

## Paperless Schools.

I'm delighted to let you know that we now have our own Federation App up and running. You will begin to see less paperwork coming home with your child as we now plan to inform you more of news and events via 'Text' notifications. Please ensure that you download the **'OurSchoolsApp'** from your relevant app store, just type in the school's name...and then you're off and running!



## Marking and Feedback.

One of the main drivers of children's progress is how work is marked and feedback. There has been a huge amount of study made in this area of learning and when it's done right; children can make rapid gains in their academic achievements. This year we have changed the way we mark to make it more efficient for the teachers, easy to understand for the children whilst focusing on what they have done well and what they need to do to improve their work. Parents will have an opportunity to look in their child's books during the course of the year, but in the meantime please find attached our new marking 'symbols' for your own reference.

## Home Help.

We understand that there are times when parents and carers may find supporting their child at home with their work rather tricky.

Please see below a list of recommended websites that can be used at home:

[www.ictgames.com](http://www.ictgames.com)

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

[www.bbc.com/bitesize](http://www.bbc.com/bitesize)

[www.crickweb.co.uk](http://www.crickweb.co.uk)

[www.nrich.maths.org/primary](http://www.nrich.maths.org/primary)

[www.phonicsbloom.com/uk](http://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk)

(this one does come with adverts)

## Teddy Bears' Picnic.

Last week saw our children from Reception join in with a very special 'Teddy Bears' Picnic event held at one of our local schools. The children were treated to a range of activities including a magical teddy show. Our children were a credit to both schools and we could see from their beaming faces that they had a great time.



# October Newsletter

## Federation Fund Raising.

### A Big 'THANK YOU!'

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning.

We were blown away with the attendance and contributions towards our Macmillan coffee mornings. We raised a fabulous £209.29 at Gedney Church End and an amazing £235.57 at Lutton St Nicholas. The cakes were truly scrumptious and a big thank you goes out to all the children, staff, parents and particularly the 'Friends' of both schools for their help and support. It was a real delight to watch mums, dads, grandparents and younger brothers and sisters enjoying the event and coming together as a community.

Our bellies were truly full and let's just say the children kept their teachers very busy after all that sugar!

Thank you,

Mr. S Pearson



*Helping each other to  
achieve and soar.*

### A Polite Notice.

Can we please ask parents not to park and drop their children off inside the staff car park at Lutton St Nicholas. This has caused a few 'headaches' of late with regards to staff not being able to get in and out of the premises.



### Let's Celebrate!

We have seen some amazing work from the children and some real examples of exceptional behaviour...though it seems a little bit of a shame not to have the mums, dads or grandparents there to cheer their child on.

After half term we will be inviting parents and family members to join us to celebrate their child's achievements in our end of week 'Stars' Assembly'.



### Class Attendance (since September)

#### Gedney Church End:

Woodpeckers 94%  
Eagles 95%  
Jaguars 93%  
Whole School 94% (Target 97%)

#### Lutton St Nicholas:

Wolves 93%  
Penguins 93%  
Hummingbirds 95%  
Bees 97%  
Whole School 95% (Target 97%)

#### Dates for your dairy:

Oct 18th – Parent coffee morning (9am)

#### **Lutton**

Oct 19th – Parent coffee morning (9am)

#### **Gedney**

Oct 22<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> – Half Term

Oct 29<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day (schools closed)

Nov 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> November – Parents'

Consultations (letters will be sent out)

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Christmas Holidays (finish Thurs)

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**Marking symbols:**

- ws** with support
- I** independent
- V** verbal feedback
- sp** spelling error
- p** punctuation error
- g** grammatical error
- \_\_\_\_\_** this doesn't make sense
- //** new paragraph
- ✓✓** I really like this
- c** correction (as opposed to a cross)