

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



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## Shepeau Stow Primary School July 2022 Newsletter

### Dates For your Diary – July

#### Federation Performance: Wednesday 13 July and Thursday 14 July

I'm very excited to announce the return of our end of Year Federation Production!

The children have started their rehearsals for the Federation Performance of 'Much Ado about Disco!' The play is set in the 70s, in the era of disco dancing and flared trousers!

Each class is busy learning their songs and perfecting their disco moves, while the principal actors are honing their acting skills.

#### Outfits for the production

We would like to ask that the children get into character for the performances by wearing an outfit suitable to the fashions of the 70s. We appreciate your support with this.

We will be holding dress rehearsals in the week commencing Monday 11 July. Please could children bring in their costumes that Monday in a named bag.

The live shows will be on Wednesday 13 July and Thursday 14 July: one in the afternoon (starting at 2pm) and one in the evening (starting at 5.30pm). In the evening children will need to arrive at 5.20pm please.

The shows will need to be ticketed events because of health and safety regulations. More details about ticketing will follow later this week. This information will include a return slip to request tickets.

#### Year 6 Leavers' Assembly: Friday 22 July

We would like to invite parents and families of our Year 6 children to join the Staff and all the children in a celebration of our Year 6's journey through their time with us. Individual invitations will be sent out soon to help us with the organisation. We hope you will be able to join us as we look back with joy and pride and forward with excitement to the next stage of their life's journeys.

The Assembly will be on the last day of term at 2pm.

### News from June – What's been happening?

The last few weeks have been exciting and very busy. The children have been taking part in a wide range of amazing activities.

#### Cambridge University Botanical Gardens

Over the course of two days the whole Federation travelled to Cambridge to visit the Botanic Gardens. The weather was good, and the children had a fantastic time showing real curiosity and creativity.

While we were there the children 'travelled' the world visiting diverse biomes. They experienced vastly different environments and learnt how plants adapt to survive. The children also demonstrated

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amazing art skills as they completed their life drawing of plants, just as botanists from the past have done. The large grounds of the gardens were the perfect place to

learn about map reading using six figure grid references in an orienteering challenge. The younger children did bark rubbing and worked together to discover the age of trees by measuring circumferences with their own bodies and compared with standard measures too. The lovely fountains provided a super resource to complete a Shape Safari too. One child said, "It's just like Forest School!"

## Sports Day

What fantastic sportspeople our children are! They raced with enthusiasm and encouraged each other with kindness and generosity. The sun shone and it was great, at last, to be able to have such a lovely 'whole community' event in school. Thank you for your support.

Yew triumphed in the end, but all of our children were winners with their positive attitudes and zeal.

## Messages for School

When you need to contact school with any message about absences, school collection, school meals and general enquiries please use [enquiries@shepeaustow.linc.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@shepeaustow.linc.sch.uk). You can also call in at the main office, send in a signed note with your child or call the main office: 01406 330395.

## Other Key Dates

Friday 1 July	Year 6 Taster Day	Spalding Schools
Tuesday 5 July	Parents of next year's EYFS children	New Intake meetings at 5.30pm
Sunday 10 July	Whole Federation at Gedney Hill	School Fete
Tuesday 12 July	Year 6 Taster Day	The Deepings
Wednesday 13 July	Whole Federation Performances: afternoon and evening	Gedney Hill School
Thursday 14 July	Whole Federation Performance: afternoon and evening.	Gedney Hill School
Wednesday 20 July	Year 6 Leavers' Trip	
Friday 22 July	Leavers' Assemblies at 2pm	End of Term

Thank you,

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