

Gedney Hill Church of England Primary School



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Tuesday 24th March Catch-up

Dear Parents and Carers

You will notice this week that we will have a reduced amount of support staff on site towards the end of the week at both schools. This is because they are accessing a very valuable package of training this year with all our local partnership schools. This week the focus is on supporting anxiety, school-based avoidance and mental health in primary aged children.



Every week children from each class are chosen to be our stars of the week. These children are often selected because they have demonstrated one or more of our five core school values - Perseverance, Responsibility, Respect, Service and Wisdom. Our stars of week are celebrated during our weekly celebration assembly.

Our stars this week are...

Swallows – Freddie & Elicia

Kingfishers – Vinnie & Oliver

Robins – Darija & Dolcie-Anne

Weather conditions

Although the weather is sunny, it is still really chilly. Please remind your child to bring their coat to school. Children in EYFS do need wellies on site too. If you are unable to buy any please let us know and we can help out.

Bikeability

It has been so good to see pupils riding their bikes through Gedney Hill demonstrating one of our core values of wisdom by wearing their cycle helmets and using good road sense when I am driving home.

11 plus registration reminder

If you have a child in Year 5 the cut off for registering for the 11 plus is March 31st. We do not do this. It is the parent's responsibility.

Trips

Year 6 pupils from both schools will be attending Easter Cracked on Thursday.

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Term dates next year and beyond

These are all on our website and the local authority website. Term time holidays will not be authorised. 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 \(gedneyhillschool.co.uk\)](https://gedneyhillschool.co.uk) If your child is absent, please contact the school office or email the enquiries email address. If we don't hear from you, we will do safe and well checks. These checks take up lots of time and take staff away from what they should be doing in school with the pupils.

Message from the PTFA

Thank you to everyone who attended our Easter Bingo event last week. We raised an incredible £730.34!

With summer around the corner, don't forget about our preloved uniform items. We have lots of lovely items available at a suggested donation of £1. Please get in touch if we can get anything for you.

Diary Dates and Reminders

24 th March	Swallows trip to Leicester Space Centre	Children to be in School at 7.45am please
26 th March	Easter Cracked – Year 6	Spalding Baptist Church
11 th May – 15 th May	SAT's Week (Year 6)	
19 th May	PTFA Meeting	
19 th May	Church School Festival – Year 6 – Lincoln Cathedral	
1 st – 5 th June	Year 4 Multiplication check	
8 th June	Farming & Countryside Day – Year 6	Lambert Hall Farm, Weston
8 th June - 12 th June	Phonics Screening Check	Year 1 Pupils and any Year 2 Pupils who did not achieve a score of 32 or above in Year 1.
18 th June	Sports Day	
28 th June	PTFA Summer Fete	Gedney Hill School 12-4pm
29 th & 30 th June	University Academy Long Sutton Year 6 transition days	
2 nd & 3 rd July	University Academy Holbeach Year 6 transition days	
3 rd July	Spalding High School Year 6 transition day	
6 th July	PTFA Meeting	
7 th & 8 th July	Federation Summer Production	Gedney Hill School – More details to follow nearer the time
22 nd July	Leavers Assembly	

Yours sincerely

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