

## Newsletter 10th May 2019

### Last week:

Best attendance: Y1 100%  
Unauthorised absences: 0.1%  
Lates: 122 minutes (7 pupils)

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### Dear Parents,

Thank you, Year 4, for a great assembly last Friday—it was lovely to see so many of your families there to watch and listen to you. I also enjoyed seeing so many Roman citizens walking and marching in to Year 3 today for their special Roman Day.

This week governors met with some older children to look at their work and talk through their learning. Governors commented on how impressive the children were and found the conversation to be enlightening and most enjoyable. Thank you to Emily, Rory, Frank, Frankie, Eva and Charlotte.

Sunshine Singing was a big success this week—Year 3 you were excellent and so many people came to listen to you. Number 2 session next week and then I believe you are going to perform for your families next half term.

Next week the Year 6 sit their end of KS2 national tests (SATS) - good luck Year 6, get lots of rest this weekend and come in on Monday ready to show the examiners just how good you are. Year 2 are continuing with their assessments and the Reception children will be visiting Goostrey Post Office.

A note from the Year 5 cake sale girls:

**Dear Miss Atkins,**

**In regard to the charity sale today we raised a whopping £62 for BHF!!!!**

**Lucy, Charlotte and Lillie Grace Y5**

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

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### Useful information

**Before school club:** booking form available on school website [http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\\_file/48433](http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/48433)

**Superkids after school club:** enrolment - 0161 474 7743 / contact during club - 07746 559400

**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)

**SENCo:** [mr.campion@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:mr.campion@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk) . If you need any help, support or advice regarding children's special educational needs, please feel free to drop-in and see Mr Campion. He is available every Wednesday afternoon in the Year 5 classroom (3.30-4.15pm).

**Max** was awarded his Stage 6 ASA swimming badge after much hard work and determination. We are very proud of him.

*I am sorry Max to leave your achievement off the newsletter last week—this was my mistake. Miss Atkins*



**Chloe Walker** (Yr 2) has been awarded a Blue Peter badge for her artwork called 'Seasons'. Well done Chloe, we are all very proud of you



Please let me have the details of anything your child has done that we can all celebrate. Send me the details on an email and I will cut and paste them into the newsletter as well as celebrating it in assembly. Items for the newsletter need to be with me by Thursday lunchtime.

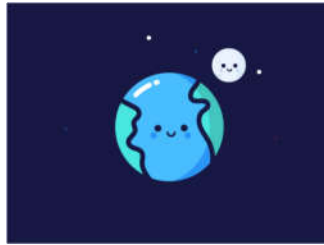
I always like to know what our pupils are celebrating and achieving outside school.

Thank you , Miss Atkins

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# **Eco code animation competition**



**Can you use an animation programme (for example Stopmotion) to bring our Eco code rap (printed below) to life!**

This is our school Eco Rap, this is how it goes,  
This is what we do at Goostrey Primary School:

We Recycle,  
Reuse,  
Reduce,  
React and  
Respect.

Let's hear it for the R words,  
one more time now:

We Recycle,  
Reuse,  
Reduce,  
React and  
Respect

To make the world a better place.

**Please bring your short animation (approximately 1 minute) to school on a stick on or before Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

**There will be 50 housepoints for the winner!!**

**Second Sunday at St Luke's  
All families welcome  
Special All Age Service  
9.45 am.**

## **Charity Football Match in aid of The Remembering Nell Fund**

**Sunday 12th May at the Booth Bed Lane Playing Fields.  
Midday kick-off.**



**The Goostrey Friendly Football Club will host this event which pits the east of the village against the west. The winner receives the Simon Weston Trophy.**

**Everybody is welcome to watch this event for which the teams have already been selected. Admission is free but donations will go towards the Remembering Nell Fund.**

***There will also be two PENALTY SHOOT-OUT COMPETITIONS at half-time. One for children aged 11 and under, and one for Mums! £1 entry fee on the day.***

***After the match there will be a CROSSBAR CHALLENGE COMPETITION for children aged 12 and over. £1 entry fee on the day.***

**Hot and cold drinks and cakes will be available for purchase.**

**Any queries: [davidhext@talktalk.net](mailto:davidhext@talktalk.net)**

Churches Together Christian Aid Committee invite you to **Afternoon Tea** in the Village Hall Lounge on Thursday, 16th May  
2 30 - 4.00 pm.

Sarah's



27 Year Old, Level 3 Childcare Qualified  
Babysitter with Nursery, Baby Sitting & Nannying  
Experience.

I Currently Work As An Adhoc Mid-Day  
Assistant & As A Play Worker For SuperKids At  
Goostrey Community Primary School.

Negotiable / Great Rates!

Please Call / Text 07891727931



Year 6 assessments will be ongoing throughout both the spring and summer term until the end of June 2019. 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, 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>		
<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** 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.*

## DATES FOR THE YEAR 2018 19

Please keep checking this list because dates may be added as the term progresses. The dates on this list are ones that affect (in the main) the whole school or large numbers of families / pupils. Therefore smaller events like after school clubs, sporting fixtures, class visits, which have separate letters / information detailing times and dates etc, are not shown here. Please keep checking class pages on the website for specific information on each class.

If you do not understand any of the information here please email me and I will be able to help you.  
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If you require a paper copy please let us know.

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.

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.



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.

**SUPERKIDS**

If you want to enrol your child into SUPERKIDS, our after school club, then please ring the Superkids office on 0161 474 7743 or you can come to the Junior hall, between 3.30 and 6pm. This number can be used for registration details, bookings adding people to Vizilogger etc.

Superkids also have a mobile phone number you can contact to advise about your child's attendance at the club or if you are running late to collect your child. The mobile phone number is 07746 559400

Costs are very reasonable at £11.50 for one child per session and £11.00 for a brother or sister at the same session.

**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 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. Name:.....**  
Please use this slip if you wish to give school general feedback about any aspect of school life. It is not essential to provide your name but will be necessary if you want a response. Please return to Mrs Williams/Mrs Carroll or the class teacher.  
Alternatively you are always welcome to e mail staff or pop in to see them—school operates an open door policy.