

Gedney Hill Church of England Primary School



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Catch-up Friday 3 March

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week we've had celebrating books, our love of reading and learning about the wider world around us.

We've seen wonderful creativity and imagination with the 'three items' the children brought in for guided reading this week. They have really enjoyed sharing their items and challenging their classmates to be detectives and discover who their character is.

On Thursday the children looked amazing, and we had a school full of different characters from our favourite reads. Kingfishers and Swallows also enjoyed 'meeting' the renowned author Michael Morpurgo. We all loved joining in with the interactive quizzes during the live webinar and learnt so much about the author and his inspirations.

Thank you for your support. Getting so enthusiastically involved with what we've been doing really made the week successful. It has been fun and interactive, and has helped us all to share our favourites, encouraging others to try out new books and authors.

On Wednesday, the children in Kingfishers visited the mosque in Peterborough. The visit reinforced much of their learning from school about Islam, bringing it all to life in a wonderful and exciting way. The children were amazed by the beautiful hand-painted calligraphy decorating the mosque and the stunning chandeliers.

The children were an absolute credit to us all, listening with respect and interest to the Iman and asking thoughtful questions.

School Easter Fayre (Children's Enterprise Event) Friday 31 March

I would like to especially highlight the date of our Easter Fayre and ask you to add it to your dairies: Friday 31 March.

The children in Swallows are already working hard in their business teams designing products and working within a budget to produce quality items to sell on the day. To do this they have had to work co-operatively and use skills from across the curriculum, for example maths, DT and English.

Each business has chosen a charity to support and will be leading Collective Worship next week telling us all about their choices and thinking about how we can "Serve one another in love" Galations5:13.

The children are also looking forward to entertaining you at our Easter Fayre. They're in full swing learning and rehearsing country dances and tunes on their Ukuleles to celebrate Spring.

The children in Kingfishers and Robins will be designing and cooking delicious delights to tempt you on the day too.

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Further updates and information (created by the children themselves) will follow shortly.

PTFA News

School disco dates:

EYFS, Year 1 & Y2 - 10th March.

KS2 Y3,4,5, & 6 - 24th March. Further information will be sent home shortly.

More information on any of the above and more can be found on the school website and the PTFA Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ghssptfa> <https://www.shepeaustowschool.co.uk/ghssptfa>

Other Diary Dates and Reminders

New dates highlighted in yellow.

6 March	Federation Assessment Week	
14 March	Parent Consultation Evening	7 March appointments sent home.
17 March	Virtual Author Visit for Swallows Maggie Aderin-Pocock	10am
21 March	Family Library	3.20 – 4pm
28 March	Easter Cracked – Swallows – details to follow.	1pm
31 March	School Easter Fayre (Children's Enterprise Event)	1.30pm
20 April – 25 April	Federation Scholastic Book Fare	After school in the Gedney Hill School Hall. More details to follow.
24 April	'Let's Talk Rubbish' - Workshops for all classes about recycling and looking after our environment.	Within the school day.
25 April	Family Library	
During May	KS1 SATs	
9 May – 12 May	KS2 SATs	
16 May	Early Learners to start	1.30pm – 2.45pm
5 June – 19 June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks	
12 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening	
15 June	Sports Afternoon	
26 June	Federation Assessment Week	

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Kind regards,

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