



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

Friday 15th March 2024

Coming up... (new items)

Spring Term

Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day

Monday 18th March - Class 2 local trip - postponed due to poor ground conditions.

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

Friday 22nd March - year 6 SATs meeting 8:50am

Friday 22nd March - Class 3 Victorian Day

Monday 25th March - Author visit

Wednesday 27th March - End of term Service 9.15am

Wednesday 27th March - Class 4 afternoon sporting event

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Red Nose Day

Thank you for all your generous donations. The children looked super in their different shades of red today. We hope to be able to share the final total raised with you next week.

Fruit at break

We now have sufficient fruit for all children to have a free fresh fruit snack at break time. If you choose to provide a snack from home, please make that it is fruit - no chocolate or crisps

Author Visit

We are very excited that this year James Campbell will be visiting us on 25th March to share his experience of book writing and inspire some of our budding authors. There will also be an opportunity to purchase some of his books that he will sign on the day. Further details of his books that will be available: [James Campbell Author Visit - book sale.pdf](#).

Music Evening

Thank you so much for your wonderful support for our many musicians. Their performances were fantastic.

Class 4

Next Friday, we will be having a **forest school** session in the afternoon. The children will need suitable clothing. Children must have their arms and legs (including ankles) covered. They may arrive in school in these clothes rather than have to change in the afternoon.

The session will go ahead even if it is raining, so please make sure your child has a waterproof coat. You may wish to send them in with boots or wellies to change into.

Class 4 have been invited to take part in a Dodgeball on **Wednesday 27th March** - there is no charge for this event. 📎 Y5_6 Dodgeball letter.pdf

Milk for summer term- Classes 1 and 2

The sign up is now open on Arbor for Classes 1 and 2. Please confirm if your child would like milk by 28th March. 📎 Infant Milk - Summer Term 2024.pdf

Clubs for summer Term

Details of clubs for the summer term. These can be booked via Arbor or by using the links to the booking forms.

- 📎 School Clubs Summer Term 2024.pdf
- 📎 Little Gaddesden - Football - Years 3 to 6 - Wednesday ASC - SUM24.pdf
- 📎 Little Gaddesden - Years 1 & 2 Football - LC- SUM24.pdf
- 📄 Little Gaddesden French Summer 2024.docx
- 📎 Street Dance Summer 24.png

Support for families locally

- 📎 Hertfordshire Mental Health workshops.png
- 📎 Hertfordshire Upcoming Webinars.pdf
- 📎 Neurodiversity- Newsletter.jpg
- 📎 PHN Newsletter primary Spring 2024.pdf
- [HPCI Parent Carer Webinar Flyer.pdf](#)
- [BF Anxiety Unravelled Spring 2023.png](#)
- 📎 Anxiety & Attendance Part 2 13.3.24.pdf

Local information

www.waterworld-tickets.co.uk discount available with code **EASTER15%OFF**

- 📎 Premier Easter Camps - Tring.pdf
- 📎 Cascade Camps Newsletter - March 2024.pdf

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

Lorna Elkes
Headteacher

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Hi everyone,

Thank you all for your support over the past few months. We've made a good start to the school year, raising nearly **£10k**, and still have some brilliant events planned before the summer holidays (we've the Circus in Autumn too) and hopefully raise a further **£6k**. We've got hair braiding, the Year 5 Quiz + Curry Night, Folk Night, and The Inter Village Sports Day to look forward to... and yes, of course, we need your help to bring these events to life.

Three other things we really need help with:

1. Are there any experts willing/able to help us build wooden shelves for the storage container? We can provide materials.
2. Can anyone help us take down and rebuild the school gate? It needs some love, and we'd like to build in a Friends notice board to keep you all up to date.
3. Cleaning and repairing the school BBQs - they're great, but a little love would go a long way. Any volunteers?

It will also be two years that this team has been together, which means that myself, Ben D, and Simon P will be stepping down. This means we'll need to recruit new team members to help keep the events running, bring fresh ideas, and help us raise money for the children and the school roof project. A huge thanks to Simon and Ben for every effort, you've been brilliant.

This means there are now only 4 in the Friends team (Emma P, Claire N, Rebecca M + Sarah R), so it's time for some new faces to take their turn. It's not as onerous as you think... Please ignore the PTA horror stories from other schools. We have clear ways of working, know what's what, and can help new team members get up to speed quickly easily...and we have a fair amount of fun too. On average, it's probably closer to 30 minutes of our time a week across the year... so if you're able to help us help the school, we can find a role that works for you.

Please talk to one of us or send me a message (friendsoflgschool@gmail.com) and we can help you work out if there's a role for you.

Thanks again,

Will + the Friends Team

