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Newsletter 16th September

Dear Families,

Monday 19th September has been designated as a Bank Holiday, therefore school will be closed for the funeral of Her Majesty The Queen.

REMINDER: 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, with a senior staff member, can also be arranged. If families would like one of these please email admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk thank you.

If your child is sitting exams for a private school, for Year 7, we will be asked for a reference. Please be aware that these are invoiced to the families, from school, at £25 per reference.

We are now preparing about our whole school exhibition, in October. The theme of our Exhibition is **INSPIRE**. If you still have photos to send in we will happily receive these next week. The exhibition will be on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th October, 2pm to 6.30pm both days. Thank you

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.

Term dates for 22 23 and 23 24 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 the school website for more information.

www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey

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

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NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM NEWS



SPECTACLED OWL

Thank you to everyone for voting for us in the Shed of the Year Competition.

Despite all of our efforts, unfortunately we were not successful, but we still love our shed (it's not a shed it's a museum!)

Our theme this half term is

Owls

We were inspired to find out more by Ray Jackson MBE from Lower Moss Wood when he visited school in July.

If you have anything owl related that we could use in our display please bring it into school.

Thank you.



BARN OWL



SNOWY OWL

Summer holiday home activity
for our annual October exhibition

'Inspire'

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

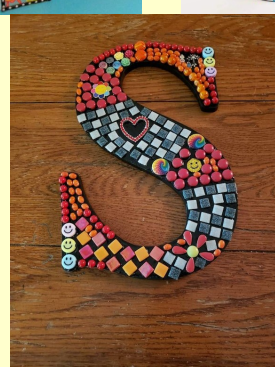
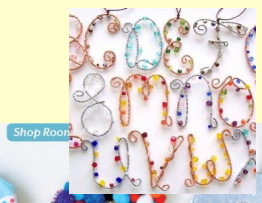
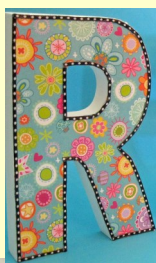
A bright, vibrant and colourful depiction of the first letter of your name. Please add something to the back so we can hang the letter on the wall—fastener or wire etc.

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.





Freddie Northwood from Year 1 received player of the week at Sandbach rugby over the weekend, which is a huge achievement given this is only his 2nd week with the club. He was very proud of himself.

Cole yesterday went to pay his respects to our late Queen, he was very engaged and respectful as he looked around in awe at the tributes left by people from all around the world. Cole left a card that our family had written in, JJ had left a comment saying how much he loved the Jubilee, you can see the lovely pictures Cole decorated the envelope with.



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.



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



Gymnastics

GOOSTREY SCOUT HUT

FRIDAYS
4 YEARS +



cmracoaches@gmail.com 07885762920

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		
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.



Holiday Club

15th August to 2nd September 2022

9am to 6 pm

Monday to Friday

For more information email:

bookings@goostreyallstars.co.uk



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 £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>

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