



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

13th March 2020

Dates for your diary

12th March Topic Day Cuba and Finland
13th March Topic Day Sweden
20th March Mother's Day Service HSM
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,

Coronavirus update

You will have seen the announcement yesterday from the government. Public Health England has released new guidance stating that anyone that has the symptoms of the virus - a cough or a temperature of 37.8C (100F) or more, should self-isolate for seven days.

The advice states that anyone showing these symptoms should not to go to work, school, or public areas, use public transport or taxis - or even for a walk. At present our schools remain open, should there be any change or advice given from the Department for Education we will let you know immediately.

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.

Hilltop Residential Visit Y5/6 – July 2020

We would like to remind you, that full payment for the Hilltop residential visit, must be received in school no later than Friday 22nd May.

Easter Service

Our Easter Service will take place at Holbeach St Marks church at 1.30pm on Tuesday 31st March: this is a change to the original date. Everyone is welcome to attend and you may take your children home directly from the church. Children from Gedney Drove End will be transported over by coach. Any children not collected from the church will return to school. As this is a federated event we already have permission to transport your child.

Mother's Day Service Holbeach St Marks

Pupils from Holbeach St Marks, including pre-school children, will be celebrating Mother's Day with a service at the Church on Friday 20th March at 2.00pm. All parents are invited to come along. If your child does not usually attend pre-school on a Friday, they are welcome to come along with their mum to the service.

Japanese Club

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

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



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.

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.

Swimming Term 4

Swimming dates are as follows;

Gedney Drove End –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	Minibeast Stories	Subtraction
Sweden	Non-chronological report	Multiplication
Norway	Flashback narrative	Decimals
Cuba	Poems	Place value
Barbados	Narrative poems	Multiplication and division
St Lucia	Grammar & Understanding Texts	Problem solving & arithmetic

Stars of the week

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

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Scott for being a superstar at the Zoolab workshop.

Sweden – Arthur for his superb team work and design in D.T.

Norway – Harvey for his excellent ‘Kidnapped’ story.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Marcel for exemplary behaviour.

Barbados –Lenny for extreme helpfulness.

St Lucia – Maisie for perseverance and achievement in long division.

Many Thanks
Karyn Wiles



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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