

Newsletter 21st June 2019

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Last week:

Best attendance: Y5 100%
Unauthorised absences:0.6%
Lates: 153 minutes (6 pupils)

Dear Parents,

June Evening—thank you to everyone who supported this event—we have raised over £650 for the school.

Jasper the owl, from Lower Moss Wood, came to join us on Monday—more news about Jasper (with photo) on page 3.

We are delighted to welcome Garcia back to Goostrey School. Garcia first visited us, from Elizabethfontein School in 2011 and is here for 2 weeks. Garcia will be in school working with the pupils and will be at Rose Day.

School took part in a rounders tournament this week—more information on page 2.

Year 5 went to the Bridgwater Hall and played with the Halle Orchestra yesterday. Thank you to all the families who have let us know how wonderful they thought this event was and what a great experience it was for their children.

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

Dates for your diary

July

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Thursday 11th Reserve Sports Day
Monday 22nd Y6 performance 7pm School Hall
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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).

Not only has **Rose** done so well with her reading and phonics in school but outside of school Rose has achieved her 25 metres at swimming!
We're all so proud of her x



Archie Paddle was invited to attend a swim trial at the beginning of this year and was accepted onto the team to swim for Dane Valley Swimming Club. He is looking forward to starting to swim competitively in November when he gets his official times.
Well done Archie.

On Tuesday, ten children from year 5 and 6 took part in a rounders tournament against other schools in our cluster. The weather was kind and we had a super afternoon. The tournament had had to be rescheduled due to the weather (which has also affected our preparations) so only four teams were able to take part in the event. We played three matches, winning 1 and losing 2 including our first game. Once we had got into the swing of the whole event, we made quick progress. If we had played more matches, we would have been even more successful. We scored some great rounders and there was some super fielding including two fantastic catches by Martha - I think we all agreed that she was our player of the tournament. Everyone did their very best and they supported each other brilliantly with super manners and sportsmanship. Next year, we will be even better! Many thanks to Katie, Harry, Martha, Issy, Eva, Holly, Jack, Noah, Luca D and Ted and their parents who not only brought them to the tournament but also stayed to lend their support.
Thank you, team, you were great and I really enjoyed being there with you all.

Mrs Cooper

PS Many thanks also to Martha and her Mum for rescuing a sparrow that had got caught in the bonnet of a car in the car park. We all breathed a sigh of relief when it flew off.

Mrs Cooper

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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Adoption of Jasper the Snowy Owl

In assembly on Monday, we had a unique, feathery visitor come to our school. Yes, it was Jasper the snowy owl and his handler, Mr. Daniels! He was rescued from a terrible life several years ago, where he had rotting talons and was unable to fly as he had no muscles in his chest but thanks to the care he has received at Lower Moss Wood, he is now a healthy owl. He lives there and even goes home with Mr Daniels! We learnt about where this species previously lived (in the North of Scotland) before their numbers gradually declined due to being hunted. Jasper has been adopted by the Eco Team using the money that they raised by selling the recycled gift cards in December. The donation will go towards feeding Jasper the treats he loves.

Thank you to everyone who bought the Christmas tags and made this possible!

Orla Kingsbury, Year 6

Thank you to Mrs Walker for organising Jasper's visit. The Eco committee children wanted to spend some of the money raised by the sale of Christmas tags on sponsoring an owl. They have also sponsored a polar bear with the WWF but we haven't arranged a visit by that yet!!!

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.

We need YOUR help setting up for this year's Rose Day. Set up times are listed below, so come along and support your local event!

[Sunday 23rd June, 10.30am at the Pavillion](#)

[Wednesday 26th June, 7pm on the school field](#)

[Friday 28th June, 6pm on the school field](#)

[Saturday 29th June, 10am on the school field](#)

[Saturday 29th June 4pm on the school field](#)

[Sunday 30th June, 10:30 pavilion put it all away.](#)

Look forward to seeing you there!

**KIDS TO TEENS
CHARITY OBSTACLE
COURSE**



Charity Fundraising For:

**ONE WOMAN
AT A TIME**



**BITESIZE
BATTLEFIELD
CHALLENGE**



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



**Macclesfield Rugby Club, SK10 4AE
by 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
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

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.
head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

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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.