



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 13th May 2024

Coming up... (new items)

Summer Term

Monday 17th June - PE week whole school  LG P.E. Week.pdf

Monday 17th - 21st June - Walk to School Week

Wednesday 19th June Whole school sports day am

Thursday 20th June - Class 2 trip to local Synagogue

Monday 24th - Friday 28th June - Class 4 residential trip

Wednesday 26th June - Year 4 Science Trip

Friday 5th July - Inter Village sports event 6pm

Monday 8th July - Class 3 trip to local Safari Park

Tuesday 9th July - Little Big Sing - pm

Wednesday 17th July - Class 4 Victorian entertainment for Class 4 parents 6pm

Friday 19th July - Last day term, school finishes at 1:30pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sports week

We are very much looking forward to all the sporting activities next week. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £2 towards this which will be collected by class teachers.

As part of our active week we are again promoting walking to school. We recognise that not all parents are able to walk all the way from home, however, as before there will be the option of parking up and walking the final part to school.

Over the week, we will be collecting information about childrens' travel to school.

If they have:

- Walked all or part of the way
- Scooter or cycled
- Come by Lynx bus
- Come the whole way to the sports pavilion or village hall car parks by car.

Book Fair

Thank you for placing book orders from our fair. If the book your child selected was not available, we have placed orders for them to be sent to the school. If any orders are not able to be fulfilled, Scholastic has assured us that they will issue refunds.

Class 1 - The children loved their trip to Tring Museum. Having discussed what we might see beforehand, they spend their time looking for then drawing their favourite animals. These included a gorilla, tiny hummingbirds and stone fish!

Class 2 - In Art we have been designing the feathers for our 3d bird sculptures and using collage to put those designs onto our sculptures. The biggest challenge will be to get the sculptures to balance! Please find information about our trip next week - payments can be made via Arbor. [Class 2 Synagogue Letter.docx.pdf](#)

Class 2 Sleep-out. In previous years Class 2 pupils have enjoyed a sleep-out in our school hall. We intend to arrange this again for Friday 12th July, please complete this form to confirm if you would like your child to take part. <https://forms.gle/mcK25ce3gRGuNWgFA>

Class 3 - We had a great time at Leverstock Green Tennis Club. We rotated through a carousel of activities and all the children impressed us with their accurate throwing, catching and hitting skills!



Class 4 - This week we enjoyed a visit from a local magistrate and competed in an 'Ultimate Frisbee' competition at Longdean School. We have also begun preparations for our Victorian Evening at the end of term.

Parmiters Open Day 📄 [Parmiter's School Open Day.pdf](#)

Online safety and use of technology

You may be aware of a campaign regarding the age children have Smartphones. The Ridgeway Learning trust have shared this letter with parents.

📄 [Smartphones in Schools Letter to Parent 14_06_2024.pdf](#)

At Little Gaddesden School we do not expect our pupils to bring phones or other technology to school. If they do, these items must be turned off and handed in to the school office at the start of the day and can be collected at home time. Also pupils should not wear smartwatches to school.

As part of their curriculum learning, pupils are taught about keeping themselves and others safe online. We are explicit about the importance of reporting worries linked to being online to an adult.

We know it is difficult to support our young people to navigate an increasingly digital world. I would encourage you to have open conversations with your children about this, be aware and monitor what they do online, including accessing sites and apps that are aimed at older children

or adults. There are several websites that offer details about specific apps and how to set up devices for increased security.

[Parents and carers | CEOP Education](#) - this includes reporting guidance and information about the dark web.

internetmatters.org

[Online Safety Guidance for Parents | SWGfL](#)

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



Summer reading Challenge.pdf

Support for families locally

20240524 - Health Protection priorities letter to schools

Family Lives Summer Term 2024 Groups and Workshops.jpg

Smiles for Dacorum (1).pdf

Dacorum Families SEND Fayre.png

Pathway to work flyer.pdf

Local information and activities

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premier sport summer camp- Tring.pdf


Game On Summer Holiday Courses 2024.pdf

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FOLGS

Roll up, roll up, we have two events that we know you will all enjoy.

We have a few spaces left for Braid Maidens on July 11th. 

The Circus is coming...

We have already sold almost 100 tickets for the circus on **September 19th** - get yours now...

Click on the link to buy tickets or find out more information or talk to one of us in the playground.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/folgs>

Thanks again,
Will + the Friends Team



Learn to Dutch Braid and raise money for Friends of Little Gaddesden School

Thursday 11th July
7.15pm arrival for a 7.30-9.30pm class
Little Gaddesden School
£30pp inc a glass of prosecco
(and the digital version of what you learn)

If you can manage a regular plait, have dabbled with French plaits or can just do a ponytail - it doesn't matter!

Fiona from Braid Maidens will get you going with the popular Dutch Braid and 2 other great looks.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/folgs/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=76964>

*Capacity for this event is 18 people
- first come, first served