## 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.



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## Catch-up Friday 20 October

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **TT Rockstars Day**

Well done to all of our children for participating in such a successful day. Children fully embraced the day in costumes and through the activities that focussed on learning multiplication in a fun way. The day finished with a celebratory assembly where all the children were recognised for their work during the day.

#### **Numbots**

We will be introducing a new app called Numbots to our school. Numbots is a fantastic app that can be used to support our children who are starting their maths journey. It is made by the same company as TT Rockstars so no additional log on details are required by children in year 2 and above. Younger children will be issued with log on details in the next few weeks.

The app is available to use from Reception to Year 3 and uses 'stories' to support children with:

- subitising small numbers
- adding and subtracting 1 & 2 within 20
- adding and subtracting 10
- adding and subtracting within 20
- addition and subtraction with simple 2-digit numbers
- addition and subtraction involving more complex 2-digit numbers

### **Woodpeckers Trip**

Woodpeckers together with Kingfishers class had a great day out on Wednesday to the Owl sanctuary to learn about the birds of prey. The children demonstrated super listening skills and exceptionally good behaviour during the day.

## **PTFA**

For more information on our fundraising efforts please check our Facebook Group or school website via the following links:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ghssptfa

https://www.shepeaustowschool.co.uk/ghssptfa

## **Dress Down Day**

We will be having a dress down day on Friday 3 November. Please bring a donation for bingo prizes for the PTFA bingo night.

## **End of Term**

As we come to the end of a very busy first half term of the year we would like to thank all of the children, parents and carers for all of their hard work and continued support and wish you all a very well earned rest.

We will see you all back on Tuesday 31st October!

# **Diary Dates and Reminders**

20 October	Last day of Term 1	
31 October	Term 2	
1 November	Eagles trip to Nene Valley Railway	
1 November	Library Parent and Child session	3.30pm until 4pm
2 November	Parent Coffee Morning – supporting children with social communication difficulties. This is being run by the Working Together Team and will take place at Gedney Hill School	
3 November	PTFA Disco (Year 3 – Year 6)	
3 November	Dress Down day	Please bring a donation for bingo prizes for the PTFA bingo night
13 November	PTFA Annual General Meeting – All welcome	
14 November	Individual and family photos	
17 November	Children In Need event	Dress in yellow or spots
20 November	Y6 trip to Spalding Baptist Church for Christmas unwrapped	
28 November	Puffins trip to Baytree Garden Centre	
6 December	Library Parent and child session	3.30pm until 4pm
13 December	Nativity	2pm and 5.30pm
15 December	School Christmas Dinner (please order from A country Kitchen)	
20 December	Last day of Term 2	
3 January <b>2024</b>	Term 3	
8 - 9 Jan	Reception Balance Bikes with Bikeability	
9 Feb	End of Term 3	
19 February – 28 March	Term 4	
16 April – 24 May	Term 5	
May	KS2 Sats	Year 6 pupils only
3 June – 19 July	Term 6	
3 June	Multiplication check will take place during the 2 weeks beginning 3 June	Year 4 pupils only
10 June	Phonics Screening will take place during this week	Year 1 pupils and any Y2 pupils who did not meet the threshold last year
17 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	
19 July	Last day of the Summer Term	

Kind regards,

Mrs J Beale Head of School Shepeau Stow Primary School