

Our Exhibition is only a few days away and our pupils are working hard to inspire you

Wednesday 19th October and Thursday 20th October 2pm to 6.30pm School Hall

The children have been learning inspirational songs and we would really like to share these with you.

The **Infant classes** will be performing on **Wednesday 19th October and 20th October at 3pm on the junior playground**. This will give families a great opportunity to view the Exhibition with your child afterwards.

The **junior classes** will perform later in the **evenings at 5pm**. The **years 3 and 4 will perform on Wednesday 19th October and the years 5 and 6 on Thursday 20th October**.

Junior children must be accompanied by an adult, if they are planning to come back to school for the performances.

Everyone is welcome to come and see our exhibition—please tell your family and friends.

Staff will be running a café and any donations of cakes will be gratefully received—thank you.



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7th October 2022

Dear Families,

Pupils wearing sports uniform on the days they have sports is working well for school and I believe also for families. We would like to remind everyone about the sports uniform.

Thank you

Sports tops must be plain with no logo and no football shirts – they are either plain red or plain white (there is an official Goostrey sports top, available through our official supplier, although any plain red or white top is suitable but)

As well as the list below pupils will be allowed to wear their usual Goostrey sweat shirts or their plain red jumpers / cardigans.

Goostrey sports top with logo** red or a plain T-shirt white or red

Shorts Black

Socks White

Plimsolls Black or Trainers Plain black or white – no other colours, logos or flashing lights
thank you

Jogging bottoms Plain black

YEAR 6 CAKE SALE - next Friday 14th October

Pumpkin update:

Fundraiser for Goostrey Community Primary School PTA

Vouchers are coming home today—if you present the voucher when making a pumpkin purchase, they'll **donate 20% of all the proceeds to the PTA**. All vouchers will have your child's house colour on it and will be taken in when you buy your pumpkin. At the end of the pumpkin sales the vouchers will come back in to school and the winning house will be announced and will gain 100 extra points.

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

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 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

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>

Eco Committee



Members of the year 6 eco group are getting ready to start recycling used Christmas cards to make tags.

If anyone still has any old Christmas cards from previous years, please send them into school so that they can be transformed into tags for this year's festive gifts.

Thank you

Mid-Day Assistants Vacancies

We are seeking enthusiastic and caring people to join our team supervising our pupils over the lunchtime breaks.

Please contact our School Business Manager, Mrs J Schurer-Lewis on 01270 918940 or via e-mail; admin@gostrey.cheshire.sch.uk to request an application form and job description.

Goostrey Community Primary School is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of our pupils. Successful applicants will be required to have enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service checks, and attend Basic Safeguarding awareness training



OLIVER'S PUMPKINS

OLIVER AND HIS FAMILY STARTED GROWING PUMPKINS AS A HOBBY IN 2019. WE HAVE GRADUALLY EXPANDED AND NOW WE ARE PRODUCING OVER 1,000 PUMPKINS EACH SEASON!

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS, OUR AIM IS TO PROVIDE A WIDE VARIETY OF AFFORDABLE PUMPKINS WHICH ARE LOCALLY PRODUCED AND WITH MINIMAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.
(METRES FROM FIELD TO MARKET, NOT MILES)

We are open every
weekend in October
(10am-4pm)
Visit us at CW10 9ND
near the Three Greyhounds
pub, Allostock



Find us on Facebook
[@oliverspumpkins](#)



Year 5 & 6 Football Tournament

Footballers from years 5 & 6 took part in a tournament at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive on Monday. We played six games against local schools and came joint second overall, which is a fantastic achievement. Once again, the team's sportsmanship and behaviour were absolutely brilliant and the children really enjoyed the event.

Well done to Freddy, Jude, Noah, Charlie, Louis and Ben



Poppy took part in a night-time charity swim with her big sisters school, raising money for Mencap.

Poppy has a half hour slot 9-9.30pm and managed to swim 46 lengths which was an impressive 690m. She was one of the youngest swimmers to take part and got a certificate and a medal



John and Luke (Year 1) are very proud to have reached their first Parkrun Milestone. 10 5k runs completed and on their way to the next milestone.

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.

Key dates—autumn term:

Year 6 Cake Sale	Friday 14th October
Exhibition—INSPIRE	Wednesday 19th October and Thursday 20th October 2pm to 6.30pm School Hall Infant singing at 3pm on the junior playground— Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th October. Years 3 and 4 singing at 5pm on 19th October Years 5 and 6 singing at 5pm on 20th October
School closes—half term	Thursday 20th October
School opens	Monday 31st October
Film Night	Friday 11th November
Parents' Evenings	WB 21st November
Fluenz Vaccine	Monday 21st November
Individual photos	Wednesday 23rd November
School closes—Christmas	Friday 16th December

Dates will be added to the above throughout the term.

Extra curricular clubs, sporting and class specific events are not included above. Information for these will be sent out separately to families.

St Luke's
Church

**HARVEST
FESTIVAL**



SUNDAY 9th OCTOBER
at 10.00 am



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.



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.