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21st April 2023

Dear Families,

Beetle Drive tonight in the Village Hall, 6pm to 7.30pm £2 per person. EVERYONE WELCOME

Next Thursday you are invited to come, with your child, and see their work. Their books will be out, in their classroom, for drop in visits between pick up and 5pm. The class teachers will also be available at this time

How school will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles the Third:

Reception children going to Holmes Chapel, on the train on May 2nd, to deliver our crown for the T Rex at Miola—please have a good look when passing.

Coronation lunch on May 4th—pupils are asked to come to school dressed as kings or queens or in red / white blue on May 4th

Learning the official Coronation Song and about different aspects of the Coronation and life as a monarch

Mementos for every child: bookmarks detailing the Coronation from the PTA and mugs from the Parish Council

KEY DATES FOR THE REST FO THIS TERM ARE ON PAGE 6

Term dates for 22 23 and 23 24 are on our website The school's official communication with families comes through the newsletter, website, class pages, messages through the app, email and occasionally paper letters. The PTA have Facebook for information.

Useful information

Before and after school clubs : booking forms available on school website http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/48433 School uniform official supplier - other options are available, please see the school website for more information. www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey

On-line payment website address <u>www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop</u> SENCo mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk In January **Esmée and Quinn** found an injured hedgehog wondering around in the day by our house. It was clear that he was very underweight and when we looked closer his back leg was very badly injured. Esmée and Quinn asked us to take him to lower moss wood to see if they could help him. So we put him on a box in our car with a small amount of dog food which he munched all the way there. We very kindly got a call from lower moss wood over the school holidays to tell us that the hedgehog had survived and was now ready to release back into the wild. He has now doubled

his weight and despite having to amputate his back leg he still gets around with speed and we got to meet him properly before his release. We decided to name him Mr Pickles!

Harriette, Harvey, Henry, Hugo, Sam and Thomas from Year 6 have completed the 55th Scouts Cheshire Hike. This saw them independently planning, navigating and walking 30km over two days from Congleton to Macclesfield. They all did brilliantly!!!





Reggie from Year 4 and his puppy Lola passed their Puppy Obedience Training Class. They are now working together towards the next level.



Please keep sending your child's achievements for the newsletter so we can celebrate them together. I love knowing about what the pupils are doing both in and out of school.



Jack's fundraiser for Adoption Matters justgiving.com

Jack is only £7 off his target. His aim is to provide an adopted child with a therapeutic playworker.



The platinum plaque that year 5 children worked on last year with Mrs Cowell to celebrate Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee has now been installed at Goostrey Station on platform 2 (Crewe side)

Please do go along with your family to take a look at your brilliant work well done children!!!

Artists Debbie Goldsmith and Fiona Smith led on the project and artist Tracey Cartledge worked on the mosaic. (Debbie and Tracey in the photo)





CEIAS coffee morning

Cheshire East Information Advice and Support Service are holding an online parent and carers coffee session with Janet Threader from CEAT on Tuesday 25th April between 10am and 11am

This is an online event via Microsoft Teams

To book a place on this workshop please contact us via email: <u>ceias@cheshireeast.gov.uk</u> Alternatively, you can call us on 0300 123 5166 (Please leave a quick message as the team are continuing to work remotely at this present time) We will send you a link to join online the day before the event

> Many thanks The CEIAS Team

Can You Lend Us a Hand? Monday 8th May 11-1pm



thebighelpout.org.uk

#The8igHelpOut

Help make a Coronation Clay tile with artist Debbie Goldsmith for the station gardens and help the Friends of Goostrey Station volunteers with our garden tidy up.

For more information contact goostreyartstudio@yahoo.com

This is a free event for all ages please drop by we'd love to see you!



Messy Church is on April 26th 3.30 at Goostrey Methodist church, all welcome, for more information please contact Pauline on 522159.

Key dates until July:

Key dates for next term:

WB 15th and 22nd May	Swimming Pool on site
Friday 19th May	Y1 cake sale
Wednesday 7th June	Class photos
Friday June 9th	Film Night
WB June 12th	Father's Day Shop
Tuesday 13th June	South African children arrive
Friday 16th June	Sports Day pm
Thursday 22nd June	New Starters' Meeting V Hall 7pm
Friday 30th June	Year 6 residential (3 nights)
Friday 7th July	July Evening
Friday 14th July	Reception cake sale
Thursday 20th July break and pupils return Wednesday 6th Septer	School finishes for the summer nber

Year 2 & Year 6 assessments will be ongoing throughout both the spring and summer term until the end of June 2023. It is vital that your child attends school for the whole of this period.

TAKING CHILDREN ON HOLIDAY DURING TERM TIME

A guide for parents and carers

Frequently asked questions

Am I entitled to take my child out of school for a family holiday?

□ **NO.** Parents have a legal duty to ensure that their children attend school or the alternative provision on a regular basis

□ The Education Act 1996 makes it a criminal offence for a parent to *"fail to secure their child's regular attendance at the school"*

□ The amendments to the 2006 Regulations remove any reference to *family holidays, ex*tended leave and the statutory threshold of ten school days.

□ The amendments make clear that **Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence** (holiday) during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances

□ The amendments give **parents no entitlement** to take their child out of school for a holiday in term time

□ The Head Teacher and Governing Body will determine what the exceptional circumstances are

If we decide to take a holiday during term time what should we do?

□ The parent/carer with whom the child resides must apply in writing to the school

□ The letter/application must explain the exceptional circumstance surrounding the request for the leave of absence

What will the school do then?

□ The Head Teacher will determine whether the exceptional circumstance ruling applies, if not the application will be declined

 Only the Headteacher (or the Deputy) has the power to approve leave of absence applications. When making the decision the protocols and criteria laid down in the school's attendance policy must be followed.

 Each academic year, schools inform parents/carers via a letter, newsletter or some other communication; that they may receive a Fixed Penalty Notice if their child has unauthorised absences in term time

 $\hfill\square$ You will receive a written response from the Headteacher (or the Deputy) letting you know if your application has been approved

 $\hfill\square$ If the holiday goes ahead after the application has been declined the absence will be recorded as unauthorised

What will happen if the absence is unauthorised?

□ The school will decide if a Penalty Notice should be issued. If the school decide that a Penalty Notice is to be issued

□ You will receive a letter from the school advising that it has referred the matter to the Local Authority and that a Penalty Notice may be issued;

□ The school will inform the Local Authority that a Penalty Notice needs to be issued

□ A Penalty Notice will be sent to you, accompanied by an explanatory letter; the Notice gives you the opportunity to pay a penalty fine instead of being prosecuted in the criminal courts

Penalties for unauthorised absence			
Timeline	One child	Two children	
Paid within 21 days	£60 per parent	£60 per child = £120 per parent	
After 21 days and before 28 days	£120 per parent	£120 per child = £240 per parent	
After 28 days	You will receive a sum- mons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your child's regular attendance	You will receive a sum- mons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your chil- dren's regular attendance	

Payments will **not** be accepted after the 28th day and payments **cannot** be paid in part or by instalments

Each school has a designated Education Welfare Officer educationwelfareservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk or you can also telephone the main office.

Tel: 01270 375277 Website: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/ews

Other leaflets are available to support you:

□ Taking action to improve attendance – explaining legal action - a guide for parents and carers

□ Helping your child to attend school. The role of the EWO - a guide for parents and carers

The expression "parent", in relation to a child or young person, includes any person who is not a parent of the child but who has parental responsibility for him/her, or who has care of the child.

Do you have a concern about a child?

Anyone can make a call if they have concerns about a child. This call can be made confidentially.

Cheshire East Consultation Service

The Cheshire East Consultation Service (ChECS) is the 'front door' for access to services, support and advice for children and their families.

General public

Phone ChECS on **0300 123 5012 (option 3)** Callers will be directed to a Unit Coordinator who will ask if the concerns are early help or safeguarding. You will then be directed to either Practitioner Support Officer for Early Help requests for support or a Social Worker (ChECS) for safeguarding concerns. The worker will gather your information and advise you of the next steps.

If you need to contact someone out of hours and you believe it to be an emergency that can't wait, please call our Emergency Duty Team on **0300 123 5022**.

If you have something that you would like putting in our newsletter please email it either to *head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk* or *admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk*

It needs to be with us by 12.00 on Thursday and attached to your email on a WORD document so once approved we can easily cut and paste. Thank you

We always welcome pieces about Goostrey pupils and their achievements outside of school. I love to hear what our pupils are celebrating and achieving outside school so we can celebrate in the newsletter and assembly.

The responsibility to get permission for other people's children to be on photographs lies with the sender not with the school.

We will usually allow local events to be advertised in the newsletter, especially if we think they will be of interest to our pupils and their families.

However we do not endorse or take responsibility for anything not directly organised by the school.

Mid-Day Assistants Vacancies

We are seeking enthusiastic and caring people to join our team supervising our pupils over the lunchtime breaks. Please contact our School Business Manager, Mrs J Schurer-Lewis on 01270 918940 or via e-mail; admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk to request an application form and job description.

Goostrey Community Primary School is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of our pupils. Successful applicants will be required to have enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service checks, and attend Basic Safeguarding awareness training



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Useful contacts and numbers.....

If there's any other information that you feel should be added to this page, as a weekly standing item, please let me know.

www.goostreypreschool.org.uk

Telephone: 07471 756720 - available during pre-school hours only.

Goostrey All Stars After School Club	
Please click on the link below for full details of our after school provision and electronic copies of our registration and booking forms.	
We are open Monday to Friday - 3pm to 6pm.	
If you would like to see what the children have been up to this week, please follow us on Facebook or Twitter.	
https://www.goostreyallstars.co.uk/	
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The Chair of Governors and the Head teacher meet at least once a week. If you have anything you would

Before School Club

If you would like to enrol your child for Goostrey Before School Club, please either download a booking form from our website www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk or collect from the reception desk. The cost is £4.00 per session and the club operates on each school day, from 8 .00 AM to 8 55 AM. Please note no food is served at this club.

The web address for ordering school uniform is:

like them to discuss / consider please let us know.

www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey

We will always respond to you.

Class pages, on the school website have lots of up to date information for your child's class. Please keep looking at these as they are updated every week for you. Thank you

Compliments and Comments and Suggestions.

If you wish to give school general feedback about any aspect of school life, please email either Miss Atkins on head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk or class teachers, whose email addresses are on each class page on the website; http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/classes