

# Newsletter

## Diary Dates

### Applications for a Reception Place – September 2022

If your child was born between 01/09/2017 and 31/08/2018, you can apply for a reception place from Monday 15th November until 15th January 2022. A letter giving details of how to apply is attached to the email.

### Open Morning – Westmere

We will be holding our Open Morning for parents of September 2022 new intake, on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November. All parents should have received a flyer. Parents will need to ring the school office to book in a time slot.

3<sup>rd</sup> December Church Farm Visit  
8<sup>th</sup> December – Second Flu vaccination  
15<sup>th</sup> December Pantomime Visit  
16<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Dinner Day  
17<sup>th</sup> December End of Term 2  
4<sup>th</sup> January Start of Term 3

### Keeping Children and Young People safe Online – FREE Session Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership

Online safety can be a bit of a minefield and many of us have lots of questions on how we can not only keep our children safe but also let them enjoy the benefits the online world brings. After our live streamed event earlier this year, many parents and carers asked for the opportunity to ask us some questions. Join our resident Online Safety Officer, Dan Hawbrook, on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 for a special Question and Answer session for parents and carers which will cover whatever YOU want to know – whether it's game ratings, parental controls, bullying or strangers – we will let you ask us those burning questions.

Sign up will be required to access this FREE session:  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-date-with-dan-tickets-168597709287>

### Book Fair - Westmere

The Travelling Books book fair will be arriving in school on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November. It will be with us for the remainder of the week and will be open after school. Due to the number of children in the school, we will be timetabling dates for children to visit. This will reduce the number of people gathered in the hall. Further details to follow. Books can be purchased with cash, through pre-paid online vouchers or using a debit/credit card over the phone and prices begin from just as little as £2.99. Please come along and support us as every book you buy raises money for school to buy books too.

### Flu Vaccinations

The school nurses will be coming back into school at some point to vaccinate any child who wasn't in school on the original date. If you haven't previously registered your child and would like them to be vaccinated then please use the following link and the appropriate school code from the table below as soon as possible. <https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

	School Code	Second vaccination date
<b>Gedney Drove End</b>	<b>EE120410</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Holbeach St Marks</b>	<b>EE120549</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Westmere</b>	<b>EE120502</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>

### Trip to Church Farm, Stow Bardolph – Westmere/GDE/HSM

China, Cuba and Finland will be going to visit Santa at Church Farm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Children should wear their PE hoodies and bring a packed lunch and a water bottle. The coach will pick up at HSM for 9am, then onto GDE for 9.15am and will then come onto Westmere for 9.30am. We will leave Church farm at 2pm, so should be back at all three schools for the end of the school day. The total cost of this trip is £17.45 per child, but this is subsidised by school and so we ask for a voluntary contribution of £15 per child. Please sign and return the permission slip by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November, or alternatively, you can email your permission to the office and send payment with your child or pay by card or bank transfer. Children who are entitled to a free school meal can have a packed lunch provided by school; please indicate on the permission slip or email. Updates on the day will be posted on our Facebook page.





**Covid Symptoms**

If your child has any of the symptoms below, you **must not** send them to school. Instead you will need to arrange a PCR test by booking online or calling 119. A lateral flow test is not to be used when children are showing symptoms, as it is designed to detect the virus when children are asymptomatic (no symptoms).

- A new cough
- A temperature of 37.8 or above
- Loss of taste or smell

**Beauty and the Beast Pantomime – Wednesday 15th December**

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, the whole federation will be going to the Pantomime at King’s Lynn Corn Exchange. We would like all the children to wear their blue PE hoodie on this day. We will be leaving school at 8.45am and should return to school at approximately 1.00pm. Children should arrive at school between 8.20am and 8.30am. Please return the permission slip below. The children will be provided with a snack in the interval. They will have their lunch on their return to school. There will be no hot meals on this day and all children will need a packed lunch. If your child is entitled to a free school meal and you would like them to be provided with one, please tick the box on the reply slip.

**Christmas Lunch and Fun Day**

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December, we will be having our Christmas lunch where every child will receive a free Christmas lunch. This will also be a non-uniform and fun day for the children.

Kind regards  
**Sally Massey**

**Church Farm Visit – Friday 3rd December 2021 China, Cuba and Finland**

I give / do not give permission for my child(ren) .....to attend Church Farm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of £15 per child.

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

Signed ..... Parent/Carer Date.....

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