

Gedney Hill Church of England Primary School



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Catch-up Friday 2 December

Coats

The days can be cold and damp now, please make sure your child brings a coat and jumper to school. They may need them at morning or lunch break. We do endeavour to get the children outside to play unless it is heavy rain.

Reading Books and Book Bags

Please support and help your child to remember to bring in their reading books and reading diary every day. We would also appreciate it if water bottles weren't put in book bags as occasionally the bottles do leak, and this damages the books.

Thank you.

Kingfisher Trip to Stibbington – Thursday 8 December

The children will be enjoying a Victorian Day when the clock is turned back to the Victorian era. The children will be given names that were common during Victorian times and experience some of the lessons and playtime activities that were common at the time.

They will go for a walk around the village to see some of the Victorian buildings and will have a lesson in the Victorian Classroom.

It would be great if the children are able to wear clothes suitable for children in the Victorian era, but this is not compulsory. They will need a packed lunch and a drink in disposable packaging. It would be great if the packed lunch could be as authentic to the time period as possible – sandwiches (cheese, spam or jam), spice cake, an apple and blackcurrant cordial are all typical of the time. However, this also isn't compulsory.

Robins' Nativity 14 December

The Robins' Nativity play will be performed on Wednesday 14th December at 2.00 and 5.30 pm in our village church: Holy Trinity.

We really hope that you'll be able to come and share this special occasion with us.

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Children have been assigned roles and the majority of the costumes will be provided by the school. If your child needs to bring in anything for the Nativity Mrs Ward will ensure you know today; your child will bring home a note detailing anything they need. It would be appreciated if anything needed from home could be brought into school in a named bag by Friday 9 December.

Thank you.

After-School Clubs

Next week will be the last week for most after-school clubs this term. However, due to Staff training Mrs Wards' club will be cancelled.

Clubs will continue after the Christmas break and letters will be sent home about this at the start of the new term. Some clubs will continue as they are, but there may be new clubs starting too.

The only club that will take place the following week will be Family Library time.

Family Library Time

The date for this month's Family Library Time will have to be moved as I am on a course and off site on Thursday 8 December. The new date will be Thursday 15 December – the perfect time to get a good book to enjoy over the Christmas holiday. There will be the usual activities too: story time, a craft activity and laptops for sites such as TTRockstars as well as a cuppa for the adults. I hope to see you there.

Christmas Cards

For those children who wish to send Christmas cards, the post box will be ready for use next week - starting Monday 5 December.

Year 6 SATs

The dates for Year 6 SATs have been amended by the government because of the extra bank holiday granted for King Charles' Coronation. The tests will be delayed by one day, so the dates are now Tuesday 9 May to Friday 12 May inclusive.

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More Diary Dates and Reminders

7 December	Year 1 Catching and Throwing Festival	
8 December	Kingfishers' Victorian Trip to Stibbington	
13 December	Christmas Lunch	
14 December	Nativity Play at Holy Trinity Church	2pm and 5.30pm
16 December	Class Christmas Parties End of Term	Details to follow, but the children will be allowed to wear their party clothes.
26 January	Parent Maths Information Evening	6.30pm
2 March	World Book Day	
6 March	Federation Assessment Week	
31 March	School Spring Fayre (children's enterprise event)	1.30pm
During May	KS1 SATs	
8 May – 12 May	KS2 SATs	
16 May	Early Learners to start	1.30pm – 2.45pm
5 June – 19 June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks	
12 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening	
15 June	Sports Afternoon	
26 June	Federation Assessment Week	

Kind regards,

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