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**Newsletter 24** 

Friday 15th March 2024

## **Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Deene trip to Leicester Space Centre, see separate email Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Service, 2pm, Little Addington Church Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – EYFS Easter bonnet parade
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – LAST DAY OF TERM

# **Easter Half-term Holiday**

Monday 15th April - FIRST DAY OF TERM

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April - Lilford trip to Chester House – information and payment on Parent-Pay Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Wear YELLOW for Air Ambulance. Cash donations will be collected at the school gate. Air Ambulance will be joining us in school on this day

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April –** Book Fair in school – Deene Class – 3pm

Friday 25th April - Book Fair in school - Lilford Class - 3pm

Monday 29th April - Book Fair in school - Lamport Class - 3pm

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April –** Book Fair in school – Rockingham Class – 3pm

Monday 6th May - BANK HOLIDAY

**Monday 13<sup>TH</sup> May –** Year 6 SATs week

Friday 17<sup>TH</sup> May - School Year Group photos

Friday 24th May - Last day of term

### **May Half-term Holiday**

Wednesday 5<sup>TH</sup> June - E-Safety Parent's Workshop - all invited, School Hall, 3:30pm

Week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Year 6 SATs National Testing week Week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check week Week commencing Monday 10 June 2024 – Year 1 Phonics Screen Check week





# A note from the PSA and Comic Relief

We hope everyone enjoyed pyjama day for comic relief today! We raised a brilliant total of: £75 with still more coming in!

Don't forget about our bags2schools collection, which is on 17<sup>th</sup> April. Bags will come home next Friday, if you fill your bag or misplace it you can also use binbags. If you have any uniform you are planning to get rid of, don't put it in the bag, you can give it to the school.

# This half-term, the school is recognising it's value of 'Perseverance'



This week, we are celebrating Leila who has been building her perseverence and resiliance this week. Lots of adults have noticed Leila's big smile and she should be very proud of her self-determination.

We also have 5 new members of the 144 Club this week and 3 children who completed their House-Points Cards. Well done to everyone who achieved a certificate this week!



#### **Staff**

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Titcombe. Miss Titcombe has thoroughly enjoyed her time teaching our wonderful children in Lilford Class, who have taught her so much within her first years as a Teacher.

Miss Titcombe will be missed by us all here at Great Addington and we wish her the best of luck as she embarks on her next chapter.

We have shared the news with the children and the school community today and we will keep you informed with updates. Please do contact the school if you have any further questions, but also, do please pass on your good wishes to Miss Titcombe when you see her.

### **Uniform**

Just a polite reminder of the expectations around school uniform. We are noticing several 'variations' to uniform in school recently. Please see the school website for the full School Uniform Policy.

## The highlights are:

The school colour is royal blue and the various options are as follows:

- White/royal blue polo shirt or shirt, with or without the school logo;
- Royal blue sweatshirt, cardigan or jumper, with or without the school logo;
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress;
- Blue gingham dress in summer;
- White, grey or black socks; grey, or black wool tights;
- Smart black shoes (trainers are not permitted, except for sports);
- Long hair tied back; hair accessories in school colours (royal blue, silver or black);
- No jewellery except a watch (not a smart watch) and one pair of stud earrings;
- No nail varnish;

#### **OPTIONAL**

- · School fleece (with logo);
- School waterproof (fleece lined; reversible);

## P.E.

- Plain white/royal blue t-shirt with or without school logo;
- Blue or black shorts;
- Trainers (plimsolls (pumps) for indoor work are optional);
- · Jogging bottoms and a tracksuit top or the winter;
- · Kit should remain in school in a named bag;
- During PE long hair should always be plaited or tied back. No jewellery is permitted;

**Earrings** – please ensure that these are appropriately covered BEFORE arriving at school on PE days. Although we can provide support and advice, staff are not permitted to help with covering earrings so arriving with this already done is extremely helpful.

Please also remember that no jewellery, make-up or 'accessories/embellishments' to the uniform should be worn to school.

**What to bring to school** – please just check that no toys from home are sneaking into rucksacks and pockets. We wouldn't like to see things getting lost or damaged and the children are far too busy in school to be needing their own toys!

Healthy snacks – free fruit is provided in abundance for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 and there is always a good variety to choose from. If you do feel like you'd like to send additional snacks to school, and for those children in KS2, please can these be a healthy- option where possible? We are aiming for our Healthy Schools Award and promote healthy-lifestyles and well-being within our school curriculum, so please help by supporting this with choosing healthy contents in lunchboxes. Many thanks!



# **Nursery from September 2024**

We are delighted to announce that the school will be offering a nursery setting for children aged 3-4 years, from September 2024. Early Years Foundation Stage is already established within the school with high quality, trained teaching. The changes will allow the school to provide the fantastic opportunity to access our consistent, high-quality education within the school setting. By engaging families sooner within our school community, we can build longer and stronger relationships with the children. This setting will give the younger children the opportunity to be wholly prepared to begin their school life in Reception.

If you wish to apply for a nursery place to start in September for a sibling of a child already at the school, please speak to the school office.



# Official Photographs are in!

They're here! At the start of term, we welcomed a professional photographer into school who spent the day capturing a-day-in-the-life at Great Addington. The photos are fantastic! Here is a little sneak preview:



Yours sincerely,

**Lucy Kingsnorth** 

**Principal**