the letter onto Gateway to pay the full amount for this half of term.

Any queries, please contact the School Office admin@littlegaddesden.herts.sch.uk

Local support for families

[Dacorum ParentCarers Courses and Support - 15.09.2021.pdf](#)

[Beezee families - lifestyle course](#)

[HTPS ADHD Autumn Term - November.pdf](#)

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Message from the Friends

We'd like to send a huge thank you to Catriona Angel and team for organising a brilliant village sports day on Saturday! Many of our school families had lots of fun running, egg and spoon and bean bag racing and cycling! A special thanks to Claire Naylor, Carly Nair and team for organising the bar and to Mark Smith, Joe Wrigley and Steve Thomas for sorting the bbq! We raised an incredible £410 profit from the bar and bbq so well done team! 🙌

We are planning some exciting events for the next few months TBC but for now, 2 dates for your diary:

Tuesday 28th September, 8pm (venue still TBC)

Welcome drinks

Tuesday 2nd November, 8pm - Bridgewater Arms

AGM

Dani, Carly, Claire B, Claire N and Hannah

Friendsoflgschool@gmail.com

Attached:

[Secondary and upper school places](#)

[FLUENZ Cover Letter ALL AREAS Final.pdf](#)

[Fluenz Consent 2021 Final.pdf](#)

[TringSwimmingClubflyer.pdf](#)

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