



Little Gaddesden C of E Primary School

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Together in Community

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

Friday 16th February 2024

Coming up... (new items)

Spring Term

Monday 19th - Friday 23rd February - HALF TERM

Monday 26th February - Class 2 pirate afternoon

Monday 26th February - Class 4 History Trip

Wednesday 28th February - Year 1 sport at Berkhamsted sports centre - **NB change of date**

Wednesday 6th March - Class 2 local trip

Wednesday 13th March - Year 2 athletics at Berkhamsted sports centre

Thursday 14th March - Music evening 6pm

Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day

Tuesday 19th - Thursday 21st March - Parent meetings:

Tuesday 19th March - Class 4 - 2.00pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday 20th March - Class 3 - 2.00pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday 20th March - Class 2 - 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Thursday 21st March - All Classes - 4.00pm - 7.00pm

Monday 25th March - Author visit

Wednesday 27th March - End of term Service 9.15am

Thursday 28th March - End of term - school finishes at 1:30pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are nearing the end of this half term, and following all the excitement of next week, it is clear that the children are ready for a break. Thank you to all who have attended our workshops this term, we hope that you have found them useful.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have further questions.

Online at home

Hopefully the weather will improve and there will be many opportunities to get outside and enjoy some fresh air and expend some energy. There may also be times when children are online either on their own or with friends. A quick reminder to help them keep safe whilst doing so....

■ [hfl-online-safety-newsletter-spring-24-parents-or-carers.pdf](#)

Class 1 - Thank you to all who were able to attend our Hands-on session, we hope you found it useful and enjoyed being able to work with your child. We are always happy to answer any questions around their learning and development.

We have been learning about boats as part of our topic on Transport. We've created our own cruise ship cafe and have explored floating and sinking



Class 2 - In English, we have started a new book, 'Last Stop on Market Street' and the children have been writing descriptions of urban areas. In Topic, we have continued learning about Jamaica and looking at maps of the country. We have learnt the difference between physical and human features.

Class 2 are having a pirate afternoon on Monday 26th February, as a super starter to next term's history topic. We would like your child to come dressed as a pirate that day. Please do not buy any expensive costumes, an old pair of trousers, t-shirt and scarf. *No swords please!*

We are intending to take the children to Ashridge after half term. Full details - [Ashridge trip 2024.pdf](#)

Class 3 - The children were wonderful ambassadors for our school at the tag rugby tournament. I was so impressed by their sportsmanship and willingness to get stuck in with both the warm up activities and games against other schools. Well done, Class 3!

Class 4 - This week we have been developing our awareness of how authors create suspense in their writing. We are working towards writing our own scene for Cogheart, our class novel. In maths we have been learning about percentages and their relationship to decimals and fractions. The children did very well in 'being the teacher' on Wednesday at the parent workshop where they worked collaboratively with Class 3.

Sports update

Our footballers had played against George Street on Wednesday, after a great game the final school was 1-1.

Advent collection update

We've had a lovely message thankyou everyone for their generosity with our reverse Advent collection

To everyone at Little Gaddesden School,

I am writing to you on behalf of Charles Storer, who runs the charity Hope and Aid Direct. He has asked me to thank you all for the magnificent collection of items you donated for the people of Ukraine.

The aid you collected will be leaving the UK very soon, travelling in an articulated lorry across Europe. A few days later it will arrive in Kyiv, the capital of Ukraine, and then taken to people across the country

who have the greatest need.

You probably know that the war has been going on for nearly 2 years, and there doesn't seem to be any sign that it will end soon. I can't imagine what it must be like for the people who are unable to live normal lives.

Your kindness and generosity will make a real difference to so many people and on their behalf I send you my grateful thanks.

Very best wishes.

Janet Page

Hope and Aid Direct - Registered charity no. 1077146

Support for families locally

■ HPCI Parent Carer Webinar Flyer.pdf

[PHN Newsletter primary Winter 2023 2024 \(002\) final.pdf](#)[BF Anxiety Unravelling Spring 2023.png](#)

[DSPL8 ParentsCarers Newsletter - Spring Term - 24.01.2024.pdf](#)

[Dacorum ParentCarers Courses and Support - Spring Term - 24.01.2024.pdf](#)

Local information

■ LCWIP Poster.pdf

[sports Fever FEBRUARY CAMPS 2024 .pdf](#)

[Basketball half term camp.pdf](#)

[Tech holiday Camp.pdf](#)

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half-term

Lorna Elkes

Headteacher

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Gaddesden Gallop – Save the Date!

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The Gaddesden Gallop is back with a bang in 2024. Please add **12th May 2024** to your diaries for the 5km and 10km races.

On the day there promises to be entertainment and food. Come along with the whole family!

For more information, please visit: [Gaddesden Gallop | Facebook](#)

There are many many more activities to come - more details after half term.