

Great Gaddesden CE (VA) Primary School

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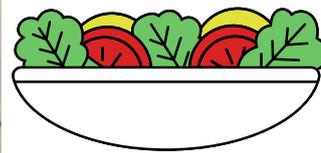


Weekly update

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another very warm week here at Great Gaddesden.

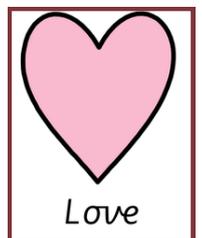
Earlier this week, the children were very excited to see that we now have our own salad cart! Every day (apart from Friday), children having a school lunch will have access to this. Thank you to Louise (our catering assistant), for supporting us to implement this new initiative.



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This month's values are:



As per my separate communication earlier this week, on Monday we will be visited by Mr Wilcock (SIAMs Inspector). He will be exploring everything that makes us unique as a Church school such as exploring our theologically rooted vision, observing collective worship, exploring our RE curriculum and spirituality provision as well as exploring how we develop a culture where the children become agents of change, responsible and active citizens.

We are expecting some cooler weather this weekend. However, hopefully, it will not rain too much!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr M. Beach - Headteacher

'Treat others exactly as you would like to be treated yourself.' (Luke 6:31)

Woodland worship



On Wednesday, Year 3 and 4 started their forest school morning with child-led collective worship in the woods. Amelie and Ophelia led a beautiful worship which focused upon the natural world, looking after our environment and all the wonderful things that God has provided for us. We then joined in with a range of activities including den building, tree climbing, whittling and toasting marshmallows in a tin! We all had a lovely time and even managed to avoid most of the rain!



Learners of the week



Star Learners

This week, the following learners below were chosen by their class teacher for demonstrating **excellent learning behaviours**:

Early years	Fredrik
Year 1/2	Amelia
Year 3/4	Lily
Year 5/6	Pheobe

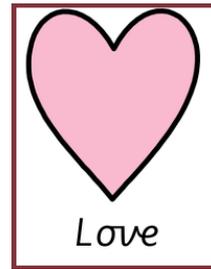
Headteacher awards:

- William

Value Ambassadors

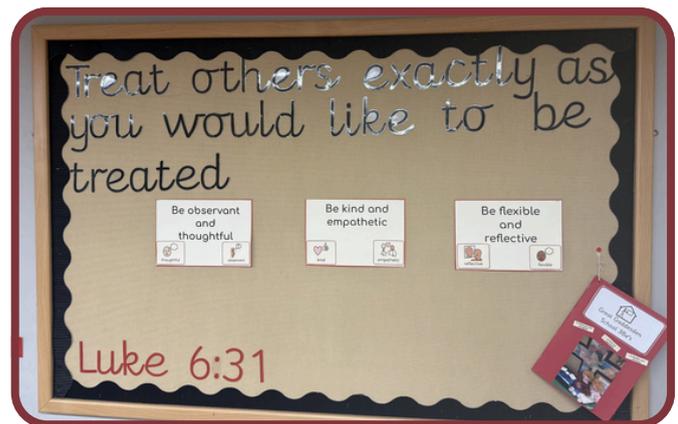
This week, the following learners below were nominated for demonstrating **'love'** and **'friendship'** (our values of the month):

Early years	Maeve
Year 1/2	Elissa
Year 3/4	Amelie
Year 5/6	Dolly



Mission Ambassador

This week, **Ellie** was awarded as our 'Mission Ambassador'. Ellie joined Great Gaddesden this term and has very quickly understood our mission statement, can discuss our 3Be's confidently and recall the values we have been learning! Well done!

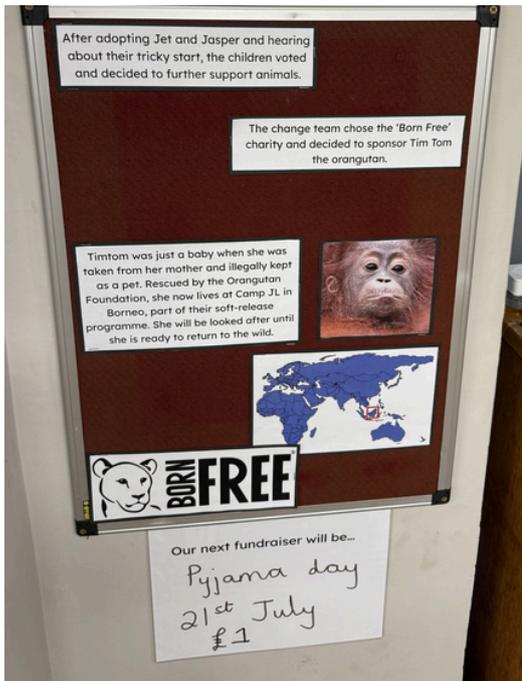


Attendance

OUR OVERALL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS: 93%
OUR OVERALL ATTENDANCE SO FAR THIS YEAR IS: 94%



Change team



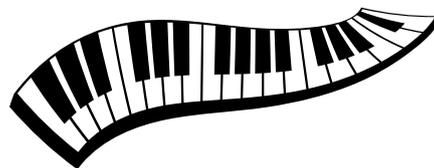
Following on from the whole school vote earlier in the term to decide which cause we are going to support next, the Change Team shared in collective worship all about Tim Tom the orangutan that was rescued and now lives in Borneo. Tim Tom is supported by the Born Free charity and for our first fund raiser, the Change Team have decided on a **pyjama day on 21st July**. After the first donation, we will receive a mascot, certificate and regular updates on Tim Tom. The Change Team have decided that the mascot will be sent home with the mission ambassador of the week with a diary to share what he has been up to.

Key dates

July

7th Early Years Stay & Play/Welcome Meeting (for new families joining Nursery & Reception) 2-3:00pm
8th Y6 Trip to Chessington
8th Y1/2 Forest School (afternoon)
11th FOGGs Summer Party
15th Early Years 25/26 Parent Meeting 4:30-5:30pm
18th End of Year Reports sent out
18th Maypole & Country Dancing 2:30pm in the playground (parents welcome)
21st July Change Team have organised our first fundraiser (Pyjama Day)
22nd Y6 Leavers Service at 9am (St John's Church)
22nd Term Ends @1:30pm
23rd Occasional day

Piano



Mrs Seodi will have two vacancies for piano tuition from September.

If your child would like to start piano lessons, please email Mrs Seodi directly:

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