



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

24th February 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Coming up...

Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day & afternoon tea / Class 4 visiting Ashridge House

Friday 4th March - Friend Film night - The croods: A New Age

Thursday 17th March - Wellbeing visitor

Friday 18th March - Red Nose Day

Thursday 24th March - Class 2 trip to London - details to follow

Wednesday 30th & Thursday 31st March - Pupils progress meetings

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, I hope you all had an enjoyable half term break. It is great to see the children refreshed and ready for learning.

I am delighted to welcome Mrs Garner to the office team. She will be working Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Also Ms Slade who is supporting the children in Class 4.

Our Dress to Express day raised £120 which will be sent to Place2Be who support children's mental health.

World Book Day Thursday 3rd March

World Book Day .pdf

Hopefully you have all had the chance to share the class book with your children over the half term break (and think about their outfit!) If not, don't worry there is still a week to go!

We are hoping that many of you will be able to join us at the end of the day next Thursday to share a book and a tasty treat with your child/children. We will open the gates at 2.45pm so that you can come into the school playground to join us for our tea party. Please could you help us to prepare for this by indicating on this [form](#) whether you will be joining us at 2.45pm or not.

Please be mindful that the children will still be under our supervision and that their class teachers will take them back into class at 3.10pm to get their things for home time and to dismiss them from their classes as normal.

Class 1

We look forward to the children bringing items to show and share. Please see [letter](#) for details.

Class 4

As part of local celebrations to commemorate the Queen's 70-year reign, the children have been invited to Ashridge House on the morning of 3rd March. They will still need to wear their 'tea party' outfits, and we will arrange transport to and from Ashridge. As this event is likely also be covered by the local press, please contact the office if you do NOT wish your child to be included in any photographs.

As part of our learning this term we have planned a trip to Bletchley Park - please see attached letter for details.  [Class 4 Bletchley Park 14.03.22 letter.pdf](#)

The third payment of £60 for the Class 4 Isle of Wight trip is due to be paid by February 28th. This can be paid via your Arbor Parent Portal. Please contact the Office if you aren't able to log into Arbor. (Details were sent two weeks ago with instructions in previous newsletters).

Covid update

I am delighted to say that currently case numbers are such that we are able to remain out of bubbles.

You will be aware of the very recent change in guidance from the Government. Until we have further information I would request that children who display Covid symptoms are not sent to school until they are well and where possible tests are used to confirm cases.

Thank you for your continued support with keeping our community safe.

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher

Attached:

-  [World Book Day .pdf](#)
-  [Class 1 Show and share Feb 2022.pdf](#)
-  [Class 4 Bletchley Park 14.03.22 letter.pdf](#)

Support for local families:

-  [DSPL8 ParentsCarers Communication - 23.02.2022.pdf](#)
-  [Dacorum ParentCarers Courses and Support - 23.02.2022.pdf](#)

Friends of Little Gaddesden School

Save the date: Friday 4th March



Film night - The croods: A New Age

We are so excited to let you know that we will be holding our next film night on Friday 4th March. We will be showing The Croods: A New Age and it will be the usual £5 per child for refreshments to include: hot dog, crisps, sweet treat and fruit. We always have problems with spillages and so we'd like to try asking the children to bring their water bottles into the hall with them, instead of offering squash in cups. We hope that's ok! We are just finalising how payment can be made now that the school has moved away from School Gateway but will send details via class reps ASAP - we just wanted to get the date in your diaries!

Spring Ball at Ashridge House - Friday 22nd April 🧑🏻‍🎓 🐉



Save the date!
22.04.22
SPRING BALL
£85 PER TICKET
TABLES OF 10 OR INDIVIDUAL TICKETS AVAILABLE
TICKETS ARE NON REFUNDABLE
DRESS CODE
BLACK TIE, DRESS TO IMPRESS
FOLGS CHARITY FUNDRAISER
3 COURSE DINNER
WELCOME DRINK
1/2 BOTTLE WINE
AUCTION & GAMES
BAND & BAR
7PM TILL LATE
ASHRIDGE HOUSE
HP4 1NS
To reserve tickets email
friendsoflgschool@gmail.com

The poster features a dark background with a large, golden starburst graphic on the left. Text is in white and gold. Logos for Little Gaddesden School and Ashridge Events & Conferences are at the bottom.

Plans are coming together for our Spring Ball and tickets are flying 🚀! It would be so fab for as many parents as possible to come to the ball as it will be a great chance to get together and enjoy a well deserved night out! Please do let us know if you want to come but are not sure who else is going/what table to go on etc. as we can group people together.

We are very excited to be holding a live auction on the night, running alongside a silent auction and are looking for some help... please can you get in contact if you would like to help us to secure prizes or do let us know if you have anything you can offer or a contact who may have something to offer as a prize. All offers of help or prizes will be very gratefully received!

Please email us at Friendsoflgschool@gmail.com for more information and to buy tickets!

Class 1 fundraising

Class 1 would like to thank you all for being so enthusiastic and generous at their cake sale and buying so many sweet treats! They sold all their cakes and biscuits and made a hugely successful **£229** 🍰 🧁 🍪!

A reminder that class 1 are also running a raffle with some amazing prizes:

- * Voucher for 2 for a Mothers Day roast at Ashridge House
- * A Kawaii bouquet from Hanako
- * a Graze Life box

Hopefully you will have received raffle tickets in book bags before half term. Please hand in tickets and money to the office or class 1. Do let class 1 know if you would like any more tickets!

The draw will take place at 7pm on 6th

**WIN A
DELICIOUS
MOTHER'S DAY
ROAST**



**ATTENTION
RAFFLE
TICKET
HOLDERS!**

The new
Bakehouse at
Ashridge House
is also giving
away a **free
coffee** with the
purchase of any
cake, pastry or
savoury dish to
those with a
raffle ticket on
Mother's Day
27th March 2022

at
**ASHRIDGE
HOUSE**



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 👑 - Sunday 5th June 2022

The various village groups and clubs are getting together to plan a fantastic village fair in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and we hope to be a crucial part of this! It will replace our summer fair and so we plan to hold the stalls and games that we would usually have at our school summer fair. More details to follow but this will be an event not to miss!

As always, thanks so much for your support!

Dani, Carly, Claire B, Claire N and Hannah

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