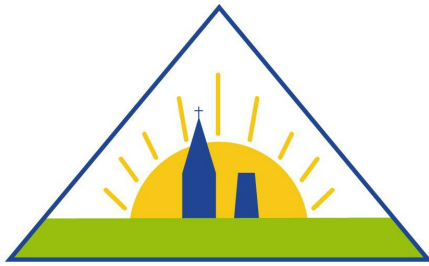


The Federation of Gedney Hill CoE and Shepeau Stow Primary Schools



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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Summer Term Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome back to the Summer term. I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and been able to catch up with friends and family.

Well done to all the children for their efforts at the Easter Fayres. Fantastic products sold with lots of hard work by Swallows and Eagles across last term designing their items as part of their Enterprise projects. Full details of how much the children raised for their designated charities will be sent out separately on our catch ups.

Statutory Assessment

This term sees statutory assessments for children in Y1, Y2, Y4 and Y6. As a federation we prepare our children for these throughout their school life by using NFER testing termly from Spring term of Y1. This familiarises the children with the format of testing and ensures that the actual tests feel more normal. Phonics is assessed in school every 6-8 weeks so our Y1 pupils are very familiar with phonics assessments. Results from all statutory assessments are sent out with our end of year reports alongside teacher assessments.

Assessment dates have been sent out regularly on our Friday Catch-ups and can be found on the school website. Please do check your Friday catch-ups as this is our main way of keeping you up to date with events in both schools.

Trips

This term we also have various trips and events happening. It is very busy. All our dates can be found on the school calendars as soon as events are booked and confirmed. Please make sure you are looking at the correct school calendar as the dates for some events do vary.

This term the children in Eagles, Kingfishers, Swallows and Woodpeckers will be preparing for our end of term production with Karl. Closer to the event we will be sending out information about timings and tickets. Tickets will be limited but there will be no charge.

Strike action.

There are planned strikes by teaching unions again this term. Currently proposed strike action is set for Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May. We will notify parents at the earliest opportunity of any classes that will be closed for those days. We will send home learning links for pupils. Unfortunately, due to staffing levels any cover for pupils within those classes will be prioritised depending on staffing ratios available on the day. Children who come under the **vulnerable pupils category** will be prioritised on strike days **if** we are able to provide any cover. This will follow a risk assessment of staffing levels. In order to minimise the impact on the pupils across the federation, staffing from other classes will not be redeployed to other areas of the schools.

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Reception 2023 New Intake

Session dates for those pupils who have a confirmed place within our schools will be sent out to parents during the week beginning 24th April.

It just remains for me to say thank you all for your continued support across our federation.

Yours sincerely

Alison Buddle

Executive Headteacher