



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Lorna Elkes

Together in Community

Built on our Christian values, rooted in the parable of the Good Samaritan

Thursday 7th December 2023

Coming up... (new items)

Autumn Term

Monday 4th December - Start of our reverse Advent

Thursday 7th December - Great Fire of Little Gaddesden - Class 2 parents only 9am

Saturday 9th December - Christmas Fair [Christmas Fair Poster \(1\).pdf](#)

Tuesday 12th December - Dress rehearsal - preschool and grandparents 9.30am

Wednesday 13th December - School Christmas [lunch](#)

Wednesday 13th December - School Christmas evening production 6:00pm for 6:30pm start

Thursday 14th December - School Christmas evening production 6:00pm for 6:30pm start

Friday 15th Class 3 & 4 visit to Warner Brothers, Watford

Monday 18th December - Class 1 & 2 theatre trip - Cinderella

Tuesday 19th December - CL1 Breakfast with Santa

Dear Parents and Carers,

All the children have been rehearsing for our Christmas production, practising their moves and their singing!

Children do not need to be in school until 6pm and should be dropped off at the front door. Those staying to watch will be able to make their way around to the hall where FOLGS will serve festive refreshments.

There are 2 tickets per family per night which will be sent home on Monday.

Christmas Lunch

Please make sure you have completed the [form](#) for our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 13th December. Please complete the [form](#) by **Friday 8th December**.

If your child is in Class 1 or 2 and does not normally have a school lunch on this day (Wed-Week 2) 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 2) a charge (£3.20) will be added to your School Arbor account which will need to be settled.

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas fair on Saturday 9th December should be great fun, with plenty to entertain all ages. The Choir will be performing at 2pm. As in previous years, other pupils will be welcome to join in afterwards for some familiar Carols.

This has all been arranged by FOLGS who support the school with their fantastic fundraising and enable the 'extras' for our pupils. Sadly, many of the 'extras' would now be considered part of what's expected in schools and we are grateful to the FOLGS team for their support for our pupils. Details of their support this year can be found in [FOLGS Chair report 2023.pdf](#).

Advent

Donations for our reverse Advent should be sent in via the children. The Pupil Parliament team will be collecting them up before the end of term.

Items should be: Toys (new), Coats (new or nearly new), particularly Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Reflective clothing. Also: Wind up torches, Hot water bottles. These can be brought into school from next week.

Festive trips

We have arranged two trips for our pupils both of which have been subsidised by FOLGS.

[Warner Bros KS2 15 Dec 2023.pdf](#) [Cinderella KS1 18 Dec 2023.pdf](#)

Flu Vaccinations

If your child missed the Flu Vaccine at school the school nurses team have added additional dates - please see below [Flu Catch Up Clinic - 2023.pdf](#)

| Area | Post Code | Venue | Date |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------------------------|--|
| Hemel Hempstead | HP3 8QG | Leverstock Green Village Hall | 9 th December 23 rd December |
| Watford | WD25 9ET | Meridan Community Centre | 16 th December 23 rd December |

Clubs for Spring term

Changes next term. Dodgeball will be on Wednesday mornings and Streetdance and Running club on Tuesday mornings. Full details of clubs [School Clubs Spring Term 2024.pdf](#)

We are delighted to offer a 'ballet' club for pupils in reception and years 1 & 2 from January. Full details are available here.

[LITTLE GADDESSEN BALLET LETTER RECEPTION-YEAR2.doc.pdf](#)

We will also be offering a Chess club on Monday lunchtimes; initially this is for years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Depending on uptake there may be an opportunity for pupils in year 2 who already play chess to join. [Chess Club Booking Form - Little Gaddesden Spring 2024 .docx](#)

[Street Dance Spring 24.png](#)

[French club Little Gaddesden Spring 2024.docx](#)

[Little Gaddesden - Years 1 & 2 Football - LC- SP24.pdf](#)

📄 Little Gaddesden - Football - Years 3 to 6 - Wednesday ASC - SP24 .pdf

📄 Drama Club Little Gad .pdf - price tbc

School run clubs will be available on Arbor from 7pm on 7th December.

Infant Milk - Spring Term

If you would like your child to have a 189ml carton of milk daily during the Spring Term, please read the [attached milk letter](#) and sign up via the Arbor **'School Shop'**

Support for families locally:

📄 Fire & Rescue update - Dacorum and St Albans - Winter-Christmas 2023.pdf

[DSPL8 Dacorum Facebook Page / DSPL8 Dacorum Instagram Page](#)

📄 Anxiety & Attendance 09.01.24.pdf

📄 Free Family workshops.docx

📄 Dacorum ParentCarers Courses and Support - Autumn Term - 29.11.2023.pdf

📄 DSPL8 ParentsCarers Newsletter - Autumn Term - 29.11.2023.pdf

Local information

📄 Hemel Storm.png

📄 Netball academy.jpg

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

Lorna Elkes

Headteacher

FOLGS

Christmas Fair

📄 Christmas Fair Poster 2.pdf

We're in full excitement mode for this weekend's xmas fair. Gates open at 12:30 where kids (and big kids) will be treated to a range of stalls and places to eat and drink.

Silent Auction

We're live! Get bidding on these amazing auction prizes...

www.app.galabid.com/lgsilentauction/items



ELF movie night

Last week's movie night raised an impressive £320 for the school. The FOLGS would like to extend a big thanks to Hannah and Claire for all their efforts, the kids had a brilliant night!