



Great Gaddesden C of E Primary School

Weekly update - Summer Term '24 : Week 6

Religious Life of Our School

Our church Collective Worship this week, focused on the Holy Trinity. Mrs Tisbury used visual aids to explain the three-in-one belief, central to our Christian faith. The children listened intently and their answers showed very good understanding. All the children, from Nursery to Year 6, are to be congratulated on the way in which they are all so respectful at all times, when we are in church.



Staffing update

The governors are delighted to announce that after a rigorous recruitment process, they have appointed Mr Matt Beach as the next headteacher of Great Gaddesden School. Mr Beach has the experience of being a senior leader in other schools and brings with him, a passion for equality and inclusion.

Transition meetings will be taking place in order to ensure a smooth transition for when Mr Beach starts his role in September.

We are also pleased to be welcoming Miss Roseanna Bonney to our staff in September. Miss Bonney will be joining the Year 1/2 teaching team and will be teaching on a Thursday and Friday.

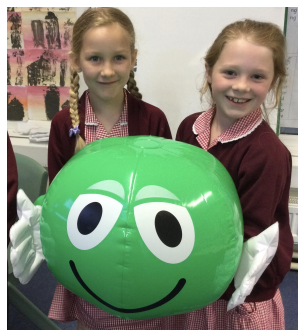
In July, all the children will start a period of transition in preparation for their new classes in September. They will spend time with their new teachers and support staff, so that they settle into their new classes successfully when they return to school after the summer holidays.

NSPCC Visit to School

On Tuesday, we were visited by Jane & Amanda from the NSPCC, who delivered their 'Speak Out. Stay Safe' workshop to Years 2, 5 & 6. In addition, children in Years 1, 3 & 4 watched the NSPCC assembly and discussed ways in which they can keep themselves safe.

At an age-appropriate level, the children were taught to:-

- understand abuse in all its forms and recognise the signs of abuse
- understand that abuse is never a child's fault, and they have the right to be safe
- know how to get help, and the sources of help available to them, including our Childline service.



EYFS Sports Event

Our EYFS children had an absolutely fantastic time at the Dacorum Sports Event this week! They were superbly behaved, listening and following instructions very well. Every child gave 100% and tried their very best in all the events. These included Stepping Stones, Space Hoppers, Throwing Beanbags, Curling, Bean Bag Balancing, Speed Stacking and Egg + Spoon. We are extremely proud of each and every one of them and the way in which they represented our school. In our Celebration Assembly this week, the whole school congratulated them on scoring the highest number of points across all the events and finishing **FIRST** in the competition out of all the other schools competing. A fantastic achievement!

Well done !



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**.*

HALF TERM	
w/beg. 03/06/24	Y4 : multiplication timetable check
06/06/24	Class photos
17/6/24- 20/6/24	Our Small Church School Week
20/06/24	Sports Day + family picnic
21/6/24	INSET
25/06/24	KS1 Dacorum Schools Partnership Olympics- Hemel
Sunday 30/06/24	Family Church Service + fun day (details to follow)
09/07/24	Dacorum Music Festival
19/07/24	1:30 summer term ends

May Half Term Fun

25 - 31 May 2024

Join us as we celebrate national Bee and Biscuit days, step back in time to Roman Bucks and make your own wildflower seed-bomb or puppet plus lots more!

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



FREE

Saturday 25 May – Spring Into Summer – Family Day
FREE with standard admission charges, drop in 10am - 4pm.
Suitable for ages 3+.

TALKING FAMILIES



Tuesdays 8.00-9.30pm Online Course: ID 656
16th April - 21st May 2024

Tuesdays 9.45-11.15am Online Course: ID 653
4th June - 9th July 2024

**6, weekly sessions for
parents and carers of children
aged 0-12 sharing tips on how
to:**

- **Manage challenging behaviour with consistency**
- **Encourage positive behaviour**
- **Build your child's self esteem**
- **Set and maintain boundaries**
- **Respond to tantrums and difficult feelings in children**
- **Develop a strong parent/child relationship now and for the future**

**Our online support sessions are
delivered weekly via Zoom.
Groups are open to parents, carers,
grandparents and guardians living,
or with a child in school, in
Hertfordshire.**

**'Every parent should do this course!
It has taught me so much about how to
deal with family life.'**

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