



Newsletter

Office Staff Changes

Following Mrs Hunt's retirement, we have appointed a new member of staff, Mrs Baxell, who has now started with us. She will split her time between Holbeach St Marks and Westmere. The admin staff are:

Gedney Drove End – Mrs Lintott
Holbeach St Marks a.m. – Mrs Baxell
Westmere a.m. – Mrs Thomas
Westmere p.m. – Mrs Baxell

Mrs Lintott is working over all three schools but is based mainly at Gedney Drove End. The Holbeach St Marks and Gedney Drove End telephones are still linked so you may be transferred to the other school if no-one is available.

After School Clubs - Westmere

Clubs will start on the second week back, on Monday 9th January. **Miss Pooley's board games club on a Tuesday will start on Tuesday 17th January. Unfortunately, Miss Winn's Computer Coding club will not run this term.**

Westmere Clubs – please email joanna.thomas@griffin federation.co.uk. Spaces will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Monday	Choir	KS1 and KS2	Miss Hardstaff
Monday	Animation	Y5/6	Mr Olander
Monday	Dance	KS1	Mr Timmins
Tuesday	Board Games	KS1 and KS2	Miss Pooley
Tuesday	Dance	Y3/4	Mr Timmins
Wednesday	Dance	Y5/6	Mr Timmins
Thursday	Construction	KS1	Mrs Ransom
Thursday	Craft	KS1 and KS2	Miss Ashby

After school Clubs – Gedney Drove End and Holbeach St Marks

Please see the table for start dates. If your child would like a place, please email angela.lintott@griffin federation.co.uk. Spaces will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If the club you want starts this Monday then Mrs Lintott will email or phone you by Monday lunchtime to confirm the place.

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Monday	Activity	Year 4 – 6 max 12	Miss Sage	Starts Monday 9 th January
Tuesday	Film	Year 1 – 3 max 12	Miss Wells	Starts Tuesday 17 th January
Tuesday	Colouring	All year groups max 12	Mrs Bills	Starts Tuesday 10 th January
Wednesday	Japanese	Sweden and Norway	Mrs Parr	Starts Wednesday 25 th January
Thursday	Construction	Reception – Year 4 max 15	Miss Richardson	Starts Thursday 12 th January
Friday	Dance	Year 1 – 6 max 15	Mr Timmins	Starts Friday 20 th January

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Monday	French	Year 1- 6 max 12	Mr Allcorn	Starts Monday 9 th January
Monday	iPad	Year 1 – 6 max 10	Mrs Thompson	Starts Monday 9 th January
Tuesday	Colouring	All year groups max 16	Mrs Richardson	Starts Tuesday 10 th January
Wednesday	Japanese	Barbados and St Lucia	Mrs Parr	Starts Wednesday 18 th January
Thursday	Dance	Year 1 – 6 max 12	Mr Timmins	Starts Thursday 12 th January

Applications for a Reception Place – September 2023

If your child was born between 01/09/2018 and 31/08/2019, you can apply for a reception place from now until 15th January 2023. If your child is in preschool at Holbeach St Marks and is due to start reception in September, you will still need to apply online. <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school-place>

Diary Dates

10th February – End of Term 3
20th February – Start of Term 4





The Griffin Federation

Learning Together for Excellence

Friends of Westmere

Friends of Westmere would be very grateful to receive donations of any unwanted Christmas gifts or leftover Christmas chocolate or drink, which we can use as prizes at the upcoming bingo evenings.

Road Safety

I would like to ask that all parents please drive slowly and sensibly through the villages at drop-off and pick-up times. In particular at Westmere, please ensure you follow the highway code and stop for children using the zebra crossing. Also, please DO NOT park on the zig zag lines outside the school gates. Help us keep all of our children safe - thank you. At Westmere, we ask that you park with consideration for our neighbours on Anne Road. At Holbeach St Marks please do not park in the private parking area next to the bungalows.

Kind regards

Sally Massey

Assistant Executive Headteacher

