

Newsletter



Friday 5th June 2026

Safeguarding

Please can I remind all parents and carers that it is important that you are truthful about why your child is absent from school. The children often tell their friends and teachers about why they are absent. The school has a duty of care to know where they are if not in school.

Newsletters

Following on from a recent safeguard conference, we will no longer be putting pictures of children in our newsletters. These will now be shared on Class or Whole School Dojo. This is due to AI being misused and us, as a school, wanting to protect our children and their families. Dojo is safer and more secure as only our parents can view these images.

Staff News

We recognise that when staff leave this is concerning for parents and upsetting for the children. However, I want to reassure you that we do everything we can to support staff.

It is with a heavy heart that I have accepted Ms Segui resignation. Ms Segui only joined us in January and, has made a big difference to our SEND provision. Ms Segui has loved working with us but due to family circumstances she is looking to work closer to home. We will be advertising for a new SENDco.

My Happy Mind - launching at Grendon Underwood School on 1st June!

This week we launched myHappyMind in assembly. The children seem to be very receptive. Staff have also completed all of their onboarding training.

Every Monday at 9 am the whole school will be completing a 20 minute myHappyMind session. This will then be referred to during the week.

Your child should have a QR code in their reading diaries, so that you can access the parent app. A separate letter has also been sent to you.

This term the first module is: meet your brain.

An introduction letter and newsletter will be sent via Parentmail.

You can access an introduction video on the link below:

<https://myhappymind.lpages.co/myhappymind-parent-app-introduction/>

A reminder

Please can we request that no toys, including fidget toys, cuddly animals, pens, keyrings (including on bags) etc are brought in from home. These are causing issues in some classes and, in some cases, having a negative effect on the learning that is taking place. If these are brought in, staff will remove them and return them to your child or you at the end of the day. We have enough resources in school to support children who need them. We will have communicated with parents if there are exceptions to this because of a diagnosed need. We really appreciate your understanding and with this. Despite this being communicated for the past 4 weeks, children are still bringing in unnecessary belongings to school.

Classes and transitions

Next Friday, I will be writing to all parents outlining the staffing structure for next year. This will show the year groups and teaching teams.

Tuesday 7th July is move up day when children will spend the day with their new teaching team.

Ms Segui is holding a SEND transition workshops on Thursday 18th June 9 am - 9:45 am and 2:30 pm - 3:15 pm. These sessions will look at what we are doing to support children and what you can do to help.

Calendar dates:

Last year, I tried very hard to add all calendar dates to the newsletter as our old website did not have a clear and easy to use calendar. Our new website's calendar is much easier to navigate for parents. Please see here: <https://www.gucs.org.uk/calendar/?calid=2&pid=6&viewid=2>

Moving forward - I will add any new dates, added to the calendar, in the newsletter.

Fresh Start

This week we started with our new lunch provider. As expected there were a few teething issues but generally the food has been well received. I have had lunches myself this week and I am very impressed with the taste and quality.

Please remember it is the responsibility of the parents to provide lunches by either booking them or physically providing them. It is not the school's responsibility.



Child Safety Week



This week has been Child Safety Week. Each class has looked at how they can keep safe:

Year 1 became safety detectives as we explored what it means to stay safe in our everyday lives. We discussed a range of important safety topics, including road safety, staying safe around electrical sockets, protecting ourselves from the sun and practising good hygiene. The children shared lots of thoughtful ideas and examples from their own experiences. To put their knowledge into practice, they worked together to sort pictures into safe and unsafe behaviours, explaining their choices and demonstrating an excellent understanding of how to make sensible decisions to keep themselves and others safe.

Year 2 - In our water safety work this week we have learnt why we might end up in the water accidentally and how the shock of cold water can be dangerous. We then learnt how to 'float to live'. We practised making a very wide star shape on our backs.

BUCKS COUNTY SHOW

Thursday 27th August 2026

SCHOOL OFFER!



FREE Child Tickets!

You can book entry tickets online and take advantage of our **FREE child ticket** offer. Get up to 3 FREE child tickets (up to 16yrs) with each full paying Adult or Over 65 ticket. To redeem, simply use code **SCHOOL26** at checkout.

Visit www.buckscountyshow.co.uk/tickets or scan the QR code



T&Cs: Offer valid online only. Must be booked using the code SCHOOL26. Not valid with the use of any other offers. Offer ends midnight 26.08.26

GRENDON UNDERWOOD ANNUAL BBQ

20TH JUNE
4PM TO 8PM

GRENDON
UNDERWOOD
VILLAGE HALL

IN AID OF ST
LEONARD'S CHURCH



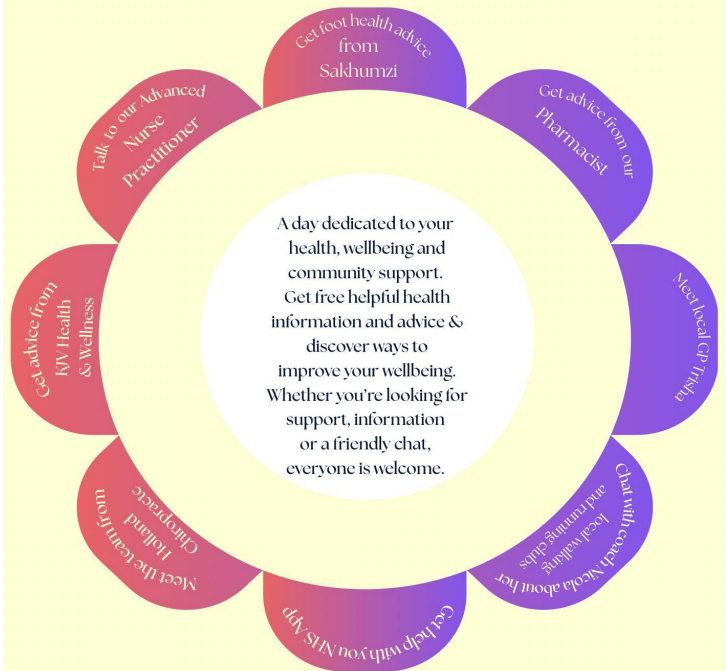
Adults £15, Children
12 & under £5,
Family (2A + 2C) £35

Tickets:



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FREE WELLBEING DAY AT WADDESDON SURGERY SATURDAY 6TH JUNE 2026 10AM - 3PM



No appointment needed
Goss Avenue, Waddesdon, HP18 0LY