



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

13th December 2019

Dates for your diary

16th December GDE School Play
17th December Christmas Lunch
18th December Pyjama Day HSM
19th December End of Term
6th January Start of term 3

Dear Parents,

Hot Meals

Please find attached the menu for w.c 6th January. Please send completed forms and payment by Monday. If your child is entitled to a free lunch, you still need to return the completed form.

After school clubs HSM & GDE

There will be no after school clubs next week or in the first week of term.

Building Works

Unfortunately, due to our boilers failing over the last couple of weeks, the local authority have decided that these need replacing as soon as possible. Work on the site will begin at the weekend, with the disconnection and removal of our current boilers. As part of this we will have to have temporary heating fitted on Monday. We have therefore decided to move to the village hall all day on Monday. Can parents please drop off and pick up their children from the village hall on Monday. The children will then remain there all day. The temporary heating will be in place by Tuesday and the children will then be able to come back into school as normal. As part of these works we are having some asbestos removed from the boiler house. This is being completed by a professional company and there is no risk to any children during this process. Your children's safety will always be my number one priority.

Christingle

It's always lovely to see so many parents and to also see the church full. Many thanks for your kind donations to the children's society; we raised a total of £85.39.

Gedney Drove End Christmas Play

Our play this year is called 'Christmas With The Aliens', it will be on at the village hall on Monday 16th December at 6pm. Children should arrive at the village hall between 5.30pm and 5.40pm to allow time to change into their costumes.

Parent Reading Survey

Please find attached a survey; I would be grateful if parents could complete this and return to school as soon as possible.

Christmas Fayre Gedney Drove End

Thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas Fayre, we raised the amazing total of £235.30.

GDE Christmas Party

On the last day of term (Thursday 19th), we will have our Christmas party. Children may come to school in their party clothes ready to enjoy the afternoon fun and games. Please ensure your child also has suitable outdoor clothing and footwear on this day. Children should not bring their own toys or games; all games will be arranged by school.

RE Trip to Mosque and Cathedral 14th January 2020

On Tuesday 14th January, Barbados, St Lucia, Norway and Sweden will be going on an RE trip; they will be visiting the Faizane Madina Mosque in Peterborough in the morning and Peterborough cathedral in the afternoon. We will be leaving GDE at 8.45am and HSM at 9.05am, we expect to return to HSM at 3.25pm and GDE at 3.45pm. These times are approximate so please check the Facebook page for updates. The actual cost to school is £9.57 per pupil but we would like to ask for a contribution of £5. All children should wear uniform with their blue hoodie and will need a packed lunch. Please return the attached permission slip with your contribution.

Swimming Term 3

Swimming lessons will start again on Monday 6th January. Gedney Drove End will be the first to swim and Holbeach St Marks will go the following week. At Holbeach St Marks, lessons are for St Lucia and Barbados classes and at Gedney Drove End they are for Norway and Sweden. We will only be charging for the pool entry, as the school pays the cost of swimming teachers and transport. The cost is a voluntary contribution of £1 a week, £3 for GDE and £3 for HSM. Swimming dates are as follows;

Gedney Drove End – 6th January, 20th January and 3rd February

Holbeach St Marks – 13th January, 27th January and 10th February

Please complete and return the attached permission slip.

Snack Term 3

Only fruit is available at break time, this will be provided free for all those children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Children in key stage 2 will be able to purchase fruit at a cost of 50p per week: the cost for the term will be £3.00. Please return the permission slip with your payment.

New Year's Eve Party – Holbeach St Mark's Village Hall

There will be a New Year's Eve Festive Drinks and Disco event at Holbeach St Marks Village Hall - 8pm to 12.30am. Tickets are on sale £10 per family (max of 2 adults and 3 children in a family ticket. Babies under 2 are free), £5 per couple and £3 for a single ticket. The bar will be open but you can also bring your own drinks. **This is a village hall event and not a school event** but you can buy tickets from the school office where you will be given a receipt. This receipt will need to be taken to the event to gain entry. If you require anymore information regarding the even, Please contact the committee via the 'Holbeach St Marks Village Hall' Facebook page.

Primary School Admissions for September 2020

Children born between the dates of 01/09/2015 and 31/08/2016 will start primary school in September 2020. You can apply using the online application system, which can be found on the Lincolnshire County Council web site: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions The online application is now open there is telephone support available to help with your online application. The phone number is 01522 782030. You can apply for up to three different schools and we strongly recommend you do list three schools in priority order that you would want to be offered. The deadline for applications is 15th January 2020.

Stars of the week

Well done to the following children for their amazing achievements this week.

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Marnie for a fantastic attitude towards her learning.

Sweden – Summer for perseverance and a positive attitude towards learning.

Norway – Ella for her excellent performance in the pantomime.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Molly for being a fantastic Mary in the play.

Barbados – Sylvie for playing a fantastic part in the play.

St Lucia – Eddie for being a fantastic role model to younger children.

Many Thanks
Karyn Wiles



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Snack Term 3

My child(ren) Would like fruit at break time.

I enclose £3.00 for the term (year 3 -6 only).

Signed Date

Swimming Term 3

I give / do not give permission for my child(ren)to attend swimming lessons in Term 3.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of **£3 per child**.

Signed Date.....

Club permission slip

My child would like to take part in the following clubs.

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Signed Date

RE Trip 14th January 2020 Barbados, St, Lucia, Sweden, Norway

I give permission for my child(ren)to visit the mosque and cathedral on 14th January 2020.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of **£5 per child**.

My child is entitled to free school meals and would like a lunch provided

Signed Date.....

