



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

Newsletter 16th December 2020

Dear parents and carers,

Coming up...

Tuesday 21st December - Last day of term school ends 1:30pm

We are nearing the end of term, and I would like to thank you all for your continued support with sending your children to school and keeping them at home when they are unwell. I know many of you are conducting daily lateral flow tests, which really helps us when we are required to report absence on a daily basis.

As emailed earlier this week, we are now asking that children remain at home isolating if there is a case of covid in households, this includes siblings.

Santa Dash

Today each class completed their Santa dash wearing their Santa hats. Thank you to Miss Wheeler for organising this festive fun for us all. If you have not yet sent in your £2 contribution, please do so tomorrow so that the raised funds can be forward to 'Herts Young Homeless' charity.



School production

Filming is progressing well. We have plenty of footage so far for the production team to begin editing. There are a few more scenes to complete but we are hopeful that the final version will be available soon after the end of term. You will be notified by email how to access it once it is ready.

End of Term Service.

The children will still enjoy an end of term service whereby they reflect on the story of The Nativity however, we will not be inviting visitors or parents to attend.

School Clubs - Spring Term

The list of clubs for next term, including dates and costs, is [attached](#) to this newsletter. Clubs run by the school can be booked via your Gateway account from Saturday 18th December. Bookings for Gardening club will be available at the beginning of next term.

Flyers are also attached for Football, French club Streetdance club. These three clubs should be booked directly with the providers.

If you have any questions about the clubs, please contact the Office.

Infant Milk - Spring Tem 2022

A letter is [attached](#) about ordering milk for children in Classes 1 & 2 for next term. This term we have had an excess of milk which has been ordered but not wanted by children. Please check with your child that they definitely want milk at break time before ordering.

Breakfast with Santa

Due to current restrictions and wanting to keep everyone well, this has been cancelled. Refunds for this will be completed by early next term.

Christmas Cards.

Our school post box is still in action and the post will be sorted until the last day of term.

Covid update

Although guidance is that pupils of primary age do not need masks we notice that a number of children are being sent into school with face masks. Whilst we respect your choice with this, staff are focusing on teaching and learning therefore do not have the time to supervise pupils with managing face masks.

Should you need to report a case of covid please do use our Covid email.

Covidnotice@littlegaddesden.herts.sch.uk

This email address will continue to be monitored over the Christmas holiday.

Support for families over the holiday period

[HOLIDAY WELLBEING INFO.pdf](#)

Do stay well and safe - we're nearly at the end of term.

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher

Attached:

- School Clubs Spring Term 2022.pdf
- Streetdance Club.png
- French Club flyer Spring Term 2022.docx.pdf
- Little Gaddesden - Football - Years 1 & 2 - Wednesday LC - SP22.pdf
- Little Gaddesden - Football - Years 3 to 6 - Wednesday ASC - SP22.pdf

Message from Friends

Hi all

We just wanted to say a huge thank you to all those who helped to put on a fantastic Christmas Fair 🎄 on 4th December. It takes a lot of organising and so many of you helped in so many ways. We are delighted to announce that we made over **£4,500** 🙌 - we were hoping for £2,000 so this really is an amazing amount to raise!

In addition, the recent film night 🎬 raised **£350** and the pumpkin party 🎃 that we held just before half term raised over **£700!**

All this money goes straight back into the school.

We'd also like to say a huge thank you to all of the staff at school. It's been a hard few weeks with many children testing positive for covid. It's a very sensitive and uncertain situation, trying to do the right thing and follow the right steps. We just wanted to say to all the staff at our school ... Thank you! Thank you for keeping coming into school every day when you yourself may be feeling anxious and concerned for yourselves and your own families. We really appreciate all your hard work and commitment! 🙌🎄🙌

Finally, we wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year! Thanks for all your continued support!

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