

Queen Elizabeth II

1926 - 2022

We are saddened to learn of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Thank you for seventy years of dedication and service to our country

Rest in Peace Ma'am.

We will be talking to the children, today about this momentous event in the history of our country. Once we know more about the plans for schools, on the day of the funeral, we will share them with you.





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9th September 2022

Dear Families,

Our new school year is now underway and the children have settled quickly and well. I continue to be so proud of our school and it is a real privilege to be part of it.

PARENTS PLEASE TALK WITH YOUR CHILDREN TONIGHT ABOUT ROAD SAFETY
We had an email yesterday from a concerned parent about a child running into the road on their way to The Crown. A car had to brake to avoid hitting him.

It is expected that all children (boys and girls) with long hair have it tied back in school—this helps to stop the spread of head lice as well as making it safer when playing or in sports lessons. Thank you

Please let all families interested in a place at our school for September '23 know that our Open Morning is on Thursday 6th October at 9.30 in the Sunshine Room. Everyone is welcome to come and have a tour of the infant school and there will be opportunities to chat with staff and ask any questions they may have. Individual tours can also be arranged with a senior staff member.

If families would like one of these please email Mrs Schurer-Lewis on admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk
Thank you

Covid update— If your child is unwell for any reason their absence will be recorded as ill, as we are no longer required to record Covid absences separately.

We are now preparing for our whole school exhibition, in October. The theme of our Exhibition is **INSPIRE**. We look forward to receiving the holiday homework and photographic challenge—please see pages 3 and 4 for more information.
PHOTOGRAPHIC CHALLENGE DEADLINE IS NEXT WEEK.

Year 6 are our cake sale winners from last year and they will have a free dress day on Wednesday 14th September

Before School Club is now £4 a session.

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>

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.

Summer Photo Competition – linked to our next exhibition

INSPIRE

It's time for another photo competition! For a chance to win lots of house points, get out and about over the holidays and see what amazing photographs you can take.

This time the theme is:

Inspirational Adventures

Please make sure that anyone in your photo has given their permission to be included in the competition. Photos will be displayed at the exhibition in October. Email your photographs to mrs.beardsworth@gostrey.cheshire.sch.uk by Monday September 12th.

We're excited to see what amazing and inspiring photographs you can take

Summer holiday home activity
for our annual October exhibition

'Inspire'

**Create a piece of colourful
artwork using the first letter
of your name**

A bright, vibrant and colourful depiction of the first letter of your name. Please add something to the back so we can hang the letter on the wall—fastener or wire etc.

You can use any material: paper, wood, plastic, fabric or natural materials.

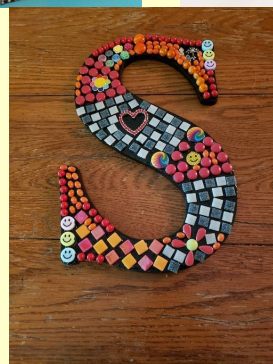
Please bring your 'letters' to school on the week of 3rd October. (Please not before that date as it is difficult to store them safely)

Above all, please have fun creating your piece of art!

NOTE! The piece should be between 30cm to 75cm approx.



Shop Room



Stanley (Year 1) earned his yellow belt at the start of the summer and he was also recognised for his 'black belt attitude' with an additional award.



Last Sunday, **Millie** spent the morning squeezing lemons and making homemade lemonade. Then she set up a lemonade stand in our front garden and raised an impressive £73.42 for MuffinPug



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.



Rainbow Music Clubs



Lunchtime Music Clubs for Years 2 – 6

Year 2 Chimes, drums, bells, boomwhackers, ocarina, recorder & ukulele

Year 3 Chimes, drums, tuned percussion, guitar, pBuzz, recorder, fife & ukulele

Year 4 – 6 Guitar, ukulele, keyboard, percussion, wind, brass & strings



For details please email kate@musicwithkate.co.uk
To book please visit <https://bookwhen.com/musicwithkate>

Ask About Asthma week – 12-18 September

[#AskAboutAsthma](#)

Asthma advice and information drop in events for Children, Young People and their Parent/Carers in Cheshire East.

Paediatric Nurse Debi Allcock will be out and about with the Health & Wellbeing buses on Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th September providing education and advice on childhood asthma for children, young people and their parent/carers and signposting to resources available. This is a great opportunity for families to drop in and speak with one of our healthcare professionals about triggers, how to recognise asthma attacks, symptoms and receive advice on asthma care, inhaler technique and much more.

Also joining the bus will be a representative from the children's centre who will provide information and support on resources available at local children's centres and one of our local school nurses from our 0-19 +service will be with us to offer support, advice, and guidance on care in schools.

Don't miss this brilliant opportunity to find out how you can support your child and young person with asthma care and understand where to access local help and support.

The Health & Wellbeing bus will be at the following locations offering a drop in service for families:-

Tuesday 13th September 2022

8.30 – 12:00 - Booths Supermarket, Stanley Road, Knutsford, WA16 0BS

13:00 – 16:00 - Oakenclough Children's Centre, Colshaw Drive, Wilmslow. SK9 2PZ

Wednesday 14th September 2022

8.30 – 11:30 - Crewe Lifestyle Centre, Moss Square, Crewe. CW1 2BB

13:00 – 16:00 - Monks Children's Centre, Remer Street, Coppenhall. CW1 4LY

We are proud to support #AskAboutAsthma in 2022 by making sure that every child and young person with #asthma – and their parents or carers – are aware of the four asks to manage their asthma:

1. Get an asthma action plan in place
2. Understand how to use inhalers correctly
3. Schedule an asthma review – every year and after every attack
4. Consider air pollution and its impact on lung health.

[#AskAboutAsthma](#) is an annual campaign led by NHS England – London and encourages simple changes to children and young people's care that will make a big difference to how they experience their asthma. The campaign runs in September to coincide with children's return to school and the annual "September surge" in asthma presentations to urgent and emergency care.

If you would like more information on these events please email: Hayley Burnham, Child Health Hub Project Manager on Hayley.burnham@mcht.nhs.uk



**Children's entertainment at this year's
Goosfest - all at Bidlea Dairy and Ice Cream Parlour**

**Saturday October 8th - two performances by The Coalesce Dance
Company—a family friendly show, suitable for children 4 to 104!
11.30am and 1.30pm**

For tickets visit <https://goosfest.com/tickets/the-coalesce-dance-company-presents-the-the-old-green-time-machine/>



A family-friendly show that is a whirlwind of contemporary dance, music and fun (suitable for children aged from 4 to 104!). Performances last approximately 20 minutes and are followed by a 40-minute workshop/ 'Stay, plan and learn' session after the show. Tickets £10 each from Goosfest.com.

**Saturday October 15th - three performances of 'Twisted Tales for
Terrible Children' by Gav Cross**



30-minute performances at 11am, 2pm and 3pm. Suitable for children 7+. Tickets cost £6 each, available from Goosfest.com



Sunday September 11th
10am-10.45am @ St Luke's
Church, Goostrey

Come along to the first of our new-look short services for children and families - featuring Cheeky Pandas' songs and activities.

It's fun, informal and led by local people.
Give it a try!

Cheeky Pandas[®]

Year 2 & Year 6 assessments will be ongoing throughout both the spring and summer term until the **end of June 2023. 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 | | |
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| 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.

Do you have a concern about a child?

Anyone can make a call if they have concerns about a child. This call can be made confidentially.

Cheshire East Consultation Service

The Cheshire East Consultation Service (ChECS) is the 'front door' for access to services, support and advice for children and their families.

General public

Phone ChECS on **0300 123 5012 (option 3)** Callers will be directed to a Unit Coordinator who will ask if the concerns are early help or safeguarding. You will then be directed to either Practitioner Support Officer for Early Help requests for support or a Social Worker (ChECS) for safeguarding concerns. The worker will gather your information and advise you of the next steps.

If you need to contact someone out of hours and you believe it to be an emergency that can't wait, please call our Emergency Duty Team on **0300 123 5022**.

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.



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/>



The **'Back to School'** issue is loaded with useful information for parents including:
What's On in September & October for Families in Cheshire
First chapter books for early readers
Understanding phonics
Mastering times tables
What to do if you child 'hates' school
Helping your child with panic attacks

[Families Cheshire Magazine](#)

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 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 £4.00 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>