



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

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.

Dear Parents,

After school clubs HSM & GDE

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

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 information sessions

Maths

We would like to invite all parents and carers to a Maths parental workshop. Mr Davies will deliver a presentation on how we teach basic mathematical skills before inviting you to your child's class to see it being taught to your children. If you have children in more than one class, we ask you, on this occasion, to please choose which lesson to visit so as not to disturb the flow of the lesson.

HSM's session will be on Tuesday 17th December at 9am.

English/Phonics

Miss Wells and Miss Richardson will explain how we teach reading and phonics and then you will have an opportunity to visit your child's class to watch a lesson. If you have children in more than one class, we ask you, on this occasion, to please choose which lesson to visit so as not to disturb the flow of the lesson.

HSM's session will be on Monday 16th December at 9am.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

Christmas Fayre Holbeach St Marks

We would like to say a huge thank you to those who attended this year's Christmas Fayre. We raised £189.25. We would also like to thank the following companies who very generously donated raffle prizes: Tesco, Good Earth, The Co-operative and to all parents who donated gifts. We have one raffle prize left, number 70 on a yellow ticket.

Christmas Fayre Gedney Drove End

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

HSM Christmas Party

Following the Christmas lunch on Tuesday, we will have our Christmas party at the village hall. 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.

Pyjama Day HSM

On Wednesday 18th December we will be watching the film 'The Star' which has a U rating. We would like the children to come into school in their pyjamas. Please ensure they have outdoor footwear and a coat, as well as their slippers. We will be having popcorn and other treats along with hot chocolate and marshmallows.

Christmas Jumper Day - HSM

On the last day of term at Holbeach St Marks, we invite the children to come into school wearing a Christmas Jumper.

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.

After school clubs Holbeach St Marks

Places are allocated on a first come first served basis; please complete the attached permission slip and return as soon as possible to secure a place. You will receive notification to say whether you have a place. Slips must be returned by Tuesday 17th December.

All clubs run from 3.15 – 4pm

Holbeach St Marks

Monday	Miss Carter	All Years	Read and Create
Tuesday	Ms Flaherty	Years 2-6	TT Rock Stars
Thursday	Mr Timmins	KS2	PE Multiskills
Friday	Mrs Parr	KS2	Japanese

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.



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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.

Library Van HSM

The next library van visit is on Thursday 19th December.

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

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.....