

The Federation of Gedney Hill CoE and Shepeau Stow Primary Schools



Gedney Hill & Shepeau Stow Primary School

Our vision is to foster a community of lifelong learners who are confident, resilient, and equipped with the necessary skills to thrive in an ever-changing world. We believe in the importance of inclusivity, respect, and mutual understanding, ensuring that our whole community feel a sense of belonging.

Respect—Responsibility—Service—Wisdom—Perseverance

Tuesday 31st March Catch-up

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have reached the end of the Spring Term! On Thursday the children will all be receiving an Easter Egg from the PTFA. A big thank you to all those involved in the fund raising for this. Children return to school on Tuesday 21st April. We have a training day on 20th April so the offices will be manned if you need to get in touch.

Mrs Buddle will not be on site on Thursday 2nd April but will be contactable by staff on site.

Topic Newsletters will be out to you this week for each class.

Staffing

Mrs Barmby will be back in school after the Easter break.

We are looking for a key holder/caretaker for 2 hours per day. The post involves opening up in the mornings at 7 am and carrying out weekly checks of fire alarms etc. The post does include working during the holidays to maintain the checks and open up for workmen etc. The post is a regulated activity and therefore subject to safer recruitment checks. If you are interested, please contact Colette.ladley@shepeaustow.lincs.sch.uk.

Stomach bugs

Please can we remind all parents that children need to stay off school for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhea. This prevents the spread to pupils and staff.

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.

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 \(shepeaustow-school.co.uk\)](https://www.shepeaustow-school.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

2 nd April	Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight Checks	
2 nd April	Last day of Term 4	
21 st April	First day of Term 5	
11 th May – 15 th May	SAT's Week (Year 6)	
18 th May	Dental Checks for 5-year-olds	Consent forms coming home with eligible children today
19 th May	PTFA Meeting	
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.
11 th June	Sports Day	
28 th June	PTFA Summer Fete	Gedney Hill School 12-4
29 th June	Spalding Academy Year 6 transition day	
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
21 st July	Leavers Assembly	

Yours sincerely

Jenny Beale
Head of School
Shepeau Stow Primary School