

# Great Gaddesden C of E Primary School

# Weekly update - Spring Term '24: Week 5

#### **Religious Life of our School**

This week, we had a most inspiring Collective Worship led by Mrs Tisbury. The children retold the story of the feeding of the 5,000. We had some very enthusiastic disciples, who helped Jesus distribute a large number of pieces of bread and gathered up the leftovers in a number of baskets. The children were able to link this story with our monthly value of community, showing their understanding of different communities and how they are formed.



# Open classroom

It was lovely to welcome our Reception parents into the EYFS classroom on Tuesday afternoon. The children were able to share their pirate day and had great fun.



On Friday, Y3/4 welcomed their parents into class, where they worked together on a range of activities, including building home structures, mask designs and art activities.

Y1/2 + Y5/6 are looking forward to sharing their learning with their parents next week.



### **Chinese New Year**

On Friday, the children celebrated the Chinese New Year, with a range of activities, including dragon making and dancing, the cooking of Chinese cuisine and mask making.







## **Medications**

A reminder that any medicine to be administered to children in school, must be handed to the school office, with the completed medication administration form.

Please do not put any medicines (including cough/throat sweets) in the children's school bag. Many thanks for your support with this.

#### World Book Day; Thursday, 7th March

#### **Curriculum**

This year, in the w/beg. 4th March, all classes will be basing their English sessions on the book, 'Lift' by Minh L and Dan Santator. The children will use this book as the stimuli for their writing throughout the week.

#### <u>Dressing up</u>

This year, on World Book Day, all children are invited to dress up as a character from their class novel. Each class will be reading the following books:-

EYFS: Charlie Cook's Favourite Book by Julia Donaldson

Y1/2: The Far Away Tree by Enid Blyton

Y3/4: Danny, the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl

Y5/6: Cogheart by Peter Bunzl

#### **Arbor payments**

As we approach half term, please ensure that all Arbor balances are settled. Arbor now shows a total balance owed for each child in each family. For further detail, click on the number as directed. Childcare vouchers and tax free childcare can be used to settle After School Clubs etc. For further information, please

#### https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare

If you are having any difficulties making payment please

Payments

Total outstanding - all students

contact the -£50.00
School Office. Click to review accounts for all students and add a payment.

# **Diary dates:**

All dates are displayed on the School Calendar on the website. Please note that occasionally, it may be necessary to change dates. When this occurs, these will be highlighted to parents. Newly added dates are displayed in red.

12/02/24	7:00/8:15pm Online safety guidance for guide for parents
12/02/24	Pancake making day
13/02/24	Shrove Tuesday
15/02/24	2:00/3:00 Year 5/6 - Open classroom
16/02/24	2:00/3:00 Year 1/2 - Open classroom
19/02/24 - 23/02/24 Half term break	
29/02/24	Y1/2 Mixed sporting activities - Dacorum event at Everyone Active, Hemel.
04/03/24	Y5/6 - Magistrate workshop
07/03/24	World Book Day
10/03/24	Mother's Day
15.03/24	FOGGS disco
19/03/24	3:30/5:00 Parental Consultations
21/03/24	5:00/7:00 Parental Consultations
26/03/24	9:15 Easter Service in church
	Egg rolling competition
28/03/24	1:30 End of term

# **FOGGS FUNDRAISER**



# **Link for Parents' Online safety** support for children

Date: 12/02/24

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84487034250 ?pwd=UUFFMy9Kb2lESDVJVXZyTmdjbUJ

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Meeting ID: 844 8703 4250

Passcode: 514225



A new, on demand bus service has been set up within Dacorum. This service is to offer transport links from rural areas, including Great Gaddesden and neighbouring villages.

Please access further details of this facility via the following link.