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Newsletter 22 04 22

Dear Families

Dates for your diary:

Swimming pool arrives	Monday 9th May (lessons for all KS2 pupils commence 16th May over 2 weeks)
Year 6 SATs	WB 9th May
PTA	Tuesday 10th May 7pm Junior Hall
Cake Sale Y2	Friday 13th May
Classes and whole school photo	Thursday 16th June
Cake Sale Y1 and June Evening	Friday 17th June
New Starters' evening	Thursday 23rd June
Sports Day	Tuesday 5th July
Reserve Sports Day	Friday 8th July
Cake Sale Reception	Friday 15th July
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 22nd July in the afternoon

Over the Easter break we have had a security entry system fitted to the big gate on to the junior playground, we've had some very positive feedback from families about this. This gate should be closed and locked whenever children are on the playground. Visitors to school can buzz in to gain access. Please be aware that the gate will be locked until 8.40 am every day when the before school club is on the playground. At 8.40 we will open the gate and children early for school will be allowed on to the playground. As always pupils remain the responsibility of their families before the official start of the school day—8.50 for juniors and 8.55 for infants.

Our updated attendance policy is now on the school website. This gives guidance around reporting an absence and protocol around recording pupils late for school.

Film Night is next Friday 29th April— more information on page 2. Tickets on sale from next Monday - they will go quickly!

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

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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>

Film Night
Friday 29th April
The film to be shown is
The Bad Guys (U)



Tickets on sale from Monday 25th April
from Junior Reception priced at £5.00 each.
Please note tickets will not be available for sale before
8.50am

Showing in the Village Hall
Doors open 5.30pm
Film starts 6.00pm

Tuck shop open 5.30pm to 6.00pm
Reception children to be accompanied by an adult

Please do not bring popcorn as it gets stuck on the floorboards.

Tippi and her puppy Pluto passed the Puppy Skills course with 'Dig It Dogs' Tippi has really enjoyed training her pup and is looking forward to moving on to the bronze level next.



Alfie and Poppy recently attended the National Brass Youth Championships...

It involved leaving Sandbach at 7.15am to head to Northampton.... They returned at 7pm - without parents which was massive for them.

They had a brilliant day and particularly enjoyed the conductor workshop mum says.

There are no winners in the beginners category as they want all bands to promote playing with younger players, but they got some wonderful comments from the adjudicators.

A fabulous experience for them!



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.

Charity Football Match in aid of The Ukraine Red Cross Appeal



Sunday 29th 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 Ukraine Red Cross Appeal.

There will also be two PENALTY SHOOT-OUT COMPETITIONS. One for children aged 11 and under, and one for Mums and Grandmas! £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.

ProACT are pleased to be delivering a series of autism-related training courses at The Ark Café in Northwich; The first of which is detailed below.

All courses are £20 per person and places are limited to 20 per course.

Please check out the ProACT website

<https://www.cheshire-autism.com/training-upcoming-courses> or call 07976 041391 for more details

The first course is "An Introduction to Autism" and will take place on 19th May 2022 – 6-9 p.m. The short course will offer a detailed overview of this complex and fascinating subject and is perfectly suited for people who support individuals on the autism spectrum including parents, teaching staff or support workers.

The course will explain what autism is, including a brief history, alongside dismantling some of the most popular myths and misconceptions around the condition, before looking at the diagnostic criteria.

Our experienced trainer will offer supportive strategies and advice throughout the course.

We also offer a variety of autism related courses at different venues and also during the daytime - please email or message us for more details.

Thanks - The ProACT Team

Messy Church at Goostrey Methodist Church next meeting on Wednesday 27th April. 3.30 to 5.30.

Enjoy a welcome snack, followed with crafts, bible story, singing and games and a cooked meal to send you home full and happy.

We look forward to seeing you.

Please note a child needs to be accompanied by an adult.

Contact Hub in Cheshire East has launched

We've made it easier for families and health professionals to contact local children and family health services in Cheshire East, including Infant Feeding, Health Visiting, School Nursing, Immunisations and Family Nurse Partnership (FNP).

The Contact Hub, from the 0-19+ Service, provides a single point of access for families and health and care professionals across Cheshire East. It is a centralised contact centre and digital one stop shop for all things 0-19+. The single point of access model enables families and health professionals to be directed to the right service at the right time, with service users only telling their story once which reduces stress and anxiety for many people.

It offers a person centred approach and is staffed by clinical and non-clinical staff who triage and respond to calls from parents, carers, young people and health and care professionals across Cheshire East. Staff provide a range of support, as well as signposting and following up families depending on their need.

The Contact Hub is the first point of contact for both service users and health and care professionals. It is structured around the following:

- ☑ Telephone advice line and signposting to local services
- ☑ Service support - Infant Feeding (Cherubs), Health Visiting, School Nursing, Immunisations Administrative Team, and Family Nurse Partnership (FNP)
- ☑ Peer support ☑ ChatHealth - text messaging facility for 11-19 year olds (delivered by the School Nursing Team)
- ☑ Dedicated Facebook pages - Cheshire East Health Visiting Hub and Cheshire East School Nurses
- ☑ Referral management via an easy to use online form and triage
- ☑ Signposting and referrals into other local services
- ☑ Dedicated children and young people's website - instant access to information and guidance

The specialist team is on hand Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 4.30pm.

With one telephone number – [0300 123 4058](tel:03001234058) – the Contact Hub makes it easier for families to contact children and young people's services in Cheshire East

For more information visit the dedicated website

[Contact Hub - launching Monday 4 April - Wirral Community Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust \(wchc.nhs.uk\)](http://wchc.nhs.uk)

OLI'S SAFARI WALK

3K SPONSORED WALK
(wheelchair and pram friendly)

Knowsley Safari Park
Sunday 15th May 2022, 10.00am

Includes FREE
access to the safari
park afterwards



Entry

Online Entry (online registration closes Thursday 12th May)
£15 per adult, £7.50 per child or £30 for a family of 4 (2 adults, 2 children)

To register

www.alderheycharity.org T: Helen Hughes on 0151 252 5364
E: helen.hughes@alderheycharity.org

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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.**

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 web address for ordering school uniform is:
www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey



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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>