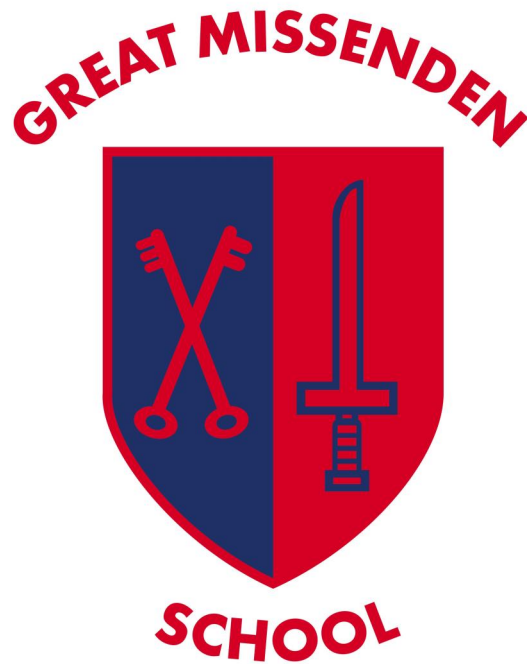




## Great Missenden School - Autumn 3

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*We aspire to walk together in hope along the Great Missenden pathway, guided by our Christian Values of **Faith** and **Community**, **Love** and **Respect**, **Truth** and **Courage**. We strive to enable children to use their educational keys to open doors and unlock their full potential, regardless of their starting points. We aim to look through windows into the wider world and reflect upon the big questions of life by looking at ourselves in the mirror. We seek to develop global citizens who are ready for the challenges of a fast-paced, evolving society.*

***“Ask, and you will receive. Search, and you will find. Knock, and the door will be opened for you.” Matthew 7:7-8***

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Newsletter (Autumn 3) -18th September July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday!

Another really positive week at GM, finishing with a fabulous Dahlicious Day today! The whole school looked incredible and the children had a brilliant time taking part in lots of fun activities alongside their usual learning. Thank you all for getting behind it and supporting with such fantastic costumes. There were some amazing efforts across the school!

A big thank you to the PTA for supporting our Reception and Year 3 parent social event this week, and thank you to everyone who came along. It was a lovely opportunity to meet other parents, make a few new connections and hopefully feel even more a part of Team GM.

Our PTA do so much to support the children and help fund the extras that we simply would not otherwise be able to afford. If you think you could help run an event, join the PTA, or even just lend a hand for an hour or two at one of their events, please do consider getting involved. Every bit of help really does make a difference.

Congratulations too to the children who were successful in being appointed as our new House Captains. It is a big responsibility, but we know they are going to be fantastic role models and do a great job supporting their houses throughout the year.

There are lots more pupil leadership roles being announced very soon as well. Our School Council had their first meeting on Monday and already have lots of exciting ideas for how they can make a difference to our school. It is great to see the children so keen to take responsibility, have their say and help make GM even better.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Johnny

## Attendance Update

Please see Mrs Magee's email regarding attendance that was sent today.

Let's work together to make this school year our best yet, with **100% effort and 100% attendance!**

This weeks attendance is a brilliant 98% - Well done everyone, lets keep it up!

**Congratulations to Reception who achieved 100% attendance!**

## House Captains & Vice Captains

 Introducing Our House Captains & Vice Captains! 

A huge congratulations to the Year 6 pupils who have been chosen as our **House Captains and Vice Captains** for this school year!

Our House Captains will be important role models for the whole school, setting a positive example through their actions, attitude and teamwork. They will help to encourage everyone to get involved, support their house and, most importantly, help us all to stay Ready, Respectful and Safe

We are incredibly proud of everyone who put themselves forward and showed such enthusiasm and confidence during the selection process.

 **Carrington House**  Captains: **Remy and Sadie**  Vice Captains: **Annabel and Anelise**

 **Chiltern House**  Captains: **Harry M and Emmie**  Vice Captains: **Henry M and Effie**

 **Hampden House**  Captains: **Daniel and Fizz**  Vice Captains: **Harry P and Eleanor**

 **Penn House**  Captains: **Fraser and Ava**  Vice Captains: **Luke and Kitty**

We can't wait to see our new House Leaders in action. **Congratulations to all of you — we know you'll be fantastic role models!** 

## Brilliant Book

### Preschool - Elias:

Elias is in the Brilliant Book for being a fantastic member of Pre-School. He joins in enthusiastically with all activities, helps to tidy up without being asked, and is always a kind and caring friend to others. Well done, Elias!

### Reception - Xander:

Xander is a superstar! He comes into school each day with a big smile and a real enthusiasm for learning. He has worked incredibly hard in Phonics this week and should be very proud of his progress. Xander has also produced some super work in his handwriting book, showing excellent effort and a positive attitude towards all his learning. Keep up the fantastic work, Xander!

### 1C - Freddie F:

You have had an incredible week! You have worked so hard on your phonics and have shown how ready you are to learn in maths. You are such a creative child, and your toilet roll costume

was definitely a highlight of the week! Keep creating and sharing your wonderful ideas You are amazing!

**2M - Finley P:**

Finley has had a brilliant week in Maths. He always tries his best and works incredibly hard. He has also been giving us some fantastic answers during our reasoning and problem-solving activities. Keep up the amazing work Finley!

**3AH - Rosanna:**

For putting all her effort into everything we do and regularly contributing to class discussions and sharing her ideas.

**3VW - Alex:**

Since Alex has started at GM he has been a true role model and consistently showing our school values. He is always helping others and it doesn't go unnoticed. Alex has been working very hard in maths and created his own brilliant digital device in computing. Well done, Alex!

**4A - Reggie:**

Reggie is starting to show his potential in year 4 this year. He is proving himself to be trustworthy and hard working. This week he did some AMAZING phonics with Miss Janusz and has also had some brilliant handwriting and English lessons. What a star!

**4C - Oscar:**

Oscar has stood out to me this week for his communication and problem-solving. He has shared how he is feeling and has asked for support when he needs it. This has helped him to focus on his learning and apply himself more consistently in class. Oscar has demonstrated maturity, resilience and determination. He should be very proud of his achievements this week. Keep it up, Oscar!

**5T - Molly:**

Molly has been impressing everyone this week with her love of writing. She shares lovely inspiration and ideas in class and challenges herself to improve her use of language. She shone during our lesson on similes and metaphors. Keep it up Molly!

**5F - Miller:**

Miller has been fantastic this week. She always shows a wonderful attitude to her learning – listening carefully, following instructions and coming in with great enthusiasm and resilience. Well done, Miller!

### **6H - Remy:**

Remy is always an absolute super star in 6H. He consistently shows that he is ready, respectful and safe and is a great role model for everyone in this school! He put in so much effort with his house captain speech – even putting some interactivity in there! Well done for everything you do.

### **6B - Jack E:**

Jack has been absolutely brilliant this week! He has worked incredibly hard on all his writing and created beautiful setting descriptions using all the tools we have learnt. He also consistently is THE example in our class for respect and for being the first to stop talking and to listen when doing partner work. Well done, Jack!

### **6P - Birdie:**

Birdie has worked whizzbang-wonderfully hard this week! Her English writing has been scrumdiddlyumptious, even Roald Dahl couldn't have dreamed up a fridge on an iceberg to hook a reader. Glorumptious work, Birdie! Well done you!

## Office Update

- **After School Clubs:**

There are still places in some of the teacher clubs, including the new Introduction to European Languages. These can be booked on [school gateway](#)

## PTA Update

 What a Colour Run!

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to the Colour Run last Saturday - the smiles (and the mess!) said it all. If you weren't there... let's just say you missed one seriously colourful afternoon!

Thank you to all our amazing volunteers who helped make it happen, and a special shout out to Katherine and Sophie for organising such a brilliant event - we are very grateful.

 There's a sweet sale after school on Friday at Buryfields - pop by if you're around!

 **Dates for the Diary**

 5th October – PTA Meeting @ The Cross Keys

👯 14th October – School Disco

🎃 23rd October – Second-hand Halloween Uniform Sale

💻 2nd November – PTA Meeting, 7.30pm (online)

💣 7th November – Fireworks Night

👯 16th & 17th December – Aylesbury Theatre Panto - Sleeping Beauty, 6pm

👯 30th December – Aylesbury Theatre Panto - Sleeping Beauty, 1pm

👯 10th February – School Disco

🧠 19th March – PTA Quiz

🚗 18th April 2027 – Car Boot Sale (our first ever!)

☀️ 3rd July – Summer Fete

Currently we don't have enough volunteers to organise our Christmas singalong - if you are interested in helping out reach out to PTA member or via your class rep, we'd love to have you on board.

Next week we'll be sharing how much we raised last year and our exciting plans for where the money's going this year - watch this space!

Lucy (mum to Daisy and Louis)

PTA Chair



A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration of a fairground at night. The scene is filled with colorful fireworks exploding in the dark sky. In the background, a large Ferris wheel is visible. In the foreground, there are several stalls: a 'HOG ROAST' stall with a pig icon, a 'BAR' stall with a sign that says 'REFRESHMENTS & LICENSED BAR', and a 'FAIRGROUND RIDES' stall. A crowd of people, including families with children, are gathered around the stalls. The overall atmosphere is festive and celebratory.

# FIREWORKS NIGHT!

**SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**  
**GREAT MISSENDEN**  
Church of England School

**HOG ROAST**  
**BAR**  
REFRESHMENTS & LICENSED BAR  
**FAIRGROUND RIDES**

**★ GATES OPEN 5pm ★**  
• FEATURING: •  
**HOG ROAST | BAR | FAIRGROUND RIDES**  
**SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS DISPLAY!**  
**MUSIC & FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!**  
LOCATION: GREAT MISSENDEN C of E School

## Perform Scholarship



**Perform SCHOLARSHIP**

**Would your child benefit from weekly drama, dance and singing classes?**

Designed to boost confidence, communication, concentration and coordination, Perform classes for 4-7s combine drama-based games and fun activities with a termly performance.

[perform.org.uk](http://perform.org.uk)

**To celebrate the launch of our new school, we are offering selected children a free scholarship for a full term.**

To nominate your child, please email their name, age, school, your contact details and why you think they'd benefit to:  
**Hannah Conway**  
[hannahconway@perform.org.uk](mailto:hannahconway@perform.org.uk)

**Perform Scholarship venue:**

Perform Great Missenden  
Oldham Hall, HP16 0BA  
Drama, dance & singing classes for:  
4-7s: Thursdays 4pm-5pm  
4-7s: Thursdays 5.05pm-6.05pm

## Safeguarding

### **The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Lucia Magee (Attendance & Welfare Officer)**

The Additional Safeguarding Leads are Mr Johnny Magee (Headteacher), Mrs Pearson (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs Angell (Assistant Headteacher) Mrs Rebecca Marsh (Inclusion coordinator), Mrs Kelly Walford (HLTA) and Mrs Kate Eld (School Administrator) . **The Safeguarding Governor is Mike O'Farrell.**

The Designated Person for Looked After Children (LAC) is Rebecca Marsh The Designated Teacher for Looked After Children and Pupil Premium Champion is Mrs Rebecca Marsh, Inclusion Manager. The Deputy Designated Teacher for Looked After Children is Steph Ekins.

**If you are concerned about the safety of a child, you can email the DSL on [safeguarding@gmglt.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@gmglt.co.uk) or you can contact the [Buckinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board](#)**

## Community News and Events

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Berry Lane, Milton Keynes, MK17 8HS



## OCTOBER CAMP

WHEN: MON 26<sup>TH</sup> - WEDS 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

WHERE: BEACONSFIELD GUIDE HUT

TIME: 9.30AM-3.00PM

EARLY BIRD: 9.00AM

AGES: 3 - 10 YEARS

COST: £45.00

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E: [hello@calmlittleminds.co.uk](mailto:hello@calmlittleminds.co.uk)

# AUTUMN SUPER SWISH

JOIN THE ECO-FRIENDLY REVOLUTION



## SWAP YOUR WAY TO A BRAND-NEW WARDROBE

**SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER AT THE ELGIVA**  
CLOTHES DROP OFF: 9.30–10.30AM / SWISH 10.30–11.30AM

**FREE TO ATTEND**

The  
**Elgiva**

For more info, visit: [www.elgiva.com](http://www.elgiva.com)



# AUTUMN SUPER SWISH

SWAP YOUR WAY TO AN AUTUMN-READY WARDROBE!

## What's a Swish?

Fall into Autumn and join us on 12<sup>th</sup> September at our super clothes swap. Swish is a straightforward, sustainable way to refresh your wardrobe – out with the old, and in with the (nearly) new. It's sustainable, social and stylish!

## How does it work?

- 📌 Bring up to five good-quality, clean clothing items – once-loved, but ready for a second chance.
- 📌 Women's, men's, children's and baby clothes all welcome.
- 📌 Hand them in when you arrive and receive up to five tokens in exchange (one token per item).
- 📌 Then it's time to Swish! Browse the rails and discover your next amazing Autumn favourite – guilt-free and new-to-you!



**JOIN THE ECO-FRIENDLY FASHION REVOLUTION**

[www.elgiva.com](http://www.elgiva.com) / 01494 582900

## Family Advice and Education

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| <b>October Timetable</b>                                                           |              |
| All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long               |              |
| <b>£24 each or FREE with School Membership</b>                                     |              |
| Book online at <a href="https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk">facefamilyadvice.co.uk</a> |              |
| Recordings available for 48 hours                                                  |              |
| Raising Self-Esteem                                                                | 5 Oct 10am   |
| Supporting Healthy Sleep                                                           | 5 Oct 7pm    |
| Decreasing Depression                                                              | 6 Oct 10am   |
| Introduction to OCD                                                                | 6 Oct 7pm    |
| Improving Family Communication                                                     | 12 Oct 10am  |
| What is ACT?                                                                       | 12 Oct 7pm   |
| Understanding Addictive Behaviour                                                  | 13 Oct 10am  |
| Supporting a Child with ADHD                                                       | 13 Oct 7pm   |
| Understanding Anger                                                                | 19 Oct 10am  |
| Understanding the Teenage Brain                                                    | 19 Oct 7pm   |
| Supporting Healthy Screen Use                                                      | 20 Oct 10am  |
| Autism: Improving Communication                                                    | 20 Oct 7pm   |
| <b>FREE - ADHD and Homework</b>                                                    | 22 Oct 7-8pm |
| Facing Defiance                                                                    | 26 Oct 10am  |
| Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness                                                      | 26 Oct 7pm   |
| School Anxiety                                                                     | 27 Oct 10am  |
| Anxiety Explained                                                                  | 27 Oct 7pm   |

## School Lottery

Support our school and buy your chance to win [here](#)

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/school-admin/F9BFE583-9676-466C-879B-501F1BAAD0F2>



## Contact Us

**office@gmgl.co.uk** - for all general enquiries

**attendance@gmgl.co.uk** - for all child absence notifications, medical appointments, dropping/collecting pupils and buses

Alternatively, please call us on **01494 862310**.

## Dates for your Diary



Subscribe to the school calendar [here](#)

### SEPTEMBER

**22nd September** EYFS Little City Experience

**25th September** EYFS Local Walk

**25th September** MUFTI day - Ghana charity

**26th September** Cross Country Gayhurst, 9-11.30am

**28th September** Alex Milway Author Visit

### OCTOBER

**2nd October** Individual School Photos

**5th October** PTA Meeting @ The Cross Keys

**7th October** Flu Vaccinations Pre-school-Y6

**9th October** School and Pre-school Open Morning

**14th October** School Disco

**19-22nd October** SEND Parents Evenings

**23rd October** Second-hand Halloween Uniform Sale

**23rd October** Break Up for Half Term

## **NOVEMBER**

**2nd November** Back to School

**3rd November** Parents Evening

**4th November** Parents Evening

**7th November** Fireworks Night

**10th November** School and Pre-School Open Morning, 9.30am

**17th November** FUDGE (Fathers, Uncles, Dads. Grandads and Everyone Else) Morning

**25th November** Inset Day

## **DECEMBER**

**1st December** MAGEE Day (Mum's, Aunties, Grandmothers and Everyone Else)

**10th December** Christmas Jumper Day

**17th December** Break Up For Christmas at 2.15pm