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The children finish for the half term break today and we are all back on Monday 7th June. I hope you all have a lovely week as it looks like it's going to be warmer and sunnier.

School is so settled once again—as always it is a pleasure to lead such a wonderful and happy place.

If your child tests positive for COVID, at the beginning of the half term break (within 2 days of being in school) please email the deputy, mrs.cowell@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk so she can assist Track and Trace with contact information. If symptoms are outside the 48 hours then school does not need to take any action.

Please see page 9 for details of how to get lateral flow testing kits for all families. Thank you

Children the house point totals and free dress day information is on page 2 —could be your team!

The pool has been a big success and is booked again for next May.

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

School uniform: www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey

On-line payment website address www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop

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RAFFLE RESULTS

The Year 6 house captains would like to say a big 'THANK YOU' to everyone who supported their raffle, including Miss Atkins who donated the prizes. They raised over £200 and this money will be shared between our school and Elizabethfontein.

The house that bought the most amount of tickets was Mallory (green house) so they will be allowed to have a non-uniform day next half term (tba).

I'd like to say a big 'THANK YOU' to the house captains who worked so hard on this. They gave up lots of lunchtimes and time at home to make sure this was such a success.

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Mrs Cooper

Teddy has gone to a really good new home!

1. Garner 1126
2. Lovell 1066
3. Mallory 1029
4. Harding 928

Garner your free dress day will be on Thursday 10th June—well done



The Shoebill—extraordinary being of the week



Shoebills are very tall, with some reaching heights of over 4 feet. Unlike many other birds who inhabit similar marsh environments, shoebills are highly effective predators. Their long legs are perfect for traversing shallow waters, where they prey on reptiles, rodents and fish.

They are even known to strike against juvenile crocodiles!

Shoebills use their powerful beaks to grasp just about anything they encounter, but don't worry – they don't prey on humans.

Their habitat is mainly in East Africa.

Marine or Mountain Litter Ridders

Can you be a marine or mountain litter ridder during half term?
If you are going to the beach, or to the mountains and you see some litter could you (with an adult's permission and help) -

Put on protective gloves

Pick up some litter

Take a photograph of your activity

Take away the litter and dispose of or recycle it

Email your photograph or bring a copy to school after half term

In this way you will win 50 house points and know that you have helped protect our environment

Please email photos to

mrs.saxton@gostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

Thank you from the Year 6 Eco committee

How to become a Betjie Angel

We have set up a Just Giving page to enable donations to be made quickly and easily.

The Just Giving link is:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/elizabethfontein>

We will be sending the total sum of the donations to Elizabethfontein at the end of June.

You can donate as much you would like.

Please email Elizabethfontein School (Elizabethfonteinps@gmail.com) and let them know that you have donated on Just Giving to become an Angel.

They will send you a short profile of the child you have helped.

Thank you so much for your support.

On behalf of St Luke's church we wish you a relaxing half term holiday.

Mothers Space is considering re-starting and with that in mind there will be a get together in the marquee in the vicarage garden 6 Brooklands Drive from 9.15 am onwards on Friday. Drop by for a coffee even if you know nothing about Mothers Space.

All the best for you and yours, Heather

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.

THE PROBLEM WITH POPPY

Meet the Author & Craft Session



A FREE, fun-for-all-the-family event organised by Franklyn Financial Management, Full Media Ltd and Visyon

Come and meet children's author Emma Sandford and her publisher Nick Jones. They will read Emma's new children's book, 'The Problem with Poppy', and talk about the inspiration behind the porcupine and tiger who are the main characters from the story.

Followed by a fun craft-along session led by the wellbeing team from children's mental health charity Visyon.

Tuesday 1st June | 10am - 11am via Zoom

Register Here: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PB3j7nNAQLu45anjyCUf-Q



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THIS SUMMER...

Coming to a town near you

SALT WARS

THE SERIES BEGINS...

FOOTBALL

ROUNDERS

RUGBY

Where/When

Thursday 5th August 10:00 – 16:00 – Sandbach Boys School

Thursday 12th August 10:00 – 16:00 – Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School

Saturday 21st August 10:00 – 16:00 – Middlewich High School

Saturday 28th August - TBC

To Apply –

Please email saltwars@cheshire.pnn.police.uk for more information and an application pack
Participants must be aged between 11-16.





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.

Please also remind families that they can collect free home testing kits to test family members twice weekly.

Tests can be accessed in the following ways:

Collect a test kit from a local testing site without an appointment. You do not need to take proof of ID or address.

- Crewe local testing site - Chester Street Car Park, Crewe, CW1 2ER **between 2.30pm – 8pm**
- Macclesfield local testing site - Commercial Road, Macclesfield, SK10 2QJ **between 2.30pm – 8pm**

A [click and collect service](#) for test kits is also available at 5 other test sites

Or [get a test posted to you](#).

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)

Parents with children at nurseries, schools and colleges

A guide to regular rapid Covid-19 testing



Regular rapid testing is now available for parents, their households and bubbles.

Regular rapid testing is a fast and easy way to find out if you have coronavirus and help protect your loved ones and community. It's free and takes around 30 minutes.

Why introduce regular rapid testing?

Up to 1 in 3 people who have Covid-19 have no symptoms and could be spreading it without knowing.

Regular rapid testing is now available for parents of nursery, school children and college students. As well as adults in their households, childcare and support bubbles.

Regular testing for people without symptoms is already taking place across the country. Thousands of people who didn't know they had the virus have been able to take action to stop the spread of the disease.

As lockdown restrictions ease, getting into the **regular habit of twice weekly testing** will play an important role in getting back to normal; **alongside the vaccine, following the hands, face, space guidance, and social distancing measures.**

Regular testing for school staff and students

Regular rapid testing is already **available to all staff** at nursery, primary and secondary schools and colleges.

Secondary school and college students aged 11 and above will continue to access regular rapid tests directly through their school or college. And we continue to encourage them to get tested.

On return they will initially be supervised while testing at school and then continue to test themselves at home with test kits they will get from school or college.

Nursery and primary school children are not being asked to be tested as evidence continues to show that children and young people are at low risk from Covid-19 and are very unlikely to get seriously ill.

What is the benefit to you?

By taking part in regular rapid testing, you'll be protecting yourself and your loved ones. And helping us all get back to a more normal way of life.





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

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 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

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>

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