



Gedney Church End News

26th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

This week we started a new challenge in school for all the children in Y2 to Y6. It is called 100 Club and is designed to help improve children's speed and accuracy in their times tables. Every child starts at the 2 x tables and progresses through to 12 x tables. They get a certificate every time they complete a level, and they aim to beat their own speed or accuracy each week. They were all very excited to 'give it a go'. Children need to practice their times tables at home so we appreciate all the support you can give them with this challenge. When they are practicing, please get them to say the whole times table ($2 \times 2 = 4$) and not just the answers (2,4,6,8 etc).

Reading Buddies

We are working hard to improve reading across the school. For us, this includes getting the children to enjoy reading as well as improving their skills and comprehension.

Today, we started a reading buddy scheme which will take place on a Friday afternoon at the end of the day. Older children will read to or with younger children. We really hope this brings a bit of excitement back into reading.

Applications are also open for volunteer readers. Please speak to Mrs Rose if you would like to apply or just complete the form here - mynewterm.com

Star of the week

Falcon – Connie for excellent improvement in her reading.

Skylon – Alfie for asking super questions in English.

Discovery – Jack for amazing division work.

Attendance – Year 2 and Year 4 both had 100% this week! Well done 😊

Earth House – 141 points!

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Facebook at - GCE Primary Academy.

On the web at - [Gedney Church End Primary Academy - Welcome](https://www.gedneychurchendprimary.ac.uk)

Dates for your Diary

From Friday 12th January until Friday 9th February - Ms Hicks invites parents of children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 to join her on Friday afternoons from 2.45 onwards. This will take place every Friday from 12th January until half term and is a chance for you to share some of the children's learning and ask any questions about how you might help at home.

Tuesday 6th February – Diversity workshop for children in Y3 to Y6.

Friday 9th February – last day of this term Children will finish at the normal time of 3.15.

Thursday 22nd February – Messy Play from 3.15 – 4.00.

Thursday 14th March – 8.45am **Coffee morning for parents of children with SEND.**

Thursday 21st March – Messy Play from 3.15 – 4.00.

6th March 2024 – Parent Consultations. More information to follow.

Monday 25th March – Easter Service at the church. More information to follow.

Thursday 28th March – Last day of Spring Term

Is my child too ill for school?

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK. These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

More details can be found at –

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)