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Dear Families,

School finishes next Thursday 1st April and we all return on Monday 19th April.

The next newsletter will be published on Friday 23rd April

It's been a challenging and interesting term for all of us—thank you for your continued support and collaborative working between school and home. I say it a lot, I am very privileged to lead such a wonderful school in such a fantastic community.

DfE information for families over the Easter holidays:

Parents/carers of pupils need to inform the school [head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk) of a **case where a pupil has tested positive within 48 hours of last being in school.**

The school should then assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in their education setting.

Where pupils test positive for COVID 19 during the holidays, **more than 48 hours since being in school**, you are not required to inform the school but should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

**Link to Digital Parenting magazine below:**

<https://www.flipsnack.com/FA7569CC5A8/digital-parenting-by-vodafone-2021-edition/full-view.html>

***Miss Atkins—a head teacher who is very proud of Goostrey School and everyone associated with it.***

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

**The school's official communication with families comes through the newsletter, website, class pages, messages through the app, email and occasionally paper letters. We do not have an official Facebook account for information.**

*Please keep checking class pages on the website for specific information / dates for each class. Many events / activities eg class visits, extra curricular and sporting events will have separate information sent out detailing dates and times etc.*

**Holiday dates are on the school website— 20 21 and 21 22**

## Useful information

**Before and after school clubs :** booking forms available on school website

[http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\\_file/48433](http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/48433)

**School uniform:** [www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey](http://www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey)

On-line payment website address [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop)

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# Inspirational People of the Week—discussed in classes this week

Last Friday many of us wore odd socks to support World Down Syndrome Day. Here are just four inspirational people who have Down Syndrome. I'm sure if you research it you can find many more.

## **Madeline Stuart**

Madeline Stuart is an Australian model, who at the age of just 20 has appeared in New York Fashion Week, CNN, Vogue, and has an enormous social media following. Madeline is described as a “worldwide phenomenon” and a “powerful advocate for inclusiveness and diversity in modelling”.



## **Zhou Zhou**

Zhou Zhou is the only conductor in the world who cannot read music. Someone once saw him miming conducting, as he watched a symphony, and jokingly asked if he'd like to conduct them. To their utter amazement, he did so and since has conducted many orchestras around the globe.



## **Tim Harris**

Tim's Place, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, is the only restaurant in the USA owned by a person with Down Syndrome. Tim's Place was known for serving up breakfast, lunch, and hugs, and emphasises its own friendly, family-feel. Recently, Tim has made the decision to shut his restaurant, to move closer to his girlfriend, where he hopes to open a new branch.



## **Ayelen Barreiro**

Ayelen was a dancer on the Argentinian show "Showmatch" (Argentinian Strictly Come Dancing). Although Ayelen didn't win the show, she did a lot to change people's perceptions of those with Down Syndrome and captivated the audience with her talent.



A big thank you to everybody for wearing your odd socks to support this years 'World Down Syndrome Day'.

It was so lovely to see all your interesting and fun odd socks.



Thank you

Mrs Freeman and Mrs Hughes

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





Greetings!

St Luke's will be giving all the older children sunflower seeds at the end of this term.

They represent new life as well as look beautiful. Please plant in pots or in the garden and encourage our bees. Bees are an asset to our ecosystem; they not only help pollinate flowers and crops, but they also provide beeswax and honey and are a fine example of colonies working together.

So, value the seeds for their hidden potential. Value the flowers and the insects who are attracted to them.

Enjoy.

An advance notice as we are not having Good Friday children's workshops this year.

On Easter Saturday you may come and visit the Easter Garden in the church grounds, by the main door. If you wish to bring a small plant or a posy of flowers or even a stone, you are welcome.

There will be hard boiled eggs to roll down the path and a chocolate Easter Egg for each child, during the day. Please help yourself. Also, we have a treasure hunt at the front of church and inside the church. There will be adults in attendance during the day, but if you arrive when it is unattended, please be careful on the path.

Rev Heather

## Contact Tracing

As children return to school it is likely that we will see more instances of positive cases and the need for schools to complete contact tracing. As a reminder the definition of a close contact is:

A contact is defined as a person who has had contact (see below) at any time from **two days** before onset of symptoms (or time of test if asymptomatic) to 10 days after onset of symptoms (or test):

a person who has had face-to-face contact (within one metre) with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), including:

being coughed on, or

having a face-to-face conversation, or

having skin-to-skin physical contact, or

any contact within one metre for one minute or longer without face-to-face contact

a person who has been within 2 metres of someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) for more than 15 minutes

a person who has travelled in a small vehicle *with* someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or in a large vehicle *near* someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)

people who spend significant time in the same household as a person who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)

**You will notice that the infectious period has been updated to 2 full days before the onset of symptoms or test.**



**Before entering any part of the school building please read the questions below:**

**In the last 14 days have you or any member of your household tested positive for Covid-19?**

**In the last 14 days have you or any member of your household displayed symptoms of Covid-19?**

**High temperature**

**New continuous cough**

**Loss of, or change to, your sense of taste/smell**

**Have you been identified by test and trace, or any other official source, as a 'close contact' of someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, within the last 14 days?**

**If you have answered yes to any of the above, please DO NOT enter the school building.**

**Thank You.**

## Update to the following pages from PHE

### Change in Isolation Date for Close Contacts

The [Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#) has changed meaning that self-isolation for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus has shortened from 14 to 10 days.





Key summary points of the new isolation guidance include:

As of **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020**, the isolation period reduced to 10 days.

Isolation periods will take the day contact occurred as Day 0 of the isolation period, so contacts must remain in isolation until Day 11.



# COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p><b>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child should get a test</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child's test comes back negative</b></p>
 <p><b>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms)</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</b></p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p><b>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Household member with symptoms should get a test</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</b></p>
 <p><b>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</b></p>

\* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
<p>...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<p>•Child shouldn't attend school •Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test negative during those 14 days •Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too</p>	<p>...when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
<p>...we / my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</p>	<p>•Do not take unauthorised leave in term time •Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel •Provide information to school as per attendance policy</p> <p><b>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</b></p> <p>•Child shouldn't attend school •Whole household self-isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>	<p>...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
<p>...we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p>•Child shouldn't attend school •Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team •Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</p>	<p>...when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</p>
<p>....I am not sure who should get a test for COVID - 19 (coronavirus)</p>	<p>•Only people with symptoms* need to get a test •People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive</p>	<p>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</p>



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/>



## 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](http://www.goostreypreschool.org.uk)

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



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### 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](http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk) or collect from the reception desk. The cost is £3.00 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 Chair of Governors and the Head teacher meet at least once a week. If you have anything you would like them to discuss / consider please let us know. We will always respond to you.

The web address for ordering school uniform is:  
[www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey](http://www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey)

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](mailto: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>

In current circumstances we are not able to operate our normal open door policy.