



@goostreyprimary

### Newsletter 27th November 2020

#### **Covid Update**

Cheshire East will be moving back to tier 2, once the national lockdown restrictions end on 2nd December. School will now revisit our Covid safety procedures, following guidance from the DfE, to ensure we are doing all we can to mitigate risk while keeping school operating as normal as possible. We will, of course, keep you informed of any significant changes that affect your child/ren.

We are hoping to record our singing next week for the Goostrey Christmas C.D. featuring every class—it's going to be a classic and will lift the spirits I am sure. These will be available to purchase for you and your family to enjoy.

#### Coming up in the next few weeks:

**Christmas Shop**— our PTA have very kindly been out to purchase and wrap for your child to buy. We will let you know when the shop is open.

**Christmas lunch**—infants 9th December and juniors 10th December—no crackers allowed this year, but children may wear their festive clothing for the day, if they wish.

**Christmas Jumper Day** Friday 11th December—donations for the PTA—please give generously as we are not asking for contributions for the pantomime due to PTA funding it

Goostrey Pupils' Christmas CD available to buy—more information to follow

Live performance of Peter Pan (fully funded by the PTA) for all classes on Monday 14th December

**Friday 18th December**—a special video message for the children to watch (no more clues as it's a surprise)

The photo on the right is staff member, looking very happy, from her childhood—can you guess who she is?



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

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.

Miss Atkins—a head teacher who is very proud of Goostrey School and everyone associated with it.

**SENCo**: If you need any help, support or advice regarding children's special educational needs, please feel free to contact Mrs Freeman our school SENco <a href="mailto:mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk">mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk</a>

#### Useful information

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

http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\_file/48433
School uniform: www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey

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

## Inspirational Being of the Week News Report

When Figo the guide dog saw an oncoming mini school bus heading for Audrey Stone, the blind woman he was trained to guide, the golden retriever's protective instincts kicked in: He threw himself at the closest part of the vehicle he could.

The driver of the school bus, carrying pupils in New York City, told police he didn't see the pair crossing the road as they made their way home at about 8:15 Monday morning.

But Figo saw the bus coming and leapt into action.

Stone, 62, suffered a fractured right elbow, three broken ribs, a fractured ankle and a cut to her head in the accident, said Police Chief John Del Gardo.

"Figo's leg was cut down to the bone. I don't know if (the driver) thought (Stone) was going to move faster, but it looks like the dog tried to take most of the hit for her," said Paul Schwartz, who manages the gas station and ran to the scene to help.



When Schwartz reached the crash site Stone was bleeding from her head and complaining of hip pain. "The dog didn't want to leave her side," Schwartz said. "He was flopping over to her and she didn't want him to get away from her, either. She kept screaming, 'Where's Figo? Where's Figo? Where's Figo?' We kept telling her he was fine."

Schwartz then bandaged Figo's right leg.

"He was limping so we put him on a big blanket, on the sidewalk and it started to rain. He let us wrap up his leg without any problem—he kept pulling toward his owner to look after her. After she was put in an ambulance he stopped doing that. He seemed a little lost after she left and we took him to the vets.

"Figo took a lot of the blow and he did not want to leave her side. He stood right with her. He was there to save her." said one witness

Over the next few months, the pair recovered and Figo was able to return home to a hero's welcome.

Figo was awarded Dog of the Year and there is a one minute clip on YouTube — **Hero dog reunited** with blind woman he saved





Christingle Time!! a sure sign Christmas is on its way!

This year we are unable to have our annual Christingle service in church, but we have alternatives.

**Friday 4th December** - you can collect your bag with its precious goodies and instructions inside so that you can take a DIY Christingle to take home, after school. We will be in the village school carpark for you to collect your bag just before the end of school that day. If that is impossible for you please email your address to my email address at the bottom of this notice and we will deliver to you.

If you wish to make a donation to the Children's Society you can do so, with cash on that day.

If you would rather donate on line please go to the Children's Society website and press Donate.

We will be having a short zoom service on **Sunday 6th December at 4pm**.

If you wish to join us please email me and we will send you an invite and a link for that event.

My contact details are <u>rainbowheatherhuggins@hotmail.com</u>

Blessings, Heather (St Luke's vicar)



#### **Visyon Parent/Carer Webinars**

Our parent/carer webinars have proved very popular and we have now planned a new timetable of webinars, which are intended to offer information and ideas to help you in supporting your child with understanding and managing their emotions and wellbeing. These are open to parents/carers or other interested family members.

The webinars are delivered as a presentation on Zoom. As a participant you are not connected via video or audio but may interact or ask questions using the typed chat function. You may only want to attend the session which is most relevant to you or you might find all useful, although there will be some overlap between the sessions.

The forthcoming webinars are:

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 11-12noon Supporting your Child's Wellbeing https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN s0EFHva3ROm0DfXK7wVARA

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 11-12noon Understanding the Teenage Brain <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN</a> i9kHvpLlQ1aXMnyjmNsOEg

Please click on the relevant link to register in advance for the webinar you wish to attend. You need to register separately for each webinar you wish to attend.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

If you are interested in finding out about other ways in which Visyon might be able to support you and your family, please visit <a href="www.visyon.org.uk">www.visyon.org.uk</a>, follow us on Facebook (VisyonItd) or telephone us on 01260 290000.

**NEW CLASSES AVAILABLE...** 

## RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS



Goostrey Village Scout Hut In partnership with City of Manchester Rhythmic Academy.



# COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers



What to do if	Action needed	Back to school
my child has COVID- 19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	<ul> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child should get a test</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	when child's test comes back negative
my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	<ul> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms)</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</li> </ul>	when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours  They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.
in my household has COVID- 19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	<ul> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Household member with symptoms should get a test</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*
somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	Child shouldn't attend school     Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days	when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days

<sup>\*</sup> Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at:

What to do if	Action needed	Back to school
NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)	•Child shouldn't attend school •Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test neg- ative during those 14 days •Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too	when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days
we / my child has trav- elled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quaran- tine	•Do not take unauthorised leave in term time •Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel •Provide information to school as per attendance policy  Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:	when the quaran- tine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days
	•Child shouldn't attend school •Whole household self- isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days	
we have re- ceived advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shield- ing	•Child shouldn't attend school •Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team •Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again	when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again
I am not sure who should get a test for COVID - 19 (coronavirus)	•Only people with symptoms* need to get a test •People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive	when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met

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.

Goostrey All Stars—our after school club.

Booking forms and more information can be found on the school's website: *School Information—Before and After School Clubs*.

£12 per session for one child and £11.50 for a sibling attending the same session.

The club runs from the school hall and the infant children are collected from their classrooms at the end of the day by the club staff. Junior children go straight from their classroom to the hall.

The club operates from the end of school until 6pm each school day.

#### **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.