



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

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Newsletter 10th November 2022

Coming up... (new items)

Monday 14th November - Class 4 rescheduled visit to Palace of Westminster
Thursday 17th November Judaism Workshop Class 2
Friday 18th November - Yoga workshop for each class
Friday 18th - Class 2 Stargazing evening
Wednesday 23rd November - Maths workshop for parents
Thursday 24th November - catch-up flu vaccinations
Saturday 26th November - choir performance at Tring Church
Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th December - School production performances
Thursday 15th December - theatre visits KS1 & KS2

Spring Term

Monday 23rd January - Classes 3 & 4 - Young Voices at the O2

Dates from the Friends:

- Friday 4th November Pumpkin party
- Friday 18th November – Folk Night
- Saturday 3rd December Little Gaddesden Christmas Fayre

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your cooperation with the road closure. I understand from the construction team that all the necessary work has been completed for now. Further works will not be scheduled until summer 2023.

Class 1 - Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend this morning. I am sure that not only was this a useful session for supporting your child with their early reading, but also a delight to see how far they have progressed already.

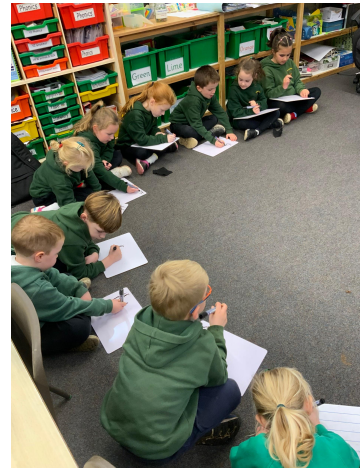


Following on from the roadworks this week, Class 1 pupils were addressing the issues with our own roadway. Clearing the leaves and ensuring that the road markings were clear for the scooter and bike users.

Class 2 - The children are continuing their phonics knowledge to support their spelling. As part of their explorers topic, they have been learning about human's first steps on the Moon. As would-be reporters, they have been gathering questions for Neil Armstrong...

Please remember to reply to our stargazing evening.

■ Stargazing letter Autumn Term 2 - 2022.pdf



Class 3 - As part of their geography and science learning the children have used chocolate to mimic rock formation. ■ Class 3 - How rocks are formed.pdf

Class 4 - inspired by the work of Paul Cezanne, Class 4 have been creating their own still-life drawings. They were focusing on how lighting creates shade and how to replicate it in their own work.



Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will take place on Wednesday 14th December. Please choose a meal for your child using this [form](#), and complete the form by Friday 2nd December.

If your child is in Class 1 or 2 and does not normally have a school lunch on this day (Wed-Week 1) there will be no additional charge in line with Universal Infant Free School Meals

If your child is in Class 3 or 4 and does not normally have a school lunch on this day (Wed-Week 1) a charge (£2.90) will be added to your School Arbor account which will need to be settled.

FLU VACCINE

Please find [attached](#) information regarding the second session for the flu vaccinations in your school. This is for anyone who wanted the flu vaccination and missed it at the first session. Your vaccination date is on the 24th November 2022. In order for your child to receive the vaccine please complete the consent form.

■ 2nd Session - Flu E-Consent - Hertfordshire.1.pdf

Toy Hub



Donations Appeal

Donations for 10–18 year olds.
We need your help.

Did you know we support families with children up to the age of 18?
We are very low on donations for 10-18 year olds – toys and gifts for older children and teens.

OUR RULE OF THUMB:
"If you would personally re-gift it, then we would be delighted to accept it!"

This is what we need...

We specifically need donations for 10-18 year old donations and are hoping you can help us.

The collecting bins by the side gate. Donations can be made before school (8-9am). The Toy Hub team is keen to support as many families as possible, so please do share collection details. Donations must be new or like-new.

■ ToyHub DONATIONS LIST 2022 AW02....

■ ToyHub Live 2022 SCREEN.pdf

Activities locally

Once again our school choir will be performing at the Tring Christmas Festival. They will be singing at St Paul's and St Peter's Church at 6:30pm, do come to support them.

■ Tring Together Christmas 2022.jpg

Support for families

■ Raise Resilience - Autumn 2022.PNG : We know that there are many children whose resilience has been impacted by the restrictions of the pandemic. The Dacorum support team has funded a series of sessions for parents to help build their children's resilience. These sessions are completely free and are recorded so can be accessed at a convenient time by registering using this link [Raise Resilience Dacorum Parents - Bounce Forward](#)

Trouble sleeping?

■ Flyerparent.jpg ■ Flyerparent2.jpg

At any given time up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis) have difficulties with their sleep. Yet in a recent survey, almost 60% of adults felt

there was a lack of support for sleep issues. Sleep problems can leave people feeling isolated and lonely.

Our free helpline is run by trained sleep advisors, many of whom are specialists in working with SEND. We can talk to young people directly, or parents (we can also talk to adults, including older people, about their sleep issues).

The helpline is open 5 times a week, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings 7-9pm, and Wednesday mornings 9-11am. The number is 03303 530 541.

You can read more here: <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/>

■ DSPL8 ParentsCarers Newsletter - Autumn Term - 02.11.2022.pdf

■ Dacorum ParentCarers Courses and Support - Autumn Term - 02.11.2022.pdf

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher.

Message from the Friends



Thank you for all your support for our recent fundraising.

We'd like to extend a big *thank you* to all those who helped, baked or participated. Without your efforts, none of this would have been possible.

Do make sure to add the 3rd December in your diaries for the Little Gaddesden Christmas Fair.



Easy fundraising via Amazon Smile 😊 This is a really easy way to support the school. Our step-by-step guide explains how. ■ FOLGS fundraising with Amazon Smile.pdf