



# Great Gaddesden C of E (VA) Primary School

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Dear Parents of EYFS pupils,

## EYFS Newsletter

Another fantastic week for us all in EYFS ! We started off the week joining the school by walking up to the war memorial in the churchyard, where Rev'd John Russell led prayers and we all observed the 2 minute silence. EYFS buddied up with Y5/6 children who helped the younger children to stand quietly and respectfully.

Following on from Bonfire Night, the children have been learning about the Emergency Services this week. We have been focusing on the Fire Service in particular. We have learnt safety rules and learnt about a firefighter's job. We were even lucky enough to have a fire engine come to the school! The firefighters talked to the children about their job and what it entails. They were shown the uniform (which Mrs Benson had the experience of trying on!) as well as the air canister and mask equipment. The children were also shown the ladders and hoses and all the other equipment inside the fire engine. They got the opportunity to climb aboard and hear the siren. This led to lots of discussion, using new vocabulary, great role play, small world and construction play as well as creative junk modelling. The children also made a card to say thank you to the firefighters for taking the time to come and see us!

The children have been focusing on number 5 this week. They have looking at different representations of number 5, different ways of making the number 5, how to form the number 5, learning one more and less than 5 and buying things in the 5p shop.

As part of Anti-Bullying week and National Kindness Day this week, the children have been focusing on the theme 'It's cool to be kind'. We have linked this back to our rules: We are kind; kind hands, kind mouths, kind feet and kind heart. The children have thought about kind words to say and how we feel when people are kind to us.

The children have begun practising for their Celebration assembly and started singing some songs for the Christmas Nativity so you may start to hear snippets from them!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Benson and the EYFS team.

