

# GREAT GADDESSEN C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Autumn 1

Friday, 6th September 2019

### Message from the Head

It has been lovely to welcome back all the children, who all look well rested and smart in their school uniform. We extend a very warm welcome to our new Reception and Nursery children. It has been lovely to welcome them to our school this week as they start their primary education with us in Great Gaddesden School.



During the summer holidays, building work took place in the school. Mr Leo Scarborough, our parent Governor with responsibility for the school premises, oversaw the final part of the school roof being replaced. On behalf of the school, I extend our thanks to Mr Scarborough, who ensured that all went well with the project. We also have had new CCTV cameras and monitors installed, covering a wider area than previously. This helps us to keep our children safe at all times.

Please see dates for this term overleaf. These are also on the calendar on the school website: [www.greatgaddesden.herts.sch.uk](http://www.greatgaddesden.herts.sch.uk). Occasionally, it may be necessary to change a date and this will be communicated as soon as possible prior to the event.

#### CURRICULUM INFORMATION

##### SESSIONS

Please see the dates on the list, for the class curriculum mornings scheduled for week beginning September 16th. These Curriculum Information sessions will give the teachers the opportunity to share class routines, curriculum details and expectations for the year. A curriculum booklet for each class will be available on the class page of the website, for your reference following these meetings.

#### BLESSING OF THE SCHOOL AND

##### GROUNDS



On Friday, 13th September, Rev'd John Russell will lead our annual blessing of the school and grounds. This will take place at 9:00 a.m. in the school playground. All families are most welcome to join us. Following this, the EYFS (Nursery and Reception) parents are invited to join us for a Welcome and Play session, until 10:30.

##### WELCOME

This term, we are delighted to welcome Mr Alleyne to our staff. Mr Alleyne will be supporting our older children with their learning.

#### Monthly Value:

##### RESPONSIBILITY

We have reviewed the way in which we promote our monthly values.

This year, we will continue to focus on one Christian value per month, using it to guide our behaviour and decision making. Every week, each class will jointly decide on a class member who they consider has used the value to guide them during the week. At our Celebration Assembly on a Thursday, the nominated children will peg their photo onto a branch of our value tree. This week, Henry, Lilly and Harriet were nominated to start off the tree of Responsibility'.



#### GREAT GADDESSEN SCHOOL COUNCIL

The new School Council members were all voted in this week and were awarded their badges at Celebration Assembly this week. They have all been democratically selected by their peers and we are very proud to announce that our School Council consists of :- Lucy (Chair person), Robyn, Reece, Harrison, Ollie D and Sophie. Congratulation to you all, children. We look forward to hearing from you all soon.

#### Prayer of Responsibility

*Please God, help us to be responsible for our actions and please help us with our decision making.*