

### Newsletter 18th June 2021

Dear Families,

Cheshire East is now part of **ENHANCED MEASURES AREA** because of the rising rates of COVID infections in the borough. At Goostrey School we are mindful of the extra restrictions this will bring, on all schools, but we remain determined to give our pupils the best provision possible. To go above and beyond the excellent teaching and learning, where it is safe and possible to do so.

Exhibition—we are already planning for our exhibition to take place in October

Swimming for the juniors—we couldn't use the public baths so we hired our own pool

**Sports Day** for the whole school will go ahead in class bubbles—we cannot have spectators but neither will we cancel the event for the pupils

Fun Run in pyjamas—Monday July 5th £2 (minimum entry fee) - a fun day in class bubbles

Pre—school children visiting the school—risk assessed and proceeding in a different format

Transition R to Y1 and Y2 to Y3—risk assessed and going ahead

Year 2 dance classes in lieu of the Maypole this year. Classes with a local dance teacher.

**Extra music provision** for Year 4 in preparation for their Wider Opps lessons next year. Year 5 have continued with their Wider Opps lesson this year

**Trips out for pupils** only where we are permitted to do so.

We have not been allowed to mix classes, for the whole of this year, so we sadly couldn't have buddies (next year looks like this will be possible once again) so we looked at what we could do to make the Year 6 final term special -

**End of year performance**—we can't have an audience but the pupils will still have the experience of being in a production and we have arranged for a professional recording of the pay for families to purchase and keep

**Dress Down Wednesdays** for the whole of this half term for all the year 6 pupils (very popular)

**Leavers' Assembly** will go ahead —possibly outside but fingers crossed for inside if we are allowed by then

**Year 6 concert** for all pupils in Mrs Hext's lunchtime music group

### Useful information

Before and after school clubs: booking forms available on school website <a href="http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\_file/48433">http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\_file/48433</a>
School uniform: <a href="www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey">www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey</a>
On-line payment website address <a href="www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop">www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schoolshop</a>
SENCo mrs.freeman@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

### Extraordinary Person of the Week

### Sky Brown: 12-year-old skateboarder qualified for GB Olympic team



### Skateboarder Sky Brown could be Great Britain's youngest ever summer Olympian.

The 12-year-old has qualified for the GB team for this summer's Tokyo Olympics. It was only a year ago that Sky suffered a **serious head injury, broken wrist and hand** after falling while training.

After the accident, Sky said she was even more determined to make a comeback. Last month she put herself in line for Olympic selection after a second place finish in an extreme sports competition in the US. A few days later she posted on Instagram: "It was a year ago yesterday since my accident and now I'm feeling better than ever."

A parent has asked me to make you aware of Newcastle Hedgehog Rescue Group.

If you need any advice or are concerned about a hedgehog please ring Denny on 07403 572116 who will be happy to help.

If a hedgehog is out during the day they could be in trouble. Hedgehogs thrive on dry cat food and fresh water and should not have mealworms, milk or bread.

Please always check for hedgehogs before strimming or mowing. Hedgehogs like to sleep in log and leaf piles and hog boxes if you have one. Thank you



### **ROSE DAY COMPETITIONS**

The Banner and Bunting Competition will be back for 2021! Villagers are invited to decorate their homes or businesses in the week leading up to Rose Day, ready for judging on the Friday. The winner will receive the trophy with runner's-up receiving rosettes. We can't wait to see Goostrey covered in bunting once again!

### CHILDREN'S COMPETITION

Age group 1, up to 8 years and group 2, 8-11 years Pebble up to 25cm

Entries should be taken to the Orchards Farm, Twemlow (opposite Bidlea Dairy) on Saturday 19 June between 9.00 am and 10.00 am. Judging will take place at 10.00 am. Entries to be picked back up at 11.00 am till 12.00. There will be sweets for each entrant on pick up and a photo of the entries, with the child's first name and age displayed, will be put on the Rose Day Facebook page.









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# CREATE A PLANT POT GARDEN COMPETITION

DETAILS ON THE ROSE FESTIVAL FACEBOOK PAGE











### CHILDREN'S COMPETITION PEBBLE ART

DETAILS TO FOLLOW VIA ROSE DAY FACEBOOK PAGE









### How to become a Betjie Angel

We have set up a Just Giving page to enable donations to be made quickly and easily.

### The Just Giving link is:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/elizabethfontein

We will be sending the total sum of the donations to Elizabethfontein at the end of June.

You can donate as much you would like.

Please email Elizabethfontein School (Elizabethfonteinps@gmail.com) and let them know that you have donated on Just Giving to become an Angel.

They will send you a short profile of the child you have helped.

Thank you so much for your support.

f 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.



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.



# Parents with children at nurseries, schools and colleges

A guide to regular rapid Covid-19 testing



# Regular rapid testing is now available for parents, their households and bubbles.

Regular rapid testing is a fast and easy way to find out if you have coronavirus and help protect your loved ones and community. It's free and takes around 30 minutes.

# Why introduce regular rapid testing?

Up to 1 in 3 people who have Covid-19 have no symptoms and could be spreading it without knowing.

Regular rapid testing is now available for parents of nursery, school children and college students. As well as adults in their households, childcare and support bubbles.

Regular testing for people without symptoms is already taking place across the country. Thousands of people who didn't know they had the virus have been able to take action to stop the spread of the disease.

As lockdown restrictions ease, getting into the regular habit of twice weekly testing will play an important role in getting back to normal; alongside the vaccine, following the hands, face, space guidance, and social distancing measures.

## Regular testing for school staff and students

Regular rapid testing is already available to all staff at nursery, primary and secondary schools and colleges.

Secondary school and college students aged 11 and above will continue to access regular rapid tests directly through their school or college. And we continue to encourage them to get tested.

On return they will initially be supervised while testing at school and then continue to test themselves at home with test kits they will get from school or college.

Nursery and primary school children are not being asked to be tested as evidence continues to show that children and young people are at low risk from Covid-19 and are very unlikely to get seriously ill.

# What is the benefit to you?

By taking part in regular rapid testing, you'll be protecting yourself and your loved ones. And helping us all get back to a more normal way of life.



### **COVID-19 testing in Cheshire East**

To help to control the spread of COVID-19, particularly in areas that have seen outbreaks, we are offering a number of additional testing options for **anyone who does not have symptoms**.

In particular, we are asking all staff in Macclesfield and Crewe to consider getting a PCR test – especially those in the 18-39 age group (who are least likely to have received one / both doses of the vaccine).

Free PCR lab tests are available at our Crewe and Macclesfield local test sites and at a number of temporary mobile testing units.

While both local and mobile testing sites are set up to accept walk-ins, to avoid unnecessary delays or a wasted journey at busy times, <u>you can book appointments online</u> and extra time slots have been made available.

When booking, select 'do not have symptoms' and then "I was asked to take a test by the Local Authority'.

Please remember to take a mobile phone with you or a form of photo ID.

### Local testing site locations:

- Crewe local test site, Chester Street car park, Crewe, CW1 2ER from 8am to 8pm daily
- Macclesfield local test site, Commercial Road, Macclesfield, SK10 2QJ from 8am to 8pm daily

### Mobile testing site locations:

- **Middlewich Town Football Club**, Finney's Lane, Middlewich CW10 9DR Opening hours: 9am to 4pm, 7 days a week.
- Cranage Hall, Byley Lane, Cranage, Holmes Chapel, CW4 8EW Opening hours: 9am to 4pm, 7 days a week.
- The Centre, 107 Park Lane, Poynton, SK12 1RB. Opening hours: 9am to 4pm.

Mobile testing units' locations and opening hours will change, so keep up to date on our <u>temporary</u> <u>mobile testing units</u> web page.

### Get a test to take at home

You can collect a Lateral Flow Test kit from a local testing site without an appointment. You do not need to take proof of ID or address.

• Crewe local testing site - Chester Street Car Park, Crewe, CW1 2ER between 2.30pm - 8pm

A <u>click and collect service</u> for test kits is also available at 5 other test sites. If you can't use the click and collect system, you can phone 0300 123 5032 for someone to help you.

Or you can get a test posted to you.

People who have been asked to self-isolate **should not attend** a testing site, and will need to book a PCR test if they develop symptoms.



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.