



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

5th October 2018

Dates for your diary

11th October School Photographs
15th October Meet the Teacher Evening GDE
17th October Meet the Teacher Evening HSM
18th October Harvest Service 1.30pm
19th October End of Term 1
30th October Start of Term 2
16th November Sweden / Barbados Trip

Hot Meals

Please find attached the menu for w.c 15th October. Please send completed forms and payment by Monday 8th October. If your child is entitled to a free lunch, you still need to return the completed form.

Dear Parents

School Photographs

Our school photographer will be taking individual and family photos on Thursday 11th October, if you would like preschool children to have their photograph taken with their siblings please bring them to school at the following times;

Gedney Drove End 9am Holbeach St Marks 11am

These times are approximate and you need to be prepared for a wait. Parents at Holbeach St Marks who wish to bring siblings may want to ring the office mid morning to check on timings.

Student Update and Photo Permission Forms

All children should bring home a form to update the information we hold on file and a new permission form for the use of photographs in school. Please would you be able to return them both to school by next Friday 12th October.

Japanese club Holbeach St Marks

Japanese club will start next **Wednesday** 10th October at Holbeach St Marks.

Holbeach St Marks Staffing

Miss Edwards has today left the federation, we would like to thank her and wish her lots of luck for the future, we welcome Miss Horrox who will be taking over in pre-school.

The Collection - Lincoln

On Friday 16th November, Sweden and Barbados classes, along with pupils from Westmere, will be visiting The Collection in Lincoln, this visit is part of their Greek Gods topic. They will be leaving school at 8.45am and will return to school for approximately 4.15pm. They should wear their PE hoodies and dark jogging bottoms or leggings, no spending money is required. All children will need a packed lunch, please indicate on the slip of your child is entitled to free school meals and would like us to provide a lunch. We would like to ask for a voluntary contribution of £10.00 towards the cost of the trip.

Harvest Service

Our harvest service will take place at 1.30pm on Thursday 18th October at Christ Church Dawsmere. Children from both schools will be transported by coach. Everyone is welcome to attend and you may take your children home from the church after the service if you wish. We would like to ask for donations to the Agape Food Bank, tinned and packet items please, no fresh food. All donations will be gratefully received.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon – Holbeach St Marks

We raised a grand total of £157.30, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported the event, and also to the parents who helped out and donated cakes.

Flu Immunisation ACTION REQUIRED

All children, **with the exception of those in year 6**, are entitled to receive the flu nasal spray in school. There are no paper forms to complete this year, instead you will find the letter and a link to the form on our website under the newsletters section. **If you would like your child to receive the immunisation then you must complete the form.** Should you have any queries about the immunisation programme please contact the school nurses directly on 01775 652144.

We have spoken to the school nurses this week and so far they have only had 17 forms submitted for Holbeach St Marks and 7 for Gedney Drove End.

Secondary Application Packs

All year 6 children should have received a letter regarding the secondary school application process. Applications need to be made online at the following address <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-school-places/132836.article> . The deadline for applications is 31st October 2018. If you are waiting for 11+ results they are due to be posted out on 12th October.

Library Van Holbeach St Marks

The next library van visit at Holbeach St Marks is on Thursday 25th October during the half term holiday.

Meet the Teacher Evenings

We will be holding an informal meet the teacher evening on Monday 15th October at Gedney Drove End and Wednesday 17th October at Holbeach St Marks. At this evening you can book a five-minute appointment to meet your child's teacher. Please return the slip to the school office, with your preferred times indicated.

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	Diary writing	Addition & subtraction
Sweden	Persuasive letter	Addition & subtraction
Norway	Non-chronological report	Place value
Cuba	Pumpkin Soup	Addition & Subtraction
Barbados	Non-chronological reports	Addition & Subtraction
St Lucia	Newspaper reports	Addition & Subtraction

Swimming Term 1

Gedney Drove End - 8th October

Holbeach St Marks - 15th October

Stars of the week

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

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Emmett for some amazing maths.

Sweden – Maizie for a great first week in Sweden class.

Norway – Dylan for great use of initiative.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Ryan for working hard on his letter formation.

Barbados - Mihai for a super start to TT Rockstars

St Lucia – Jasmine for effort and improvement in her writing composition.

Many Thanks Karyn Wiles



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Meet the Teacher Evening 15th October GDE / 17th October HSM

Please tick your preferred times.

Child(ren)s name(s).....

	First Choice	Second Choice
3.30-4.00
4.00-4.30
4.30-5.00
5.00-5.30
5.30-6.00
6.00-6.30

Signed.....

Date.....

I would like to make an appointment with the headteacher Tick if applicable)

Sweden / Barbados visit to The Collection Lincoln

I give permission for my childto visit The Collection on Friday 16th November.

I do / do not enclose a contribution of £10 towards this trip.

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

Signed Date