



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

7th May 2021

Dates for your diary

28th May Term 5 Ends
7th June Term 6 starts
21st July End of school year

Hot Meals

Please find attached the menu for w.c 17th May. Please send completed forms and make payment by Monday 10th May. If your child is entitled to a free lunch, you still need to return the completed form.

Dear Parents,

Staffing Change Holbeach St Marks

Our office administrator Mrs Lane will sadly be leaving us on Friday 14th May. Mrs Lane has been with us since 2008 and has worked at both Holbeach St Marks and Gedney Drove End School. She is leaving us to start a new job and we wish her all the best in the future. Mrs Lintott from Gedney Drove End will be covering both offices from Monday 17th May.

New Office Hours from 17th May

The new office hours will be as follows; Holbeach St Marks 8.30 – 12pm and Gedney Drove End 12.45pm – 4.30pm. The telephones will be answered outside of these hours if you need to speak to someone urgently but in the case of general or non-urgent queries please ring during the office hours. Alternatively you can email either of the following email addresses; enquiries@st-marks.lincs.sch.uk or enquiries@gedneydroveend.lincs.sch.uk at any time.

Absences

If your child is absent from school please send an email to either of the above addresses before 9am.

Holbeach St Marks

It has been brought to our attention that many vehicles, including some parents', are travelling at speeds which, whilst within the legal speed limit, appear too fast during drop-off and pick-up. Many children are crossing the roads, and we would not want there to be an accident and so ask that you please drive to the conditions, which at times will be slower than the speed limit. Thank you.

Book Trust Pyjamarama Day

On 14th May, children around the country will be spending the day enjoying and sharing stories - all in the comfort of their PJs. Our schools will be joining in this day and so children may come in their pyjamas, but please send outdoor footwear and coats for playtime. Instead of asking for monetary donations to come into school, we have put together an Amazon wish list of books which will be shared across our schools. If you are able to support us in buying new books for our pupils to encourage their love of reading, please visit our Facebook page for the link.

Reminder of start and finish times

Please find below a handy reminder of the start and finish times for each class;

Finland	8.40am	3.05pm
Sweden	8.45am	3.10pm
Norway	8.50am	3.15pm
Cuba	8.40am	3.05pm
Barbados	8.45am	3.10pm
St Lucia	8.50am	3.15pm

School Transport

If your child is starting primary school or secondary school in September 2021 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 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.

For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport.

Queries can be emailed to schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk.

Topics for next week

Please find below details of the class topics for next week.

	English	Maths
Finland	Recount – Quest	Multiplication and division
Sweden	Narrative writing	Measurement – capacity and volume
Norway	Recount – Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Yr 4/5 Multiplication & division Yr 6 Angles
Cuba	Quest - Recount	Multiplication & Division
Barbados	Poetry	Division
St Lucia	Narrative	Y5 Decimals & Y6 fractions

Stars of the week

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

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Stanley for his super effort in phonics.

Sweden – Scott for his superb extended noun phrases.

Norway – Riley for his excellent contributions in group work.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Pippa for fantastic writing, and use of full stops.

Barbados – Oliver for improved handwriting and positive attitude.

St Lucia – Charlie for well improved handwriting, and Logan for writing a fantastic recount.

Many Thanks

Karyn Wiles