

# Newsletter

## Individual School Photos

The school photographer will be coming in to take individual photos on the following dates.

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Westmere School          | 8 <sup>th</sup> November |
| Gedney Drove End School  | 9 <sup>th</sup> November |
| Holbeach St Marks School | 9 <sup>th</sup> November |

## Belongings in School

We would like to remind you that children should not bring in toys and belongings from home. The reason for this is that often these things get lost or broken, as well as them being a distraction to learning. At times, they are also the reason for disagreements.

## Illness

If your child has any of the following symptoms, you **must not** send them to school. Instead you will need to arrange a PCR test by booking online or calling 119. A lateral flow test is not to be used when children are showing symptoms, it is designed to detect virus when children are asymptomatic.

- A new cough
- A temperature of 37.8 or above
- Loss of taste or smell

If your child is unwell with a sore throat, runny nose or other mild illness, they can still come to school. If they need medicine during the day you can either come to school to administer it at breaktime or lunchtime or you can complete a medication form and staff can give medicine.

## Flu Vaccinations

If you haven't already registered your child for their flu vaccination and would like them to be immunised, then please use the following link and the appropriate school code from the table below:

<https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

|                   | School Code | Vaccination Date          |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Gedney Drove End  | EE120410    | 16 <sup>th</sup> November |
| Holbeach St Marks | EE120549    | 12 <sup>th</sup> November |
| Westmere          | EE120502    | 9 <sup>th</sup> November  |

## Trip to West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village – Westmere

As part of their topics, USA, Portugal, Canada and Spain will be visiting West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Children should wear their PE hoodies and bring a packed lunch and a water bottle. The coach will leave Westmere at 9am. We expect to leave West Stow by 2.30pm, so should be back at Westmere for 4.00pm. The total cost of this trip is £13 per child, but this is subsidised by school and so we ask for a voluntary contribution of £10 per child. Please sign and return the permission slip by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October, or alternatively, you can email your permission to the office and send payment with your child. Children who are entitled to a free school meal can have a packed lunch provided by school; please indicate on the permission slip or email. Updates on the day will be posted on our Facebook page.

## Diary Dates

19<sup>th</sup> October West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village  
 21<sup>st</sup> October Term 1 Ends  
 1<sup>st</sup> November Term 2 Starts  
 9<sup>th</sup> November Westmere Flu Vaccination  
 12<sup>th</sup> November HSM Flu Vaccination  
 16<sup>th</sup> November GDE Flu Vaccination



### Parents' Evenings

You will be contacted soon by your child's class teacher to arrange a 5 minute telephone appointment. The appointments will be between 3.30pm and 6.30pm on the following dates (please note Cuba class has changed):

| CLASS     | DATE                     | CLASS    | DATE                     |
|-----------|--------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| CHINA     | 20 <sup>th</sup> October | CANADA   | 20 <sup>th</sup> October |
| AUSTRALIA | 11 <sup>th</sup> October | SPAIN    | 18 <sup>th</sup> October |
| FRANCE    | 19 <sup>th</sup> October | CUBA     | 20 <sup>th</sup> October |
| ITALY     | 19 <sup>th</sup> October | BARBADOS | 18 <sup>th</sup> October |
| BRAZIL    | 19 <sup>th</sup> October | ST LUCIA | 19 <sup>th</sup> October |
| MEXICO    | 19 <sup>th</sup> October | FINLAND  | 18 <sup>th</sup> October |
| USA       | 20 <sup>th</sup> October | SWEDEN   | 19 <sup>th</sup> October |
| PORTUGAL  | 18 <sup>th</sup> October | NORWAY   | 20 <sup>th</sup> October |

### Keeping Warm in School

Now that the weather has changed, please ensure that your child has extra layers of clothing on to keep them warm. We are following our risk assessment to stop the spread of Covid and are keeping the classroom windows open.

Kind regards  
Sally Massey

### Permission Slips

**West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village Trip Permission 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021 USA, Portugal, Canada, Spain**

I give / do not give permission for my child(ren) .....  
to attend West Stow on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of £10 per child.

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

Signed ..... Parent/Carer Date.....

### Kids' Corner

Welcome to our new Kids Corner!

Each week you will find different things here. There will be jokes, competitions, do quizzes and lots more.

#### COMPETITION

Create a poster for one or all, of our school values:

**Wisdom & Knowledge** -

**Working to Learn**

Acquiring the knowledge to equip us for the journey ahead

**Koinonia** -

**Working Together**

By combining our strengths, it helps work to be done and burdens to be carried

**Respect** -

**Working as Friends**

Everyone supports and respects each other, understanding that there are consequences to our thoughts, words and actions

**Perseverance** -

**Working Hard**

Gives us courage and strength when life is tough

