

Newsletter 26th February 2021



Dear Families,

## Today I have one main thing to say—Monday March 8th all our children are back in school and we are delighted. I'm sure you are too!

In the main school will operate as it did in the autumn term and once we have updated our risk assessments, in line with DfE current guidance, I will share the main points with all families—there are very few changes. Staggered start and finish times will be just as they were in December. Please do not arrive too early for drop off or pick up and once your child has gone in to school or you have picked them up we are asking you to then leave the school premises quickly. This will minimise the number of people gathered in one place. Masks still need to be worn on school premises thank you.

Before and after school clubs will continue to operate from March 8th—please see the end of this newsletter for information on bookings. Our sports coaches will be back and working with pupils, homework clubs, for older pupils, and other academic after school clubs will operate. However we cannot resume all extra curricular activities at this point.

We will need to see how the rest of the school year goes now as guidance is regularly reviewed by the DfE—however I do think we will have to follow significant restrictions and guidelines for a few months to come. That we can cope with—the main thing is our pupils are all coming back to the classrooms and this means that we can all return to some normality.

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

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.

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— 20 21 and 21 22

#### 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

SENCo mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

**Max Howson** has passed his initial grade Trinity College London acoustic guitar exam.

**Beau Burgess** has passed his initial grade Trinity College London acoustic guitar exam with merit.

**Sydney Hawcroft-Adams** has passed his grade 1 Trinity College London acoustic guitar exam with distinction.

Well done to all three boys—these are excellent results.

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.

# Calling All Budding Goostrey Artists Would you like to get involved in a competition?







The Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for young artists aged 5 - 19 years studying in the UK and British schools overseas.

#### We have registered Goostrey School for this competition.

Next, students, their parents/guardians or their teachers can submit artworks. These artworks are then judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts.

What kind of artworks do they accept?

The artwork can be made using any medium (a word for the materials you've used to create your piece). It can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, video, drawing, or a combination. There is no theme so artworks can be of any subject and we don't mind when you made the artwork as long as you are between 5-19 when you submit it. We also welcome collaborative pieces.

- Key dates for 2021
- Submission closes 26 April 2021
- Judging May 2021
- Online and onsite exhibitions open
- 11 July 2021

#### How can I enter?

Submitting artwork is completely free and is done online. Once the school is registered, which we are, your artworks can be submitted. If you're 12 or under, a teacher or parent/guardian will need to enter for you.

Each student can submit up to three artworks of any type and there is no theme. When you enter, we'll ask for images of your artwork plus some information about the piece such as title, size, and a little text about the artwork and why you made it. Your artwork will be seen by our panel of judges and the selected pieces will be shown in our online exhibition. Some of the artworks will also be shown at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Young Artists' Summer Show | Royal Academy

Hello, please join us during the weekend of 5th March to raise some much needed funds for the PTA. There's a variety of ways you can support the event from buying raffle tickets, coming along to the zoom PT class to treating yourself to some Tropic goodies! There will also be daily give aways, simply join the Facebook page......

https://m.facebook.com/groups/goostreyptafundraiser/?tsid=0.4500820425612291&source=result

## Let's Get Glowing For Mother's Day In Association with Goostrey Primary School PTA

Join us from

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March At our Facebook group

https://www.facebook.com/groups/goostreyptafundraiser

Come and find out which Tropic products will get your glow on as well as discovering some of the amazing gift sets and ideas we have to brighten up Mother's Day.

We will also be joined by Claire Withe on Saturday morning at 11am to help us all get our full body glow on, with a 45 minute fitness session, for a small donation of £5.

They'll be lots of exciting things to join in with each day and we'll also be taking donations for the PTA to hopefully help cover some of the funds that have been lost with out being able to hold our usual events. Every £1 that is donated = 1 entry into a prize draw

For every order that is placed over the event we will also be donating 10% of the sales to the PTA

Remember to share the group link with friends and family.

We look forward to seeing you all on-line

For more information or help with joining the Facebook group please contact

Emma Shanahan 07837 548259 Melissa Bairstow 07519 658488



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BEST YOUNG BAKERS
AGED 9 - 15

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APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SUNDAY 28TH MARCH 2021





Before entering any part of the school building please read the questions below:

In the last 14 days have you or any member of your household tested positive for Covid-19?

In the last 14 days have you or any member of your household displayed symptoms of Covid-19?
High temperature
New continuous cough
Loss of, or change to, your sense of taste/smell

Have you been identified by test and trace, or any other official source, as a 'close contact' of someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, within the last 14 days?

If you have answered yes to any of the above, please DO NOT enter the school building.

Thank You.

#### Update to the following pages from PHE

#### **Change in Isolation Date for Close Contacts**

The <u>Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus</u> (<u>COVID-19</u>) <u>infection</u> has changed meaning that self-isolation for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus has shortened from 14 to 10 days.

Key summary points of the new isolation guidance include:

As of Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020, the isolation period reduced to 10 days.

Isolation periods will take the day contact occurred as Day 0 of the isolation period, so contacts must remain in isolation until Day 11.

## 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 identi- fied my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or con- firmed 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 in- formation to school as per attend- ance policy  Returning from a destination	when the quaran- tine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days
	where quarantine is needed:	
	•Child shouldn't attend school •Whole household self- isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days	
we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding	•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
l 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



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/





#### 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.



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.

#### **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 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.