

JUNE 2018

Great Gaddesden C of E VA School

For Children Aged 3-11

Over the last month we have had lots of activities at the school, such as...

May Day celebrations

This year we had a break in the weather and actually held our May day celebrations in May! (the only dry afternoon up to that point and the start of the may good weather). The children had worked so hard on their routines and it truly was a fantastic, happy and fun afternoon celebrating.

The maypole dancing is always a great display of colour (and aptitude), very intricate and methodical and a real testament to their teachers.

Reception and Nursery were supported in their dance by Miss Ayres and Mrs Waites, the children even came on for an encore at the end of the afternoon, which gave their parents a chance to join in; this is an essential rite of passage for any new parent to the school to come and dance in front of the other parents...much to their delight.

Years 1 to 5 were diligent and practiced their routines, performing with a mixture of smiles and concentration on their faces.

But Year 6 really surpassed themselves by creating and performing their own routines to show us all.

Congratulations to all staff and students.

Healthy eating week

We all know that it is important to eat a healthy diet and the students had a chance to prove it by keeping a food diary showing what they had been eating. The students learnt about the different food groups and food types from different continents.

The whole school planned, prepared and shared school meals. We had numerous food combinations suggested (some more desirable than others!) but were treated to homemade dips and crudities to start, vegetable rice with pitta bread, fresh fruit salad and smoothies. A learning and tasting sensation for everyone.

Nursery and Reception had a visit from the Police

The police (not Sting) visit was a great support to Early Years' work on "People Who Help Us", as they currently have a police station "role play" set up in the classroom. The class have even gone as far as to write and issue tickets for traffic offences when out on their bikes and scooters!...so please don't park your scooters on any yellow lines!

The rest of the school also had the opportunity to get involved and find out more about the work the police do.

Also last month

We wished students luck with their Key Stage 2 SATS exams, and saw Y3 & 4 take a trip to the Roald Dahl museum, Y1 & 2 went to Windsor Castle, Y5 & 6 visited the Monastery, as well as some over exuberant watering by Early Years students in the allotment; plus, we had our sports day!

Key dates for your diary.

Saturday, 2nd June – Bunnings Apsley - Friends of Great Gaddesden School Sausage Sizzle

Thursday, 14th June – St John's Church, Boxmoor - Y2 Singing Festival

Monday, 16th July – Great Gaddesden School – Nursery Pre visit

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