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Newsletter 11 03 22

Dear Families,

What a great sight seeing our excited and happy Year 4 children off on their residential this week. They have been den building and hill and forest walking and eating and drinking hot chocolate and playing with their friends and toasting marshmallows by the campfire and pond and stream dipping—they were very tired and possibly a bit grubby when they returned. A massive thank you to all the staff who have organised and / or accompanied the children—Mrs Cowell, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Fairhurst and Mrs Saxton. We couldn't do these visits without you volunteering to go for which I am very grateful.

There was a netball tournament this week for our older pupils—more information on page 2.

Also, a big thank you to all families for your congratulations and support about our Ofsted report—business as usual now, onwards and upwards as we continue to give our pupils the very best education and provision possible in a safe and happy environment. So very privileged and proud to be in a school with our wonderful children, staff and families.

PTA next Tuesday, Junior Hall at 7pm—everyone welcome.

Miss Atkins—a headteacher who is very proud of our school and everyone who makes it a very special place.

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 are on the school website— 21 22 and 22 23 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. We do not have an official Facebook account for information.

Useful information

Before and after school clubs : booking forms available on school website

http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/48433

School uniform official supplier - other options are available, please see prospectus or start of year packs.

www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey

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

SENCo mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

Link to Digital Parenting magazine below:

<https://www.flipsnack.com/FA7569CC5A8/digital-parenting-by-vodafone-2021-edition/full-view.html>

Our netball team played in an inter school tournament this week and I had the following comments from one of our parents—couldn't write it better myself—thank you

Your Goostrey Netball team did you all proud – some brilliant passing and team work and a good number of goals too. The red cheeks show the effort that went in from everyone and the smiling faces show how much everyone enjoyed it! Massive thank you to Mrs Cooper for all the training sessions – they really paid off. And a big thank you to Mrs Flint for taking the team along on the day to cheer them on along with lots of family support from the sidelines too.

Well done Brianna, Isla, Finley, Rose, Isy & Scarlet!



MOTHER'S DAY



MOTHER'S DAY SHOPS TUESDAY 22ND AND THURSDAY 24TH MARCH

DON'T FORGET YOUR MOTHER'S DAY PRESENTS
CHILDREN!!!!

WE HAVE SOME GREAT GIFTS ON SALE STARTING
FROM £1

PLEASE BRING YOUR MONEY IN A NAMED PURSE
AND DON'T FORGET YOUR BAG FOR LIFE TO BRING
YOUR GIFTS HOME!



An update on **Jack's** recent challenge in which he ran/jumped/did push ups and carried his baby brother 100 laps around his garden in record time-he didn't make it easy for himself! He smashed his target and raised £285 for Starlight Children's Foundation who provide play opportunities and special trips for seriously ill children.

Super proud of his determination and focus to make a difference!



Laurie in Year 6 is outstanding at sports and he was told this week that he has been selected to represent Cheshire at the national indoor sports competition in Manchester later this month. Laurie's events are Speed Bounce, a two lap run and the relay with his team. Well done Laurie—we look forward to hearing all about it.



Please help us to support World Down Syndrome Day on Monday 21st March 2022.

Come to school in your odd socks.

Plus

this year we will also be selling gingerbread sock biscuits in the infant and junior playgrounds straight after school.

£1 per biscuit

Thank you Mrs Hughes

Please keep sending your child's achievements for the newsletter so we can celebrate them together. I love knowing about what the pupils are doing both in and out of school.

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.



BINGO

FRIDAY 25TH MARCH

GAMES - REFRESHMENTS - FUN!

GOOSTREY SCHOOL P.T.A.

6pm-7:30pm

GOOSTREY VILLAGE HALL

ROSE DAY INFANT PARTY SATURDAY 12 MARCH

The annual Rose Day Children's Party will take place on Saturday 12 March at the Village Hall. The party for infant children will take place between 3pm and 4.30pm. There will be an inflatable obstacle course and entry costs £2. Parents are also asked to bring a prize for the tombola on Rose Day. There will be a pop-up café for parents who wish to stay. We would request that people follow the Covid protocols and conduct a lateral flow test and not to attend with any Covid symptoms. In order to help the organisers, please register your child's attendance on the Rose Day Facebook page.

During the afternoon the Rose Bud Queen and her attendants will be selected. Because of Covid, one cohort missed out last year and so there will be two Rosebud Queens in 2022. The names of the Rosebud Queens and their attendants will be drawn from a hat. On the same day the Rose Queen for 2022 will be chosen by a panel of independent judges. After two years of a reduced event because of the pandemic, the committee is working towards a full-scale Rose Day on Saturday 25 June with a procession through the village, the traditional crowning of the Rose Queen, Maypole Dancing and a Ceilidh in the evening.



Compassionate Families

What it can mean to be part of a family
Second Sunday - All Age Service at St Luke's 10.00am this
Sunday
There is a welcome for you.

WINNER
BEST MEDIUM FESTIVAL
UK FESTIVAL AWARDS



21-24 JULY 2022
JODRELL BANK OBSERVATORY
CHESHIRE · UK

BLUEDOT FESTIVAL RETURNS TO JODRELL BANK!

21ST JULY – 24TH JULY 2022

Join us for four extraordinary days of music, science and cosmic culture, with much more still to be revealed. Featuring an extraordinary line up including Björk, Groove Armada, Mogwai and Metronomy.

Bluedot's dedicated resident's website provides details on how to apply for resident discount on tickets plus other information to keep you updated on our plans. Take a look and sign up to our newsletter here.

For more information visit
discoverthebluedot.com/residents
or scan the QR code on your phone



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FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY TEAM



SLEEP WORKSHOPS

Supporting your child with sleep

Visyon's Family and Community Wellbeing Team are pleased to offer a **Parent Workshop** which will support you in understanding why your child may be struggling to sleep. We will explore the science of sleep and practical strategies to support sleep.

The Programme is available to families in **Cheshire East** and will be held at Visyon in Congleton for **face-to-face** delivery. If you would like to book a place on the Programme, please contact rachel.roberts@visyon.org.uk who will contact you with further details.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come basis.



Parent Workshops – Sleep (2-hour workshop)
Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at 10:30am – 12:30pm

The science of sleep and practical strategies plus tips and advice.
One-to-one support arranged individually with a sleep practitioner.





Easter Holiday Tennis Fun



CHILDREN'S EASTER HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP IN GOOSTREY

*FUN-FILLED COACHING, GAMES AND FITNESS FOR ALL
ABILITIES*



'Camp' is run by an LTA qualified tennis coach and held at Boothbed Lane
Tennis Courts, Goostrey, from

Monday 4th April - Friday 8th April

Monday 11th April - Friday 15th April

9.30am-11.30am, and 11.30am-1.30pm

(choice of 2 morning sessions)

EMAIL play.tennis@hotmail.co.uk or call 07545 283718 for details



CHILDREN'S TENNIS COACHING PROGRAMME 2022

A CHOICE OF WEEKEND CLASSES AVAILABLE FROM APRIL TO
OCTOBER WITH COACHING AND GAMES FOR ALL ABILITIES
AND AGES 5-16.



Coaching is by an LTA qualified tennis coach and held at Boothbed
Lane Tennis Courts, Goostrey.

Coaching sessions are available on Friday evenings or Saturday
mornings

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

Year 2 & Year 6 assessments will be ongoing throughout both the spring and summer term until the **end of June 2022. It is vital that your child attends school for the whole of this period.** Y6 SATS are scheduled for WB 9th May.

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.



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

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 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 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

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 or class teachers, whose email addresses are on each class page on the website; <http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/classes>

In current circumstances we are not able to operate our normal open door policy.