

The Federation of Gedney Hill CoE and Shepeau Stow Primary Schools



Our vision is to foster a community of lifelong learners who are confident, resilient, and equipped with the necessary skills to thrive in an ever-changing world. We believe in the importance of inclusivity, respect, and mutual understanding, ensuring that our whole community feel a sense of belonging.

Respect—Responsibility—Service—Wisdom—Perseverance

SHEPEAU STOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 16th October – Weekly Catch up

Dear Parents & Carers,

A huge thank you to all our families for your support with the Harvest Festival celebrations and for your generous donations. It was lovely to see many families joining us and helping to make it a special occasion for our children. We really appreciate your continued support.

Our book fair is still open at Gedney Hill School so there is still time to pop along, explore the fantastic selection of books and perhaps find a new favourite to enjoy at home. Thank you as always for helping us to nurture a love of reading in our children.

Celebrating Success!

Well done to the following children who have been recognised for the work and diligence in showing our school values this week:

Puffins – Jacob & Junior

Woodpeckers – Havana & Dexter

Eagles – Jacob & Joshua

If your child has achieved a medal, certificate or trophy for success outside of school, your child can bring it in on a

Friday and we would love to celebrate their achievement in our assembly!



Forest School

Children enjoyed spending time outdoors on Thursday during our Forest School sessions. They took part in various activities including den building and enjoyed working together as a team.

Wraparound Childcare

Our Early Birds and Night Owls wraparound care is open to all children at Shepeau Stow School. If you are looking for childcare, please book via Arbor, or for last minute bookings, please email enquiries@shepeaustow.lincs.sch.uk. Bookable hours can be of your choosing.

Early Birds – 8:00am-8:45am

Night Owls – 3:30pm-6pm

Cookery club takes place on a Wednesday, last week children made cookies. Next week children will be making Jelly worms.

Winter Flu Vaccinations

Flu vaccinations will be taking place in school on the 5th November. You will have been sent a text/email from the flu immunisation team to provide consent.

Parent's Evening

Booking forms have now been sent out for parent's evening on Wednesday 20th October 2026. Please book your appointment and we look forward to seeing you.

Term dates next year and beyond.

These are all on our website and the local authority website. Term time holidays will not be authorised. It should be noted that these are now on an increasing scale. Requests for authorised absences must be made in advance. Please see the link to the school attendance policy for both schools on the federation tab of the school website. If your child is absent, please contact the school office or email the enquiries email address. If we don't hear from you, we may deem it necessary to undertake a 'safe and well check'.

MESSAGE FROM THE PTFA

Class Fundraising designs have been received. Please check your child's book bag for their designs, and instructions on how to place your orders. The shop closes on Thursday 22nd October, so please be sure to place your orders before then!

Elfridge's - information about our new event has come home and can be found on our Facebook page. You can order your child's token(s) to be able to purchase a gift or two for those special people in their life by clicking this link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdU1JnjhDh_Maxpgy0X7YmLOTLowtrdsjN9IBPOZmBYtfwd_g/viewform. Only those children who have prepaid tokens will be allowed to purchase items from Elfridge's on 3rd December (SS) and 4th December (GH).

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) is taking place next Thursday 22nd October from 4-4:30pm at Shepeau Stow Primary. This is open to all parents/carers of the federation. We will have a recap on the last year's fundraising and where the funds have gone. We will also be electing our 2026-2027 committee and officers.

Information about the 13th November Silent Disco (taking place at GH, open to all pupils in the federation) has come out in book bags. Please ensure you RSVP to secure your child's place by the published deadline of 6th November.

Diary Dates

Dates	Activity	Further information
20.10.26	Parent Consultations	Please book an appointment
22.10.26	PTFA Annual General Meeting	4pm - Shepeau Stow

5.11.26	Flu Vaccinations	
WC 9.11.26	Assessment week	
10.11.26	School Photographer	Individual and Sibling photographs
13.11.26	Children in Need Dress Down Day	
13.11.26	PTFA Silent Disco	6-7.30pm @ Gedney Hill
16.11.26	Odd Socks Day for Antibullying week	
27.11.26	Crazy Hair Day	In return for a donation to the PTFA Christmas raffle
30.11.26	PTFA Committee Meeting	6pm - Shepeau Stow
1.12.26	Christmas unwrapped	Year 6 – Spalding Baptist Church
3.12.26	Flu Immunisation mop up session	
3.12.26	PTFA Elfridges Gift Shop	Tokens to be paid for by 23 rd October
9.12.26	Nativity at Shepeau Stow (Puffins Class only)	2pm & 5pm
16.12.26	Christmas Party Day	
2.3.27	Class Photographs	
7.3.27-10.3.27	Aylmerton Residential Trip	Year 5 & Year 6

Warm Regards

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