

# The Federation of Gedney Hill CoE and Shepeau Stow Primary Schools



**Gedney Hill CoE Primary School**

**Our Vision is** to provide all members of the school community with the opportunities to engage with 'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10) by igniting imagination and curiosity which builds an enduring passion for life-long learning.



**Shepeau Stow Primary School**

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## Catch-up Friday 7th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Clubs

This term the following clubs will be running:- Monday evening – Year 1 and year 2 Lego club with Mrs Beale and Year 6 Maths club with Mr Collin. Wednesday – Year 3,4 and 5 Mindfulness with Ms Mozejko. Unfortunately, not enough children were interested to run the chess club, so this is now cancelled.

Gardening Club will run at lunchtimes this term as it is quite dark after school now. This club will be organised within school.

### Children In Need

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November we will be having a 'dress down' day for a donation to the Children In Need appeal.

### Library

The Library will be open 3 days per week and run by our school librarians for the younger children to listen to a story or for the free readers to have a quiet place to sit and read.

Family Library dates are as follows:

5<sup>th</sup> December  
16<sup>th</sup> January  
13<sup>th</sup> February

### Trips

Puffins had a fantastic time visiting Peterborough Museum. They learned about the life and work of Edith Cavell. Woodpeckers will be visiting the Mandir in Peterborough on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November to learn more about RE.

### Panto

We have once again booked a Pantomime in school. The date for this can be found below. The children really enjoyed the experience last year.

### Early Birds and Night Owls

These are up and running at both schools. We are now able to accept Child Tax Care vouchers. The information for this has been sent out. If you need any further information please speak to Mrs Ladley.

### Term dates next year

These are all on our website and the local authority website. Term time holidays will not be authorised. We will be sending out further information on the changes to fines for absences in line with new government guidance. It should be noted that these are now on an increasing scale. Requests for authorised absences must be made in advance. Please see the link to the school attendance policy for both schools on the federation tab. [Attendance Policy](#) ([shepeaustow.school.co.uk](http://shepeaustow.school.co.uk))

## PTFA

AGM- We have set a new date for our AGM, we hope you are able to attend on Monday 25th November 6:00pm-6:30pm

Christmas Bingo- thank you for all the very generous donations from dress down day last week towards our Christmas Bingo Night. We look forward to seeing lots of our school community on Wednesday 4th December, Doors Open 6pm, Eyes Down at 7pm.

Christmas Class Fundraising- Pre-ordered items should have made their way home with the children this week. Lots of lovely items heading home with your little one's creations on them!

### Diary Dates and Reminders

12 November	Individual School Photographs	
15 November	Dress Down Day for Children in Need	
18 November	Y6 visit to Spalding Baptist Church – Christmas Unwrapped	
19 November	Woodpeckers & Kingfishers trip to Mandir, Peterborough	
21 November	Reading & Phonics evening (moved from 14 <sup>th</sup> November)	5pm – Shepeau Stow School
26 November	Bag2School Collection	9am collection
3 December	Eagles and Swallows Trip to Duxford	
4 December	PTFA Christmas Bingo	Doors open 6pm Eyes down 7pm
5 December	Family Library Time	3.30-4pm
5 December	Flu immunisations mop up session	
10 December	Shepeau Stow Nativity	
12 December	School Pantomime	
18 December	Christmas Party Day	
16 January	Maths information evening	5pm – Gedney Hill School
16 January	Family Library Time	3.30-4pm
17 January	Eagles visit to Holbeach Hospital	
13 February	Family Library Time	3-30-4pm
17 March	Parent Consultations and opportunity to look at your child's books	
26 June	Sports Day	

Kind regards,

Jenny Beale  
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Shepeau Stow School