



Newsletter



Keeping you in touch with events at the Federation of Shepeau Stow Primary
and Gedney Hill C of E Primary Schools
May 2014

Dear Parents

I would like to start by saying well done to all the year 6 pupils who took their SATs tests last week. They conducted themselves fabulously through what can be a very tiring week for them. Thanks to Mrs North for her breakfasts at Gedney Hill every day too! The children are still working hard as our final teacher assessments aren't submitted until closer to the end of the year.

Swimming

Children from Swallows class and Class 3 will be swimming after the half-term break. The cost of this is £2.50 per week. Can I remind all parents that children are not allowed to wear earrings or tape them for any kind of sports activity.



Bingo

Don't forget the bingo tomorrow night at Gedney Hill Village Hall. This will raise funds for both schools.



Staffing changes

As many of you are already aware Mrs Cleland will be leaving us at the end of the year. She has worked at both schools and will be a great loss to the federation. I am sure you will join with me in wishing her well for the future.

We are currently advertising for a new Assistant Head of Federation and will update after the interviews have taken place.

Mrs McDonagh will also be leaving at the end of July to take up a full time post in Peterborough. We wish her success in her new job and thank her for the time she has spent at Gedney Hill.

Miss Brown will be taking on the teaching commitment in Swallows class from September.

You may have noticed that we have a new member of staff at Shepeau Stow. Lauren Mason joined us recently as a teaching assistant in Class 2. Lauren will also be spending some time working in Class 1 in September.

Parking

We have had a request that parents use our car park rather than parking at the side of the school along Gipsy Lane as it causes some congestion in the mornings and larger vehicles have difficulty negotiating through.



School dinners

Historically we have been quite lenient with the day we ask for the hot school meal forms to be handed into school.



With the changes in September we will have an increased number of children having hot meals. Please ensure your forms come back on the specified day or we can't guarantee that they will get a meal. Thank you for supporting us with this.

Phonics screening check.

Pupils in year 1 will have the phonics screening check during the week beginning 16th June. The results of the check will be given to parents with the end of year reports. Further information can be found at

<http://www.theschoolrun.com/year-1-phonics-screening-check>



Facebook and twitter

Please can everyone have a look at our pages on social media and, on Facebook, 'like' the page as well as inviting other people to do the same as it raises awareness of the school.



Please also follow us on Twitter. We are aware there is a problem with the Twitter feed on the website and this is being looked into.



It just remains for me to say have a really good break and we look forward to seeing everyone after half-term.

Alison Buddle

Executive Headteacher

Diary dates

Term 6 start	Monday 2 nd June
Class 2 trip	Tuesday 17 th June
Class 1 trip	Friday 27 th June
School fete	Friday 11 th July
Class 3 trip	Tuesday 15 th July
Sports Day	Tuesday 22 nd July
Term 6 end	Wednesday 23 rd July

Children return to school on Thursday 4th September 2014