



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

29th June 2018

Dear Parents

Dates for your diary

2nd July End of year play HSM
3rd July Summer play GDE
4th July GDE Year 5 to 5 F's Go Large - Peele
5th July E-safety workshop Y6
9 – 11th July Alton Towers Residential
16th July Leavers Trip
16th July Natureland Trip
17th July Sports Day
19th July Leavers Assemblies
20th July End of Year
4th September Start of term

Hot Meals

Please find attached the menu for the week commencing 9th July.
Should you wish to order a meal, please return the form, with payment by Monday 2nd July.
If your child is entitled to a free lunch, please send a completed form back to school.

Staffing

The children have today taken part in move up day, they will bring a letter home with them this evening detailing who will be their class teacher in September. We are saying goodbye to Mr McKay at HSM who will be leaving us to teach closer to home, we would like to thank him and wish him lots of luck for the future. Miss Flaherty will be joining us from GDE to teach in Barbados class. Mr Timmins will be having a change of role in September too, he will be teaching PE across the federation, Miss Larkin will be joining us from Westmere to teach in Sweden Class. Both Miss Flaherty and Miss Larkin have spent time with their new classes today.

Curriculum Activity Sessions

Following on from your parental questionnaires, where a number of parents wanted to know how they could support their children, we are holding some events to help inform you about terminology and methods. We would like to invite all parents to stay for a Maths activity session and a SPAG (spelling, punctuation, grammar) session. Dates and times are as follows:

Gedney Drove End

Maths Finland class 2.45pm Thursday 12th July / Norway and Sweden 3.15pm Thursday 12th July
SPAG Finland class 2.45pm Thursday 5th July / Norway and Sweden 3.15pm Thursday 5th July

School Play Holbeach St Marks Monday 2nd July

Our school play this year is 'The Next Big Step', the performance will take place at the village hall at 6pm on Monday 2nd July. Please ensure the children arrive at the village hall between 5.30pm and 5.45pm to allow time to change into their costumes.

School Play Gedney Drove End Tuesday 3rd July

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Year 6 Leavers Trip

Our Year 6 children will be going on their leavers trip on Monday 16th July, we have decided to visit Laser Storm at the Fun Farm in Weston again, the children will have the opportunity to try the high ropes activity and laser storm, lunch is included. Children will be back by the end of the school day, there is no charge for this trip. Please complete the permission slip attached and return to school by Friday 13th July.

Leavers photos

Just a reminder for parents of children in year 6, we need a few photos for the leavers service by Friday 6th July at the latest. You can either email them to school or bring in photos to the office which we will scan and return to you. Once we have used them for the photo story the images will be deleted.

Holbeach St Marks enquiries@st-marks.lincs.sch.uk

Gedney Drove End enquiries@gedneydroveend.lincs.sch.uk

Sports Day

Our joint sports day will take place at Gedney Drove End School at 9.30am on Tuesday 17th July (weather permitting). All children (including preschool) will be transported from HSM by coach. Parents and families are welcome to join us and can stay and picnic with their children after the event. Holbeach St Marks will then travel back to school at approximately 1.30pm. If it is raining on the day, please check with the school office, the class teacher or the Facebook page to make sure the event is still going ahead. If your child does not usually attend preschool on a Tuesday, you are very welcome to bring them in on this day, but please let the school office know so that we have adequate staffing ratios.

Topics for next week

We would like to encourage parents to support their child with their learning at home. Should you want more information, please speak to your child's class teacher after school. Please find below the information for next week.

	English	Maths
Finland	Pirates narrative	Position and direction
Sweden	Letters	Estimation
Norway	Assessments	Assessments
Cuba	Under the Sea	Time
Barbados	Biography	Shape and money
St Lucia	Assessments	Assessments

Library Van HSM

The next library van visit to Holbeach St Marks will be on the 5th July. During the summer the van will visit on the 2nd and 30th August.

Swimming Term 6

Please find below the remaining swimming dates for this term.

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Stars of the week

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

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Aurora for an enthusiastic approach to her learning and super writing about the trip.

Sweden – George for stepping in for different parts in the play and helping others learn their lines.

Norway – Imogen for working hard in the play.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Everyone for great behaviour on the trip yesterday.

Barbados – Thomas R for fantastic attitude towards writing.

St Lucia – Cosmina for great acting skills.



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Natureland Seal Sanctuary - Skegness

On Monday 16th July, Barbados and Sweden classes will be visiting the Natureland Seal Sanctuary at Skegness. They will be leaving and returning within the normal school day. This visit is part of their term 6 topic work. All children will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty to drink, packed lunches will be ordered for those entitled to free school meals. We will need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £10.00 towards the cost of the trip, please complete the permission slip attached

Many Thanks

Karyn Wiles

Natureland Trip Barbados and Sweden

I give / do not give permission for my child(ren)to attend the trip to Natureland Skegness on the 16th July.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of £10.

My child is entitled to a free school meal and I would like a packed lunch provided.

Signed.....Date.....

Year 6 Leaver's Trip

I give / do not give permission for my childto attend the leaver's trip on the 16th July.

Please choose one of the meal options below and either salad or chips.

Choice	Please tick one		
Burger			
Sausages			
Fish fingers			
Chicken nuggets			
Veggie nuggets			
Also choose one of the following			
<u>Chips</u>		<u>Salad</u>	

Signed.....Date.....