

# Newsletter

## Attendance

Weekly attendance for each school based on Friday - Thursday:

Holbeach St Marks – 98%

Gedney Drove End – 94%

Westmere – 95%

**Our target is 96%**

Each week, one child from each class will get the attendance award, and one class from each school will get the class certificate for the week.

## School Attendance – year to date

Holbeach St Marks – 95%

Gedney Drove End – 93%

Westmere – 92 %

**Our target is 96%**

## Staffing News

I am pleased to announce that Miss Richardson at Gedney Drove End is expecting a baby; we would like to congratulate her and her partner. Staffing at Gedney Drove End for next year will be finalised at the end of the summer term.

## Club Cancellations

Unfortunately, the following clubs will be cancelled due to staff training;

Date	School	Club
13th June	Gedney Drove End	Board games
27th June	Gedney Drove End	Board games
27th June	Westmere	Board Games
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Westmere	Rounders/Cricket
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Holbeach St Marks	Colouring

## Y4 National Multiplication Check

The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is a Key Stage 2 assessment to be taken by pupils at the end of Year 4. It will be administered during the week commencing Monday 12th June – Friday 16th June, within school time. The purpose of this MTC is to ensure the times table knowledge is at the expected level for these Year 4 pupils. In the 2022/2023 academic year, the MTC is statutory for primary schools. The MTC is an online test where the pupils are asked 25 questions on times tables ranging from 2 to 12. For every question, the children will have 6 seconds to answer each one. The children have been practising within their classroom learning time, and I know that some have been practising at home too.

If you do have any questions, please read the attached parent information guide, ask class teachers or visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/multiplication-tables-check>

## Headlice

Just a reminder to please check your child regularly for headlice and treat if necessary.

## Diary Dates

9<sup>th</sup> June – Class Photos

19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Bikeability Westmere

21<sup>st</sup> June – Finland & Cuba Owl Centre Trip

10<sup>th</sup> July – School Play GDE

11<sup>th</sup> July – School Play HSM

12<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers' Trip

13<sup>th</sup> July – School Play Westmere

14<sup>th</sup> July – Move Up Day

17<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day GDE / HSM

19<sup>th</sup> July – Celebration and leavers' Assembly  
Westmere

20<sup>th</sup> July – Celebration and leavers' Assembly  
HSM/GDE

21<sup>st</sup> July – Sports Day Westmere



## Trip - Cuba and Finland Classes 21<sup>st</sup> June

On Wednesday 21st June, Finland and Cuba (including preschool) will be visiting Baytree Owl Centre as part of their science topic. The trip will take place within school time with the coach picking up Gedney Drove End first at 9am and getting back to school by 2.45pm. Children should bring a packed lunch which can be ordered on the Country Kitchen website and it will be delivered to school the day before the trip, alternatively you can provide your own lunch. Children should wear their blue hoodies for the trip, bring a water bottle and a sunhat as we may picnic outside if the weather is good. The total cost to school for this trip is £11.83 per child but we are subsidising this and asking for a contribution of £5 per child. Please either sign the permission slip or email the office to give permission. Payment can be made by cash or bank transfer to the usual account.

## Uniform Order for September – GDE & HSM

If you would like uniform for September, please send your orders by **Monday 12th June**. You do not need to pay when you order, only when you collect your items. You can return the completed form or email Mrs Baxell (HSM) or Mrs Lintott (GDE) with a list.

## Request for Outdoor Toys

If anyone has any outdoor toys that they no longer want, Greece class would be very grateful for them. Please drop at Westmere Reception.

## Positive Behaviour Workshops for Parents

On Monday 12th June, there will be a workshop for parents about children's behaviour. The workshop will take place on Zoom between 7-9pm with the session looking at:

What are behaviours of concern The types of behaviours that may be displayed (such as verbal and physical aggression, breaking objects, escape and avoidance and self-neglect)	How to establish what the behaviour may be telling us Why they may happen
What happens physically to a child when displaying these behaviours	How to put a plan into place, as well as some strategies that may help reduce such behaviours and promote positive ones

The session is run by the Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum, if you wish to attend you need to register in advance, please use the following link [Events \(lincspcf.org.uk\)](https://www.lincolnschireparentcarerforum.org.uk/events)

## Reading Sessions

Each class will be having a reading session which we would like to invite parents to. Please see the table below for your session, if your class is not listed then the session has already taken place;

Class	Date	Time
China	14 <sup>th</sup> June	2.30pm – 3pm
France	13 <sup>th</sup> June	2.30pm – 3.15pm
Italy	12 <sup>th</sup> June	2pm – 3pm
Canada	6 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm-3.15pm
Spain	6 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm-3.15pm
Gedney Drove End – all classes	4 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm-3.15pm

## Request for Cardboard Tubes (HSM)

If anyone has any long cardboard tubes can you please drop these off at HSM Reception thank you?

## Spare clothes and underwear for HSM

We would be grateful for donations of spare general clothes and underwear for children at HSM. We are looking for age ranges of 2-3, 3-4 and 4-5. Thank you.

Kind regards

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## **Finland & Cuba Baytree Owl Centre**

I give / do not give permission for my child ..... to visit Baytree Owl Centre on Wednesday 21st June.

I do / do not enclose a voluntary contribution of £5 per child.

Signed ..... Date .....

