

Newsletter 14th June 2019

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Last week:

Best attendance: Y2 99.2%

Unauthorised absences: 0.9%

Lates: 106 minutes (7 pupils)

Dear Parents,

We had our New Starters meeting last night and six Year 5 children spoke about their life at Goostrey School. They spoke so clearly and well and impressed everyone with their confidence and views, thank you to Fraser, Eva, Jack, Martha, Josh, Georgia—you were outstanding.

Thank you to our wonderful PTA for another great meeting this week and for all the things you do for the children. We need donations of sweets, by June 21st, for the Cup U Like stall, at Rose Day—please see page 4 for more details.

Please think about coming to our maths survival events—more information on page 5

We're recycling crisp bags in school and have two collection points—one on each site. Please read all about this on page 6

Two requests for help please: on page 4 we are asking for materials to help rebuild our bug hotel—please read our request and bring any materials you can spare to the infants and Ms Cummins. On page 3 there is a request for help with our vegetable garden—please read and help if you can. Thank you

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

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

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

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

SENCo: 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).

On Saturday **William** passed his Stage 1 swimming assessment and he has moved up to the Stage 2. He can swim unaided on his own both on his front and back.



Reggie from Reception Class, recently achieved his Stanley 2 Swimming Award.



We are very proud of **Rose** achieving distinction in her primary ballet exam

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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Holiday litter picking

Well done to the following children who all sent photographs showing them caring for our environment by picking up litter and recycling it properly.

Bethany and Emily Hemmings

Charlotte Jones

James Stutfield

Heidi Wilkinson

Lilly and Jasmine Ashmore

William Beardsworth

Ayla Woodhead

You all received 10 house points and we really appreciate the support of your parents by helping you with this activity.

School vegetable garden

If you have planted your vegetables at home and you have a few spare plants we would really like them for our school vegetable garden, for example lettuce, beans, kale, peas.

Also, if you have any flowering plants (either annual or perennial) that are bee friendly please could we have those as well? We would like to plant one of our raised beds with flowers that are bee friendly to help the both the bees and our vegetables.

If you have any spare time and would like to help us plant then please contact either Mrs Saxton or Mrs Flint as your help would be much appreciated.

Please bring plants to Mrs Flint or Mrs Raven in the Reception classroom as soon as possible.

Thank you very much.

We are rebuilding our bug hotels and would appreciate some materials to help with this.

If you could bring in any of the following: corrugated card, plant pots (with holes in the bottom), bricks with holes, pine cones, straw, terracotta pots, moss, old roof tiles, wood chips, hollow bamboo canes and sticks.

Thanks in advance for your help. Ms Cummins Y1 teacher



Rose Day – Saturday 29th June—please can we have all donations of sweets by 21st June. Thank you

The PTA will be running the ever so popular cup-u-like stall and selling refreshments (drinks, crisps) again this year at Rose day.

Could we please put out a request for sweets to help us with this stall. Please note, like last year, we are not sending cups home. Instead can you send in bags of wrapped sweets and small games to fill the cups (no chocolates please).

We will need volunteers to man the stall. Please contact us if you can help. This will be on a rota basis for 30 mins. The times are 1.30 to 2.00, 2.00 to 2.30, 2.30 to 3.00, 3.00 to 3.30, 3.30 to 4.00, 4.00 to 4.30

PARENT MATHS SURVIVAL DROP-IN

Parents are warmly invited to join us at either of our two informal maths drop-in sessions in June and July.



Do come along to find out more about the methods your child is being taught to calculate in their maths lessons.

The Infant session

Wednesday 26th June. Infant Y2 Classroom. 4-4.30pm.
The focus is on addition and subtraction methods.

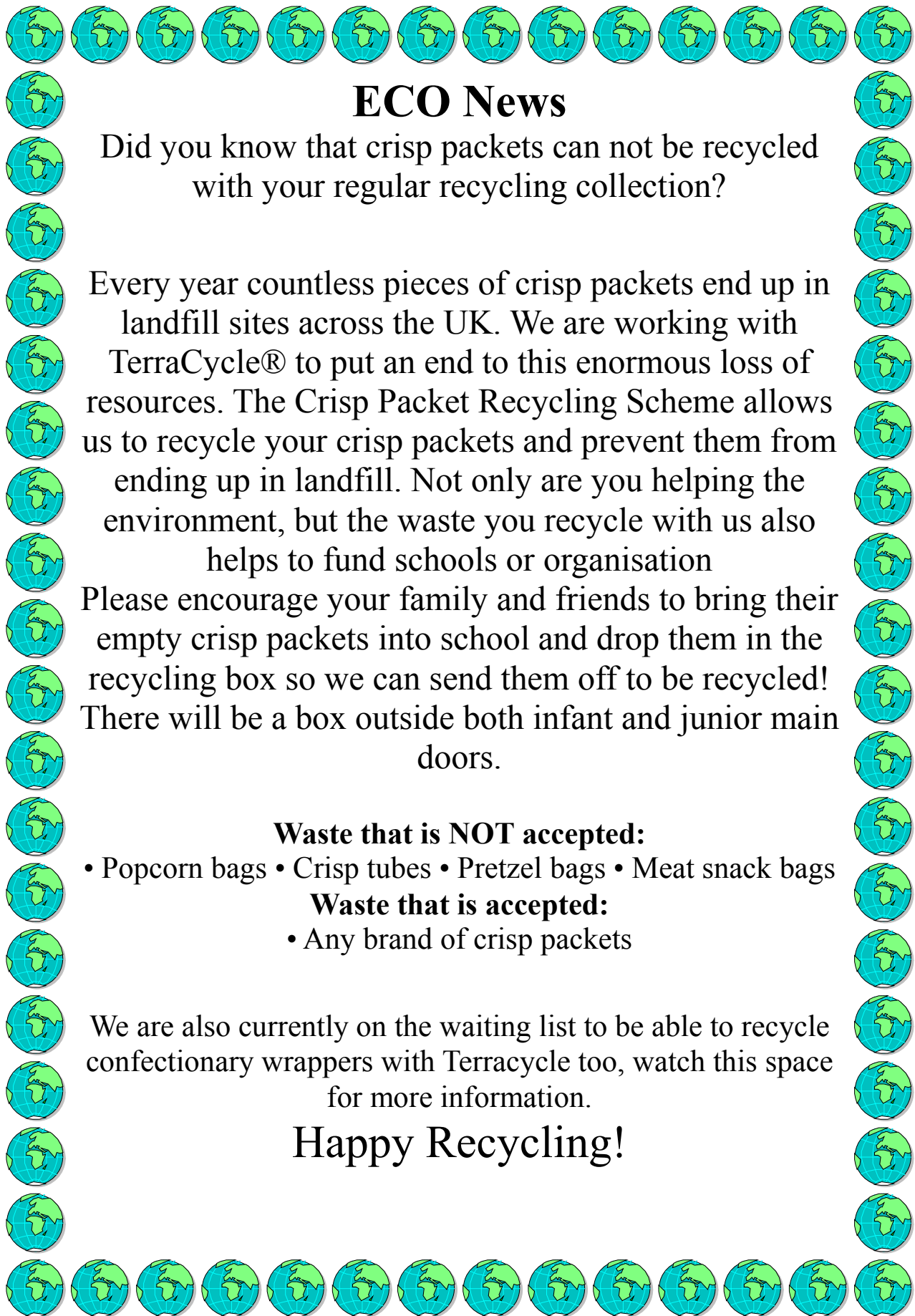
The Junior session

Wednesday 3rd July. Junior Y6 Classroom. 4-5pm.
Here the focus is on calculating fractions, percentages, and decimals.
(This is also appropriate for the parents of the present Year 2 pupils).



The sessions will be run by some of the children themselves, so please do come along to support!

We look forward to seeing you there!
Mrs Riddell.



ECO News

Did you know that crisp packets can not be recycled with your regular recycling collection?

Every year countless pieces of crisp packets end up in landfill sites across the UK. We are working with TerraCycle® to put an end to this enormous loss of resources. The Crisp Packet Recycling Scheme allows us to recycle your crisp packets and prevent them from ending up in landfill. Not only are you helping the environment, but the waste you recycle with us also helps to fund schools or organisation

Please encourage your family and friends to bring their empty crisp packets into school and drop them in the recycling box so we can send them off to be recycled! There will be a box outside both infant and junior main doors.

Waste that is NOT accepted:

- Popcorn bags • Crisp tubes • Pretzel bags • Meat snack bags

Waste that is accepted:

- Any brand of crisp packets

We are also currently on the waiting list to be able to recycle confectionary wrappers with Terracycle too, watch this space for more information.

Happy Recycling!

Mid-Day Assistants Vacancies

We are seeking enthusiastic and caring people to join our Mid-Day team, supervising our pupils over the lunchtime breaks, for a minimum of two days per week.

Please contact our School Business Manager, Mrs J Schurer-Lewis on 01270 685658 or via e-mail; admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk to find out more about this important role in school, and 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 training.

We also offer First Aid training to our Mid-Day team.

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COURSE**



Charity Fundraising For:

**ONE WOMAN
AT A TIME**



**BITESIZE
BATTLEFIELD
CHALLENGE**



**Bigger!,
Tougher!, Muddier!
20+ Obstacles**

**Macclesfield Rugby Club, SK10 4AE
July 6th and 7th 2019**

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Sarah's



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

I Currently Work As An Adhoc Mid-Day Assis-
tant & 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

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 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 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.

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 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.

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

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.

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.

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 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. 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 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.