



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

6th March 2020

Dates for your diary

12th March Topic Day Cuba and Finland
13th March Topic Day Sweden
20th March Mother's Day Service
30th March Parents Evening Gedney Drove End
31st March Easter Service St Marks Church
1st April Parents Evening Holbeach St Marks
2nd April End of Term 4

Hot Meals

Please find attached the menu for w.c 16th March. 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.

Dear Parents,

World Book Day

I would like to say thank you to all the parents who have supported this week by coming in and listening to the stories, it was great to see so many of you.

School Transport

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2020 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible, please apply for transport as soon as you have your offer of a school place. Applications can be made online at the website below or a telephone application can be made by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.



Easter Fayre - Holbeach St Marks Village Hall

Easter Fayre on Sunday 5th April, 10am – 4pm. There will be many stalls, an Easter Egg Hunt and an Easter bonnet / hat competition for the children. Entries to the competition are £1 which can be paid to school before the day or brought with you to the event, along with your bonnet / hat. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. If you are interested in hiring a stall for the event, these are £5 - please speak to Mrs Massey.

Sweden Topic Day

On Friday 13th March Sweden class will be visiting Sutton Bridge Westmere for a fantastic fossils topic day. This trip will take place within the school day and children will be transported over by minibus. As this is a federated event we already have permission to transport your child but should you have any concerns please speak to the class teacher. All children will have their usual hot lunch or packed lunch from home, at Westmere.

Cuba, Pre-school and Finland Topic Day

On 12th March Cuba, Pre-school and Finland classes will be taking part in a topic day at Westmere. This visit will include a workshop with Zoolab, who will be bringing a variety of reptiles and insects for the children to look at. This trip will take place within the school day and children will be transported over by coach. As this is a federated event we already have permission to transport your child but should you have any concerns please speak to the class teacher. All children will have their usual hot lunch or packed lunch from home, at Westmere.

Parents' Evenings

Our parent's evenings will be on Monday 30th March at Gedney Drove End and Wednesday 1st April at Holbeach St Marks. The sessions will run from 1.30pm until 6.00pm. Please return the attached slip with your first and second choice of time. If you are unable to attend on this date, please speak to the class teacher to arrange an alternative time.

Japanese Club

There is a change to dates of Japanese club this term, please see the table below.

6 th March	Holbeach St Marks
13 th March	Holbeach St Marks
20 th March	Gedney Drove End
27 th March	Holbeach St Marks

Swimming Term 4

Swimming lessons started again on Monday 24th February. 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, £2 for GDE and £3 for HSM. Swimming dates are as follows;

Gedney Drove End – 9th March, 23rd March

Holbeach St Marks – 16th March, 30th March

Please complete and return the attached permission slip.

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. Please find below the information for next week.

	English	Maths
Finland	Non-fiction – Mini Beasts	Addition and subtraction
Sweden	Information texts	Multiplication
Norway	Stories with flashback	Decimals
Cuba	Instruction Text	Addition and subtraction
Barbados	Historical Narrative	Measuring, perimeter and area
St Lucia	Reading skills	Problem solving

Stars of the week

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

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Isla for a fantastic attitude to learning and being a good friend to her peers.

Sweden – Aleksandra for always having a positive attitude towards learning.

Norway – Maizie for being a kind friend to all the children in our class.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Tomasz for always trying hard and super manners.

Barbados – Bianka for demonstrating stamina and perseverance in her writing.

St Lucia – Teigan for well-developed answers in reading comprehension.

Many Thanks

Karyn Wiles



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Swimming Term 4

I give / do not give permission for my child(ren)to attend swimming lessons in Term 4.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of **£2 per child for GDE and £3 per child for HSM.**

Signed Date.....

Parents Evening Appointment Request

Gedney Drove End Monday 30th March
Holbeach St Marks Wednesday 1st April

Childs Name

	First Choice	Second Choice
1.30pm – 2pm		
2pm – 2.30pm		
2.30pm – 3pm		
3pm – 3.30pm		
3.30pm – 4pm		
4pm – 4.30pm		
4.30pm – 5pm		
5pm – 5.30pm		
5.30pm – 6pm		
Anytime		

Please tick this box if you would like an appointment with the headteacher