

# Gedney Hill Church of England Primary School



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## Catch-up Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Welcome

Welcome back to all our children and families to what will be another busy term. I hope you had a good break over Easter. We are looking forward to some brighter weather and lighter days in which to learn as the Summer term moves forward.

### Robins Trip

A reminder that Robins will be on their trip to Ferry Meadows on Tuesday. They need to have appropriate clothing for the weather as they will be outside most of the day.

### Clubs

These will restart on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and run as before.

### PE

PE takes place on a Friday for all children at Gedney Hill and it is expected that all children bring a PE kit into school. Children can bring their PE kits into school at the beginning of term in an appropriate PE bag and leave it on their coat pegs to use weekly if parents wish to do so.

Please be reminded that it is crucial that jewellery is removed, and long hair is tied back for the safety of the children before they come into school on PE days. Children should also wear appropriate footwear for school during the summer term and not open toed sandals.

### Absences

Please notify the school on the first day of absence before 9am wherever possible. You can send an email to the school enquiries email address, leave a Parentmail message or call school. **Please do not send absence emails directly to staff members as they are not always monitored as some office staff are part-time.** Where we have not received a reason for absence, we may do a safe and well visit to the house to ensure there are no safeguarding concerns.

### Contact school outside of working hours

We do receive a high number of emails over the weekend. Please can I remind parents that we will respond to these on Monday mornings and not before unless they are for a safeguarding concern. Safeguarding emails should be sent directly to me [alison.buddle@gedney-hill.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:alison.buddle@gedney-hill.lincs.sch.uk). We don't respond to breakfast club requests etc over the weekend. These should all be made by Friday. If you do need breakfast club urgently on a Monday morning, please do not just drop and go – you must speak to me to ensure the registers are updated and that we are in ratio for pupil numbers.

### Invitations

We are happy for children to give party invitations out on the playground after school. Unfortunately, staff are not able to give out personal invitations to individuals in school time.

### PTFA

Easter Bingo: Thank you to everyone who was involved in this event! Not only as much fun as our Christmas Bingo but just as successful at raising more funds to go towards providing so much for all the children in our federation! We raised a fantastic £1253.40!

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Disco: For our EYFS, Year 1 and 2 families, you should have received a permission slip in book bags before the Easter break. If your child(ren) would like to attend, please return the slip along with payment by Monday (22nd) by 9am.

## Diary Dates and Reminders

23 April	Robins trip to Ferry Meadows	
26 April	EYFS & KS1 PTFA Disco – 6PM - Ticket price £3	Please return slips by 9am 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
13-14 May	Reception Balance Bikes with Bikeability	
13 - 16 May	KS2 Sats	Year 6 pupils only
15 May	Kingfishers trip to West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village	
17 May	KS2 Disco – 6PM – Ticket price £3	More details to follow
20 May	Road Safety – Year 2	
22 May	Church Schools Festival – Year 6	
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.
10 June	Class Photographs	
18 June	Robins trip to Burghley House	
26 June	Sports Day	
14 July	Federation Summer Fete	Taking place at Gedney Hill C of E Primary School
18 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	
19 July	Last day of the Summer Term	

Kind regards,

Alison Buddle,  
Executive Headteacher