

# The Federation of Gedney Hill CoE and Shepeau Stow Primary Schools



**Our Vision** is to ignite imagination and curiosity which builds an enduring passion for life-long learning

Dear Parents

March 2022

This term seems to be passing very quickly. We have had lots happening in school including the opening of our new libraries. The children are really enjoying using them and choosing from the new books. The library times that you can visit with your child at each school are on the website. Our school librarians are being chosen and will be visible by their new badges. Mrs Barmby is running story time at each school one day a week.

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March I will not be in school as I will be attending my mum's funeral. In my absence Mrs Barmby will be on site. Should you need to contact me for any reason urgently please contact her instead. Over the next few months there will be some occasions when Mrs Barmby will be here acting on my behalf as my husband is currently unwell. The governors have agreed that Mrs Barmby is best placed to cover for me as she knows both schools so well. She has kindly agreed to take on this role in addition to her new post in school as Lead Practitioner developing our middle leaders so you may see her around more than the planned two days a week.

A few reminders for the children;

Long hair should be tied back in school for both boys and girls

No make-up is to be worn in school and jewellery should only be small stud earrings or a religious piece of jewellery

For PE children should avoid wearing hooded tops, a sweatshirt is more practical

Next week the children in Y6 will be visiting the Baptist Church in Spalding to take part in Easter Cracked. We will also be sending four teams of 10 to Ultimate Frisbee in Holbeach.

The trips this term to Burghley House and The Space Centre were fantastic experiences for the children and it was great to be able to get back out on visits. During the Summer term the children will all be going to the Botanic Gardens in Cambridge. The coaches for this are being funded by the PTFA. This will enable all our children to have a free school visit this year.

I have provisionally booked a residential trip for Autumn 2022. Letters for this will be going out to pupils who are currently in Year 4 and 5 as they will be Year 5 and 6 next year. The letters should come out next week with costs and further information.

Early learners will receive information about our sessions after the Easter break when places have been confirmed.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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