



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 18th July 2024

Coming up... (new items)

Summer Term

Friday 19th July - End of term service, Church of St Peter & St Paul, 9.15am

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

Wednesday 4th September - NEW TERM starts. Children can come into school from 8:45am.
Registration is at 8:50am

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of year, I would like to thank all my staff for their hard work and support to enable our pupils to have such a successful and enjoyable year, full of experiences, trips and visitors.

We will be sad to see our year six children leave, but know that they have not only achieved incredibly well, but are also prepared for the next stage of their learning journey. We wish them all the best.

Message from Mrs Patterson

We are all very sad to see Mrs Patterson leave, however she has asked that the following message be shared with you.

To all the fabulous children, parents and staff, I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the wonderful songs, videos, generous gifts and extremely kind messages I have received this week. You all know how much Little Gaddesden School means to me and what a special place it and you hold in my heart. I've cried and laughed so much and feel I'm part of this beautiful family forever. Go on to bigger and better things but take a bit of me with you.

Lots of love

Mrs P

Clubs

Club bookings will be open from this evening. Please sign up so that we can confirm provisional numbers. We have some new club providers, without sufficient numbers, these clubs (yoga and gymnastics) will not run.

 School Clubs Autumn Term 2024.pdf

Music Lessons (Autumn Term)

If your child would like to learn the Guitar, Piano, Drums or a wind Instrument please contact the [Herts Music Service](#) (Piano/Woodwind/Drums), [Life Music](#) (Guitar) or Ruthseodi@aol.com (Piano) for more details.

After school club

I can confirm that this will be available from the start of term. For further information and booking please see use the links.

📎 [Little Gaddesden Primary School - Bookings Open Announcement.pdf](#)

Sports update

I am delighted to share that we have been awarded the Gold Games Mark. This is in recognition of all the sporting activities that the children have participated in. I would like to thank Miss Wheeler for all her hard work to achieve this.

We have had a cascade of sporting awards this week! Our trophy for completing the TCS Mini London Marathon in Schools arrived, as did four trophies for winning the DSSN (Dacorum School Sports Network) 'Move More' challenges for both KS1 and 2 across the spring term. We were also Highly Commended at the DSSN Awards for our achievement in sport and PE this year. The School Games Mark Award is a government-led awards scheme to award schools for their commitment to the development of PE, physical activity and competition across their school and community. We were awarded Gold due to the high number of events we have attended this year, plus the School's commitment to encouraging an 'Active 60' lifestyle amongst our pupils and our understanding of the importance of physical literacy.

Thank you to the children for their positive attitude to PE and willingness to get involved with the different events they do; the office for organising our transport to these events; the staff who accompany different groups and make these opportunities possible; and our PE linked governor Hannah Jarvis who has championed the role of PE in the school.

Staff update

I am delighted to confirm that Mrs Pearce will again be working across our classes and Mrs Reid will be joining as our new Special Needs co-ordinator. There will be a SEND coffee morning in September for those parents who would like more information and an opportunity to discuss your child with her.

Guinea Pigs

We still have a few slots that need filling to look after our very lovely guinea pigs..

📎 [Guinea pig rota-Summer 2024.pdf](#) if you are able to help look after them over the summer please speak to one of the class 1 team or email the school office; admin@littlegaddesden.herts.sch.uk

Hertfordshire update for childrens' vaccinations.

📄 240717_End of term letter to parents MMR and whooping cough.pdf

Information about secondary school choices can be found here.

📄 Moving On Open Events 2025 (for Y5 pupils).pdf



📄 Summer reading Challenge.pdf

Support for families locally

📄 DSPL8 ParentsCarers Newsletter - July Summer Term.pdf

📄 PHN Newsletter primary Summer2024 V2.pdf

📄 DFS North & East Newsletter 2024.pdf

📄 Family Lives Summer Term 2024 Groups and Workshops.jpg

📄 Smiles for Dacorum (1).pdf

Local information and activities

📄 VPA SUMMER SHOW-LG-School.docx.pdf

📄 LG Brownies Flyer.png

📄 LS Sports Day 21/9 Poster 2024.pdf

📄 futsal poster.png

📄 Summer Clubs Yoga Peaches.pdf 📄 free family summer fun.jpg

📄 PlayPark Hemel.pdf

📄 Fire & Rescue Newsletter Summer 2024.pdf 📄 Berkhamsted Disability Cricket session.pdf

📄 premier sport summer camp- Tring.pdf 📄 Game On Summer Holiday Courses 2024.pdf

📄 Basketball summer camp.jpg 📄 Girls Cricket.jpg

📄 Curiosity kids.png 📄 performing arts camp 2024.jpg

📄 Summer Sounds and Classic Cars 2024 Flyer - USE.pdf

📄 DENS_Castle_Walk_A4_Poster.jpg

Wishing you all an enjoyable and relaxing summer.

Lorna Elkes

Headteacher

FOLGS

A huge thanks to everyone who has been involved in organising, helping out on the day and staying behind to help clear up after one of our events. We have missed having a summer event

so are slightly behind our fundraising target for the school year, but are in a good place to move forward with events planned for the Autumn



Thanks to everyone who helped organise the Gaddesden Gallop, it was a huge success and also allowed the team to make a huge donation to Breast Cancer UK who were very grateful. Well done and thanks to Claire O, Hannah J, Claire B for organising the event and those that helped with the event and providing refreshments.

We are still recruiting for new FOLGS members...it's easier than you think, we're super organised and sometimes have a little fun too. Who's keen? Please speak to us in the playground as we'll start to get organised for next year in the next few weeks.

The Circus is coming...

Get your tickets now for the circus on September 19th....

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