

# Gedney Hill Church of England Primary School



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## Catch-up Friday 26 May

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has been full and busy, and next term will be just as exciting with many planned events like sports day, two more class trips, mini-Olympics for Year 1 & 2 and the Production! Production preparation has already started with the children learning their class songs and Karl, our music specialist, is auditioning children for the main roles today.

We at school wish you the very best for a happy and safe half term holiday and are looking forward to welcoming you back on Monday 5 June.

## Flag Fen

On Tuesday, Kingfishers travelled back in time to the Bronze Age when we visited Flag Fen.

They became archaeologists handling artifacts and using their detective skills to propose ideas for what the items were; what might they have been used for and what they might tell us about the people of the time. The children were full of questions and came up with imaginative ideas about the items explaining and justifying their ideas. They made clay pots and decorated them just as Bronze Age people would have and explored the site learning so much about life back then.

Before coming back to the twenty first century we all gathered around the fire in the round house for an exciting story!

## Church Schools Festival

On Wednesday, our Year 6 children travelled to Lincoln to visit the Cathedral and take part in the annual Church Schools' Festival.

The children all agreed it was "a fun day," and they had, "a whale of a time!". They joined in with a choir workshop, learning actions along with the words; took part in a craft session creating stained glass window designs and making bookmarks; they completed a scavenger hunt searching out artifacts and information to learn the history of the cathedral, were challenged to build Gothic and Norman arches and enjoyed a little drama dressing up as priests.

The day culminated in a service where two of the children carried our school banner during the procession through the cathedral and another of our children was presented with a candle that we are now using in our daily Collective Worship.

## Danish Longball

Some of our Year 4 and 5 children were also out on Wednesday. They had a fun day, enjoying a morning of sport and honing their recently acquired Danish Longball skills.

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## Family Library – New Dates

Tuesday 13 June - 3.20pm – 4pm

Tuesday 3 July - 3.20pm – 4pm

The Junior Librarians and I hoping you'll find the time to visit our wonderful library and take part in the fun activities on offer.

There will be:

- Time for the children to share and borrow books to read at home.
- Story Time for the EYFS and KS1.
- Computers available for the children to use for homework, research, TTRockstars etc (normal school internet safety rules will apply).
- A craft activity.
- A book swap for adults – a collection of books for you to browse and borrow. It would also be great if you were able to bring books that you have enjoyed reading and swap them for a different book to take home and enjoy.
- Free tea and coffee for the adults.

## After School Clubs

The only weekly club that will continue after half term will be Garden Club. The last week for Gardening Club is Monday 26 June.

Clubs will start again in the autumn term.

## PTFA News

If you have placed a Krispy Kreme order, they are ready for collection at school pick up. Thank you to those who ordered!

After half term:

Bag2School flyers have come home in book bags and explain what is acceptable to donate. Please bring bags to school from Monday 5th June. Collection will be at 9am on Tuesday 6th June.

There will be a dress down day on Friday 9th June in exchange for tombola prizes (an opportunity to up-cycle excess gifts, etc) or a bottle for our bottle hoopla stall (any alcohol must be handed in to the school office by an adult).

Federation Summer Fete 2023- 12-4pm on 9th July at Shepeau Stow School Field.

Please email [info@ghssptfa.co.uk](mailto:info@ghssptfa.co.uk) with any queries, offers or for any help.

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## Other Diary Dates and Reminders

New dates highlighted in yellow.

26 May	Last day of Term	
5 June	First day of the new Term	
9 June	Dress Down Day – donation of prizes for Summer Fete tombola	
5 June – 19 June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks	
12 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening	
15 June	Sports Afternoon	
19 June	Robins trip to Sacrewell Farm	Within the school day
26 June	Swallows' visit to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park	More details to follow.
26 June	Federation Assessment Week	
11 & 12 July	Federation Production (Years 2,3 4, 5 & 6)	Details to follow
20 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	2pm Year 6 families only
21 July	Last day of the Summer Term	Normal hours

## Today is the last day of this half term.

This term has been full and busy. We at school all wish you the very best for a happy and safe half term holiday and are looking forward to welcoming you back on Monday 5 June.

Kind regards,

Mrs J Barmby  
Head of School  
Gedney Hill C of E Primary School