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Newsletter 6th May 2022

Dear Families,

Good luck to our Year 6 with their national tests next week—you've prepared well so be confident and just do your best. We are very proud of you.

Film Night was a huge success—thank you PTA

Year 1 cake sale has been brought forward to Friday 10th June so it doesn't clash with June Evening on the 17th. Year 2 cake sale is next Friday

PTA is next Tuesday evening at 7pm in the junior hall—everyone welcome

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>

Poppy took part in a charity dressage competition to raise money for the Ukraine-her first ever competition. She loved it and her and her pony Prince Charming came 3rd with 67.8%, she also won the best dressed competition. She was the only competitor in her group who had memorised the test, she did it without anyone calling out what to do. We are very proud of her.



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.



ECO CODE COMPETITION

We need a new Eco code for our school.

It must include these 5 key words

Refuse (eg. We can refuse to buy items wrapped in unnecessary plastic)

Reduce, Reuse, Repair, Recycle

Please make your poster A4 size.

The winning poster will be displayed in each classroom.

The winner will receive 50 housepoints.

Please bring your entries to school on or before May 16th

GOOSTREY ROSE DAY ORGANISERS ISSUE RALLY CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Organisers of this year's Goostrey Rose Festival are appealing for people to come forward to help run the annual event of Saturday 25th June.

For the past two years Rose Day celebrations have been limited because of the pandemic but organisers are hoping to return to the usual full-scale procession, crowning ceremony, fete and Ceilidh in 2022 but those plans are being hampered by a lack of volunteers.

Rose Day chair Christina Burgess said: "Although Rose Day is organised by a hard-working committee, the event's success relies on lots of people doing small amounts of work. We rely on an army of volunteers to help set up and take down the equipment on the field, marshal the procession or run one of the many stalls, but this year we have not had the usual response to our call for helpers.

"It may be that we have lost the continuity following Covid but so far we have been disappointed with the number of people coming forward to help."

Anyone who can help in any way on the day or in the run up to 25th June should e-mail enquiries@goostreyrosefestival.co.uk

Goostrey Open Gardens

Sunday 12th June 11.30pm- 5.30pm in aid of the East Cheshire Hospice

Tickets £8.50 Adults £3.50 Children

A tour of 14 glorious gardens of all shapes, sizes and styles around Goostrey.

Children accompanied by a responsible adults are very welcome to come along.

There is an I-spy challenge in every garden, in addition to molehill archaeology in one of them.

Moles there keep bringing up ancient treasures from their tunnels. Children will be able to sift the molehills for treasures and an archaeologist will help to identify and date them.

Tickets are now available at Goostrey News and The Trading Post or online via the East Cheshire Hospice

<http://www.eastcheshirehospice.org.uk/.../goostrey-open.../>

We look forward to seeing you



NOAH'S ARK DISPLAY AT ST LUKE'S CHURCH
THIS WEEK AND NEXT (finishing Friday 13th May)
CHURCH OPEN DURING DAY.

FUN MORNING SERVICE - ALL AGE
SUNDAY 8TH MAY 2022 AT 10.00AM
ALL WELCOME - BRING A SOFT TOY ANIMAL (if you
wish)

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.

Dates for your diary:

Swimming pool arrives

Year 6 SATs

PTA

Cake Sale Y2

Classes and whole school photo

Cake Sale Y1

June Evening

New Starters' evening

Sports Day

Reserve Sports Day

Cake Sale Reception

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Monday 9th May

WB 9th May

Tuesday 10th May 7pm Junior
Hall

Friday 13th May

Thursday 16th June

Friday 10th June

Friday 17th June

Thursday 23rd June

Tuesday 5th July

Friday 8th July

Friday 15th July

Friday 22nd July in the
afternoon



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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Contact Hub 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).

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

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

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.

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>