

# **GOOSTREY SCHOOL EXHIBITION 2023**

**SCHOOL HALL IN THE JUNIOR BUILDING**

**CELEBRATING LIFE.**

**THE PUPILS' WORK WILL BE ON SHOW FROM 1PM TO 6PM ON WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER AND FROM 1 PM UNTIL 6PM ON THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**INFANTS WILL BE PERFORMING, BOTH DAYS, AT 2.30 PM ON THE JUNIOR PLAYGROUND**

**YEARS 3 AND 4 ON WEDNESDAY AT 5PM**

**YEARS 5 AND 6 ON THURSDAY AT 5PM**

***ALL CHILDREN COMING BACK TO PERFORM MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.***

**THE CAFÉ WILL BE OPEN AND ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS SPONSORSHIPS FOR ELIZABETH FONTEIN PUPILS—A CAUSE THAT MRS FREEMAN WAS VERY KEEN TO SUPPORT**





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**6th October 2023**

**Dear Families,**

REMINDER: Please consider going for the two new **parent governor** positions. Closing date for nominations is Thursday 12th October at noon.

A big thank you to Mrs Goldsmith for all her great art work with the infant pupils for our exhibition .

**INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS ON WEDNESDAY 11TH OCTOBER**

**YEAR 6 CAKE SALE ON FRIDAY 13TH**

*Term dates for 23-24 and 24-25 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 for ms available on school website

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

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

SENCo [mr.campion@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:mr.campion@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk)

## Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby

On Monday night, we took a team of tag rugby players to a tournament at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive, along with schools from the local area.

We played brilliantly and got into the flow of some really slick play as the tournament progressed, eventually coming second. Sportsmanship and behaviour were really impressive.

Well done to Henry, Charlie, Aiden, Noah, Bethany, Emily A, Ben.

Mr Champion & Mrs Cuttle

## Cross Country Event

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 16 keen and excited runners participated in the cross-country event after school at HCCS. Some of the children had never taken part before and once the event was over I know they were proud and pleased they had joined in.

Year 3 and 4 girls set off first for their lap around two fields and the pace was quick! These girls ran hard and the results show their great effort. Tilly came 2<sup>nd</sup>, Florence 4<sup>th</sup>, Amber came 5<sup>th</sup> and Iona came 11<sup>th</sup>. What a super run from them all as the pack was tight so a bit of sprinting was required at the end.

Then the Year 3 and 4 boys set off. Harry, Oliver, Ralph, Gus, Seth, Charlie and Lucas were on fire. This was a very large group and the boys jostled together for half the lap and then some took off. Lots of screaming from the spectators to encourage them along. Well done to Harry in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Oliver in 5<sup>th</sup>.

Bethany and Kasey ran in the Year 5/6 race and both girls did a super job. This was Kasey's first race ever and she came in at a well-earned 9<sup>th</sup> place. Bethany showed absolute determination and resilience. She was at the back of the pack and fell towards the beginning of the race, however this did not dampen her efforts. She slowly and steadily overtook most of the pack and came an impressive 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Ben and Zander represented the Year 5 and 6 boys. Wow, another exciting race with the runners speeding off, but our boys paced themselves well. Ben lengthened his strides on the second lap and started to pass many runners, he took 2<sup>nd</sup> place easily.

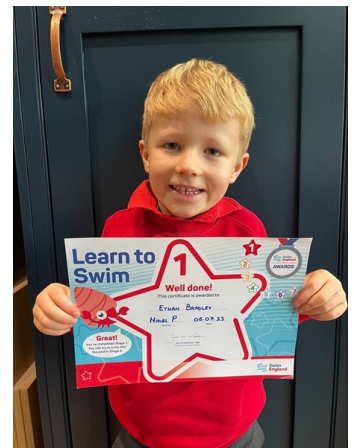
Zander was also as cool as a cucumber running with a relaxed and steady pace and took 9<sup>th</sup> place like a champ.

I could not have been more proud or more pleased with this great little group of runners. Thank you for all the parent support.

See you next year!

Mrs Flint

**Ethan Bradley** (Year 1) has completed his Stage One swimming certificate.



Please keep sending your child's achievements for the newsletter so we can celebrate them together.

We love knowing about what the pupils are doing both in and out of school.

# Fundraiser for Goostrey Community Primary School PTA

Oliver of Year 3 and his family would like to help raise funds for the school PTA. On Friday they will be sending each pupil a copy of this leaflet, together with a voucher. If you present the voucher when making a pumpkin purchase, they'll **donate 20% of all the proceeds to the PTA**. The story of their expanding hobby can be seen on their Facebook page @OliversPumpkins.



The leaflet features a warm orange and yellow background with decorative autumn leaves. At the top left, three pumpkins are stacked vertically. The title 'OLIVER'S PUMPKINS' is centered in a white box with a dark border. Below the title, text describes the family's hobby and their goal to provide locally produced pumpkins. A photo of a young boy holding a pumpkin is on the right. At the bottom left, social media contact information is provided.

## OLIVER'S PUMPKINS

OLIVER AND HIS FAMILY STARTED GROWING PUMPKINS AS A HOBBY IN 2019. WE HAVE GRADUALLY EXPANDED AND NOW WE ARE PRODUCING OVER 2,000 PUMPKINS AND GOURDS EACH SEASON!

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS, OUR AIM IS TO PROVIDE A WIDE VARIETY OF AFFORDABLE PUMPKINS WHICH ARE LOCALLY PRODUCED AND WITH MINIMAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.

Our stall is open every weekend in October (10am-4pm)  
Visit us at CW10 9ND near the Three Greyhounds pub, Allostock

 Find us on Facebook @oliverspumpkins  
 Find us on Instagram @olivers\_pumpkins\_cheshire

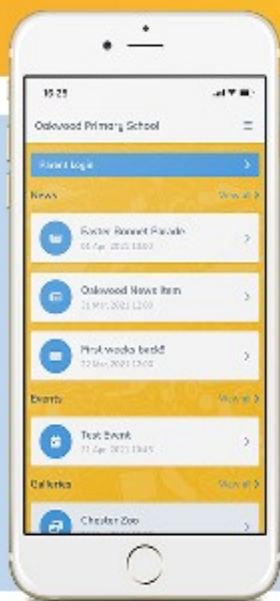


# GUIDE TO OUR APP FOR PARENTS & CARERS



School Spider allows you to receive and return information directly to and from the school. Receive instant messages, complete surveys, book your parents' evenings and make payments.

Select your school to get started!



## LOGGING IN

Once you have selected the school, you will see posts from the school website. Click parent dashboard to login or create an account. Create an account by pressing "create account" and enter your email address. You must have your email linked with the school

## TAKE A LOOK AROUND

See all action items on your dashboard

Click to respond or book for each child



Click the envelope to see your recent messages

Click these 3 lines to:  
- Switch between areas  
- Edit your profile  
- Logout

**DOWNLOAD NOW**



## **The Knitted Bible Experience in St. Luke's Church Holmes Chapel**

A child-friendly exhibition which tours the nation is in Holmes Chapel this October. The exhibition is made up of 35 knitted bible scenes from the old and new testament.

It will be open to the public on the following days:

Saturday 7th Oct: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday 8th Oct: 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Wednesday 11th Oct: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Thursday 12th Oct: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**Key dates rest of the autumn term:**

**Parent Governor nominations closing date Thursday 19th October (12 noon)**

**Individual Photos Wednesday 11th October**

**Exhibition Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th October until 6pm both days**

**School finishes on Thursday 19th October and the pupils return on Monday 30th.**

**PTA meeting 7pm Tuesday 7th November**

**Film Night Friday 10th November**

**Nativity and junior Carol Service dates to be announced soon**

**School closes for Christmas on Friday 22nd December and we are all back on Monday 8th January**

**Cake Sales for the year:**

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| <b>Year 6</b>    | <b>13th October</b>  |
| <b>Year 5</b>    | <b>17th November</b> |
| <b>Year 4</b>    | <b>12th January</b>  |
| <b>Year 3</b>    | <b>9th February</b>  |
| <b>Year 2</b>    | <b>22nd March</b>    |
| <b>Year 1</b>    | <b>17th May</b>      |
| <b>Reception</b> | <b>21st July</b>     |

Year 2 & Year 6 assessments will be ongoing throughout both the spring and summer term until the **end of June 2024**. It is **vital that your child attends school for the whole of this period**.

## **YEAR 6 SATS ARE WB 13TH MAY 2024**

### **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, extended 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
- You will receive a written response from the Headteacher (or the Deputy) letting you know if your application has been approved
- 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

| <b>Penalties for unauthorised absence</b> |   |  |
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| <b>Timeline</b>                           | <b>One child</b>  | <b>Two children</b>  |
| 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 summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your child's regular attendance | You will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your children's regular attendance |

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

**Each school has a designated Education Welfare Officer [educationwelfareservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:educationwelfareservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk) or you can also telephone the main office.**

**Tel: 01270 375277**

**Website: [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/ews](http://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](mailto: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**



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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## 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 £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 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>