



Gedney Drove End Primary School and Holbeach St Marks Primary School

8th February 2019

Dates for your diary

15th February End of Term 3
25th February Start of Term 4
5th March Cuba & Finland Hamerton Zoo
7th March World Book Day
8th March Sweden – Museum of Power
15th March – Red Nose Day (more details coming soon)
22nd March Barbados – Museum of Power
1st April Parents Evening HSM
4th April Easter Service at HSM Church
4th April Parents Evening GDE
5th April End of Term 4

Dear Parents

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March, this year we will be looking at the book 'The Day the Crayons Came Home'. Children may come to school dressed as a coloured crayon with all their clothes being the same colour. There is no charge for coming to school in non-uniform; and all children will receive a World Book Day voucher.

Breakfast Club – GDE/HSM

We are very excited to tell you about our new breakfast club, which will be starting after half term. We would like to offer this free for all children. The gates will be open from 8.40am each morning, all children will go straight into the classroom, where they will be able to have toast. They will then take part in reading activities. Any child not wanting to eat breakfast will still come into school to take part in the reading, there will be no morning play. The gates will be locked at their normal time. The playground will be supervised to ensure children go straight into their classrooms. We are happy to cater for any allergies, please ensure that school have an up to date allergy list for your child. Should you not wish for your child to take part please complete the attached reply slip to opt out.

Snack Term 4

We will be changing the breaktime snack from next term to coincide with the start of the breakfast club. Only fruit will be available at breaktime, 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 next term will be £3.00, please return the permission slip with your payment.

Sweden & Barbados Trip to the Museum of Power

As part of their rivers topic, Sweden and Barbados will be visiting the Museum of Power in Maldon, Essex. They will be going on different dates but all coach timings are the same, so please make sure you take note of the correct date for your child. Children should wear their blue PE hoodie and bring a packed lunch and plenty of non-fizzy drink; children entitled to a free school meal can have a packed lunch provided for them, please indicate on the permission slip. The coach will leave school at 7.15am. We expect to leave the museum at 2.30pm and should return to school by approximately 5.15pm. Sweden class will be going on Friday 8th March and Barbados class will be on Friday 22nd March. The full cost of this trip is £21.50 per child but we would like to ask for a contribution of £15, please complete the permission slip attached.

Hot Meals

Please find attached the menu for w.c 25th February. Please send completed forms and payment by Monday 11th February. If your child is entitled to a free lunch, you still need to return the completed form.

Absence

Can we please remind parents/carers that if your child is unable to come to school you need to contact school before 9.30am. You can phone at any time and leave a message on the answering machine or you could email enquiries@st-marks.lincs.sch.uk or enquiries@gedneydroveend.lincs.sch.uk.

Library Van HSM

The next library van visit at Holbeach St Marks is on the 14th February.

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	Topic Week – Kings and Queens	Money and measurement
Sweden	Topic Week – The Water Cycle	Multiplication and division
Norway	Topic Week – Space	Division
Cuba	Fairy Stories	
Barbados	Poems	Multiplication and division
St Lucia	Explanations Texts	Y6 Decimals Y4/5 Measurement: Area and volume

Hamerton Zoo – Cuba and Finland

On Tuesday 5th March, Finland and Cuba classes will be visiting Hamerton Zoo. They will be leaving Gedney Drove End at 8.45am and Holbeach St Marks at 9.05am and will return to Holbeach St Marks at 4pm and Gedney Drove End at 4.20pm. The return times are approximate so please keep an eye on the Facebook page for up to date timings. Children should wear their PE hoodies and will all need a packed lunch and plenty to drink. If you would like a packed lunch provided for your child, please indicate on the permission slip. The actual cost of this trip is £14.50 but we would like to ask for a voluntary contribution of £10.00 towards the cost.

Swimming Term 4

Swimming lessons next term will start on 25th February. At Holbeach St Marks, lessons are for St Lucia and Barbados classes and at Gedney Drove End, they are for Norway, Sweden and year 2 children from Finland class. 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 – 4th March, 18th March, 1st April**
Holbeach St Marks – 25th February, 11th March, 25th March. Please complete and return the attached permission slip

Stars of the week

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

Gedney Drove End

Finland – Ruby for some excellent work in English and maths and for having a superb attitude.

Sweden – Charlie for his exceptional hard work in maths this week.

Norway – Riley for his hard work in English and maths this week.

Holbeach St Marks

Cuba – Emily for amazing writing.

Barbados – Pandora for consistently trying hard.

St Lucia – Edward for excellent achievement in Times Tables Rockstars

Many Thanks

Karyn Wiles



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Museum of Power Trip – Sweden 8th March / Barbados 22nd March

I give permission for my child to visit the Museum of Power.

I do / do not enclose £15 towards the cost of this trip.

My child is entitled to a Free School Meal and would like a packed lunch provided

Signed Date

Hamerton Zoo Trip – Finland and Cuba 5th March

I give permission for my child(ren) to visit Hamerton Zoo on 5th March.

I do / do not enclose £10 towards the cost of this trip.

My child is entitled to a Free School Meal and would like a packed lunch provided

Signed Date

Breakfast Club

I do not wish my child(ren) to have toast in the mornings.

Signed Date

Snack Term 4

My child(ren) Would like fruit at breaktime.

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 4.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of £3 per child.

Signed Date.....