



01270 918940

admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk



09 02 2024

Dear Families,

The summer ball is back and our wonderful PTA are busy organising it and ensuring it will be the event of the season. The proceeds will go to enhance the ICT provision for all our pupils.

Please see page 3 for more details.



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 mr.campion@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk

Income Related Free School Meals: freeschoolmeals@cheshireeast.gov.uk or visit website for further information
https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free_school_meals.aspx

Term dates for 23-24 and 24-25 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.

The PTA have Facebook for information Goostrey Community Primary School PTA
<https://www.facebook.com/GCPSPTA>

Gus Peake

Gus was a Sales Shark mascot with his team at Knutsford Rugby Club. Well done to Gus and everyone who participated, they all had a great time and were on ITV



Anvitha won 2nd prize in KS1 Instrumental (School years 1 – 2) by participating in Cheshire East Young Musician Of The Year 2024 competition that took place on Sunday 4th February at Sandbach School and was awarded a cash bursary of £20.



Special thanks to Jamie Dalzell who supported Anvitha with her piano lessons. We are so proud of Anvitha for all the hard-work that she put in for her first piano competition.

Please keep sending your child's achievements for the newsletter so we can celebrate them together.

We love knowing about what the pupils are doing both in and out of school. Items need to be received by midday on the Thursday for inclusion in Friday's newsletter. Thank you



Tickets are £60 and will be on sale 20th Feb (details to follow)

Tables available to purchase (10-12 people) as well as individual tickets.

Get your dancing shoes ready for a night of dancing, fun and laughter!

Tickets are limited for this much anticipated event!

RECYCLE 4 SCHOOL

Help raise funds for Goostrey PTA by having a half term clear out and turning your unwanted clothes into £'s

**Collection date:
Thursday 29th February**

Please drop your bags of recyclables at the bike stores at either the infants or juniors on the morning of the collection date



Items can be donated in the collection bags or any carrier/bin bags

WHAT WE WILL ACCEPT

 SHIRTS	 TROUSERS	 SHORTS	 T-SHIRTS	 JEANS
 JACKETS	 JUMPERS	 HOODIES	 POLO SHIRTS	 JOGGERS
 BAGS	 BELTS & TIES	 BOOTS	 HATS	 GLOVES
 SHOES	 TRAINERS	 CLEAN/NEW UNDERWEAR	 SKIRTS	 DRESSES
 VEST TOPS	 JEWELLRY	 SWIMWEAR	 LINGERIE	IF UNSURE AS TO WHETHER WE WILL ACCEPT YOUR ITEMS, GET IN TOUCH TO FIND OUT

WHAT WE WON'T ACCEPT

 RIPPED/STAINED	 SOCKS	 DIRTY UNDERWEAR	 BATH ROBES	 SLIPPERS
 PYJAMAS	 WORKWEAR	 UNIFORMS	 PRINTED ITEMS	 OLD FASHIONED

Key dates:

9th February Year 3 cake sale

WB 4th March Mother's Day shop .

8th March Film Night

WB 11th March Parent Appointments

22nd March Year 2 cake sale

THURSDAY 28TH MARCH SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR THE EASTER BREAK AND RETURNS MONDAY 15TH APRIL

Following the success of last year, the Rose Day committee is again organising a quiz to help raise funds for the big day which will be held on Saturday 29 June.

The quiz, which will be held in the village hall on Saturday 2 March, starting at 7.30pm, will feature teams of no more than six. The bar opens at 7pm. Tickets costing £5 per person are available from Peter Gomes: Tel 07867 798848, treasurer@goostreyrosefestival.co.uk

**The future
is ours to make**



Holmes Chapel Cricket Club
Girls Cricket (primary school age)
Free Taster Session
Monday 19th February
5.30-6.30pm
Holmes Chapel Comp Leisure Centre



To reserve your free place, complete the form via the QR code
Contact Paul Cudby with any questions - 07890052459

Have a birthday party or celebration coming up?

Cheshire Party Box provides everything you need to host a fabulous party – beautiful themes, tableware, crockery and decorations included.

Convenient

Better for the environment

High-quality

No more soggy paper plates!

Delivery and washing-up included

My daughter is in Year 4 at Goostrey CP and I'd love to give something back to the school this year.

For every booking made between now and 31st March, we'll give **20% of the party kit hire back to Goostrey CP**

PTA. This offer applies to all parties in 2024, provided you book and pay a small deposit of £15 by the end of March.

Please quote Goostrey CP when booking.

www.cheshirepartybox.com



Ain't no
party like a
no waste
party!

CHESHIRE
PARTY
BOX

Party Kit Hire



Decorations and bunting



Beautiful tableware



Themed table runners
and napkins

**Prices start
from £15**

Free delivery within **5 miles** of
Holmes Chapel

Various party themes available
- perfect for kids parties and other
celebrations

Helping you
host parties with
a conscience

Scan to view website



@cheshirepartybox
cheshirepartybox@gmail.com
07584856015

CHESHIRE
PARTY
BOX

Year 6 national tests and assessments will be ongoing throughout the summer term until the **end of June 2024**. It is vital that your child attends school for the whole of this period.

YEAR 6 SATS ARE WB 13TH MAY 2024 and the writing assessments are until the end of June.

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.

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@goostrey.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



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/>



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 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.



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/>



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>