

Newsletter 5th July 2019

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Last week:

Best attendance: Y3 98.7%
Unauthorised absences: 1.4%
Lates: 93 minutes (9 pupils)

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Dear Parents,

I am delighted to say that Sports Day went ahead yesterday—congratulations to Lovell house. I have had a lot of supportive and positive comments about the new infant running races.

Our 2020 exhibition is on the theme of inventions. Please see page 5 for this year's holiday homework. There is also a competition—STEM Challenge on page 6.

Details of my Photographic Challenge for the exhibition is on page 2.

Congratulations to our Y2/3 maypolers for their excellent performance at Rose Day, our athletes at the cluster athletics event (page 4) and to our mathematicians for the maths survival evenings (page 3)

Governors' Community Award—please see page 7 for details of this award. If you know anyone who is eligible for this please do nominate them, thank you.

Mrs Hext gives so much of her time to school, teaching in the infants and running many excellent music groups throughout the school. I think Mrs Hext is amazing and I appreciate everything she offers these children. Her expertise and passion for music is second to none and she always has the pupils' best interest at heart. Thank you Mrs Hext on behalf of everyone who has benefitted from your work in school. The winner of the 2019 music prize is on page 8.

Our pupils studied bees and how we can protect them as well as plastic in our seas as part of our eco work last week. I have been so impressed by the amount of crisp packets we are recycling—well done for remembering 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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Wednesday 24th Leavers' Assembly 1.30pm Village Hall. Pupils leave for the summer holidays and return

Wednesday 4th September

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 for 18/19 and 19/20 are on the website under INFORMATION FOR PARENTS. PLEASE NOTE THE GOVERNMENT HAVE MOVED THE MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY FROM MONDAY MAY 4TH TO FRIDAY MAY 8TH IN 2020.

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).

HEADTEACHER'S HOLIDAY PHOTOGRAPHIC CHALLENGE

This year children I am setting you the challenge to take a photograph around the theme of our exhibition 2019:

INVENTIONS

The mission is for you to take a photograph of something connected with the word INVENTIONS. You can be in the photograph if you wish. Please, only one photo per child or family and the photos should be no bigger than 10cm x 15 cm. Thank you

Please bring your photograph in first week back and they will displayed at the entrance to our exhibition on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October 2pm to 7.30 pm.

Unfortunately photographs will not be returned but will be on display for the whole year and then move to the infant site on display there.

Thank you for taking the time to do this—the children love looking at these as do the visitors to our school.

Miss Atkins

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.



PARENT MATHS SURVIVAL DROP-IN

An enormous well done and 'hats off' to all pupils who helped during our Maths Survival evening on Wednesday, 26th June and 3rd July.
We couldn't have done it without you, so thank you!

For the parents who were able to join us, thank you for supporting us at the Infant and Junior evenings. We hope you felt you learnt many useful tit-bits and techniques from our pupils which will be of use when helping your own children.

I would like to say my big thank you to all the children who gave up their time and were able to explain so many of their calculations and concepts to parents so eloquently.

Year 2 representatives were: Mia Barwell, Hugo Kelly, Harriette Noonan and Rose Saunders

Year 6 pupils who helped were: William Bolton, Sebastian Fairhurst, Petra Hamilton, Charlotte Hunsley and Sam Sandywell.

Mrs Riddell

On Monday evening, Mrs Cuttle and I accompanied children from years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to a very successful athletics competition against other schools from our cluster. There were lots of events going on at the same time including long jump, javelin, tug-of-war and various running races so there was something for everyone. It was indeed a very busy afternoon!

The children acquitted themselves really well with some excellent results. I haven't yet received the table of results from Mr Capewell who organised and supervised the event, so I can only mention some of the highlights. Harry and Brianna won their respective long jump competitions - very well done, you two - and Jack S in year 5 came a brilliant second in the 600m. He was competing against a child that is actually running for the Cheshire county team and was only beaten by a very small margin - an excellent result.

Harry in year 5 competed in the year 6 600m and also came second - another marvellous result especially as Harry was only asked to take part in this race at the very last moment. Our relay teams performed brilliantly and I believe that both year 5 girls and boys won their event. We also achieved a great result in the relay medley.

Overall the team came third which is a great result!

Many thanks to Mrs Flint, who did a sterling job in organising which children should take part in each event, and also to Mrs Cuttle for supervising the field events.

Thanks also to the parents/carers/adults who brought the children to the event and to those who stayed to lend their support.

Mrs Cooper

Summer holiday home activity
For our annual October exhibition

'Inventions'

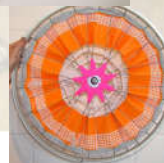
Create a piece of Wheel Art

To celebrate a world changing invention!

Please will you bring your 'wheel/s' to school on the week of 7th October. (Please not before that date as it is difficult to store them safely) The wheels will be hung from the ceilings so please limit the diameter of your wheels to 50cm maximum. Above all, please have fun together!

Here are some ideas you can take inspiration from.

Ideas—Colour wheels, wheel hangings, weavings in a wheel,



STEM Challenge

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

Challenge:

To design an invention that would help someone with a health condition or impairment.

You need to:

- Have a clear design
- Labels to explain materials
- Explanations of why you chose those materials
- The dimensions (the size)
- A name for your invention
- If possible a prototype

There will be two winners, one junior and one Infant. The winners will receive

100 HOUSEPOINTS!

Governors' Community Award

The governors have an annual Governors' Award for the children of Goostrey School.

With this award, governors like to recognise and celebrate the impact a Goostrey School child has had in the community.

If you know of such a child we would love to hear from you. A panel will then read the nominations and decide who the worthy recipient will be.

Anyone can nominate a pupil—a parent, a teacher, another child etc.

Please will you complete the form below and return to Mrs Williams or Mrs Carroll by Friday 12th July

Thank you from Goostrey School Governing Board

Name of child.....

Class.....

Name of nominee.....

Reason for nomination (impact on the community)

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Paper copies of this form are available from the reception desk.

Music prize.



The music prize is awarded to a year 6 child who has made a big contribution to music in our school.

Mrs Hext was asked about this outstanding musician and ambassador for Goostrey School. Mrs Hext told us:

I have taught this child since she was in reception and playing her yellow ocarina! She carried on in year 1 and then in year 2 took up the fife and recorder. After months and months of perseverance and determination she finally made a sound on her fife (months?!) – and the rest is history!

She had a flute for her birthday at the end of year 3 and since then has been an integral part of my Rainbow music clubs”

She plays her flute beautifully, and is always happy to entertain others, whether they be older people at Mount Pleasant or visitors to our annual exhibition.

We have always known that we can rely on her to attend out of school commitments, for example Education Sunday. If she says she'll be there, then she is, whatever else might be going on!

She has sung in the choir since year 4, and has been to Young Voices with us 3 times. She has shown a true sense of commitment to all her musical activities. She is always polite, respectful and sensible.

As Mrs Hext says " *She has made outstanding progress in music over the past 2 years and has become an inspirational figure to our younger children involved in music”.*

The winner of the music prize 2019 is – **Petra Hamilton**

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. The responsibility to get permission for other peoples children to be on photographs lies with the sender not with the school.

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

head@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

Well done Reggie.



Holly Andrews and Eva Pearson both play for the Hurricanes Football Club on the U11 team which is comprised of Y5 and Y6 girls. They recently had their end of season party where they both received one of the few awards given - Holly got Supporter's Player of the Year and Eva got Most Improved Player! They love playing football and are looking forward to next season. If any other girls were inspired by the Lionesses please be in touch as they are looking for new players to join the squad!

Tippi Sunshine from year 1 was awarded her orange belt in karate this weekend. We're very proud of her. Well done Tippi Sunshine !





ENFORCING PARKING RESTRICTIONS

We are asking for your cooperation in making sure that children are safe when they go to school.

Cars that are parked irresponsibly by those dropping off children are causing problems for other road users, residents and pedestrians who need to get to school.

Traffic and parking issues during school times have been raised as a concern by parents, staff, residents and other children who attend the schools concerned.

We are working with schools in your area to stop irresponsible parking as we need to act now and work together to resolve this serious issue.

We are sending a leaflet to all parents/guardians to inform them that enforced parking restrictions will be put in place and that anyone who continues to park irresponsibly will receive a fixed penalty notice.

All road users need to **be aware of and adhere to parking restrictions:**

- No parking on bends
- No parking on zigzag lines
- Do not obstruct a resident's driveway
- Do not park on double lines
- Do not park on 'time restricted' single lines
- Do not cause an obstruction

To report an incident or if you have a suggestion for a neighbourhood priority, you can contact the policing team by telephone on **101** or by speaking directly to your local Police Community Support Officer.



HOLIDAY CLUB 2019



**AT GOOSTREY
METHODIST CHURCH**

Thursday - Saturday

July 25th - 27TH

9 am – 12 noon.

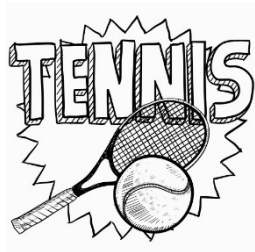
£ 3 per child per day

**Crafts, games, snacks, stories
and fun for primary school age
children.**

**For more details or to book
contact Rev Yvonne Pearson**

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yvonne.pearson@methodist.org.uk



Children's summer holiday tennis camps

Children's summer holiday tennis camps will again be held at Boothbed Lane tennis courts in Goostrey, giving school-age children a chance to improve their tennis ability and enjoy fun games and mini tournaments. There will be four camps from 10am to 3.30pm each day, and parents are welcome to book per day or for a week:

Camp 1: Monday July 22nd – Friday July 26th

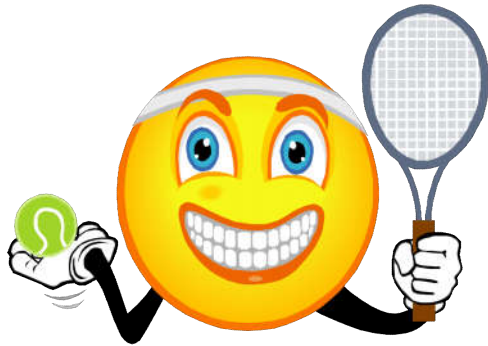
Camp 2: Monday July 29th – Friday August 2nd

Camp 3: Monday August 19th – Friday August 23rd

Camp 4: Tuesday August 27th – Friday August 30th (not including Bank Holiday Monday 26th)

For further information and a booking form please call Alison Richardson on 07885 804246 or email play.tennis@hotmail.co.uk.

Summer holiday fun for children



CHILDREN'S TENNIS CAMPS IN GOOSTREY

FUN-FILLED COACHING AND GAMES FOR ALL ABILITIES.



'Camps' are run by an LTA qualified tennis coach and held at Boothbed Lane Tennis Courts, Goostrey, from 10am to 3.30pm each day

CAMP 1: MONDAY 22nd JULY - FRIDAY 26th JULY

CAMP 2: MONDAY 29th JULY - FRIDAY 2nd AUGUST

CAMP 3: MONDAY 19th AUGUST - FRIDAY 23rd AUGUST

CAMP 4: TUESDAY 27th AUGUST - FRIDAY 30th AUGUST

EMAIL play.tennis@hotmail.co.uk or call 07885 804246 for details



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!

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.
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/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.