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### School's phone number - 01270 918940

IF YOUR CHILD IS OFF SCHOOL DUE TO A POSITIVE PCR TEST, PLEASE LET THEIR TEACHER KNOW, IF YOU FEEL THEY ARE WELL ENOUGH TO RECEIVE REMOTE LEARNING. ONCE WE HEAR FROM YOU WE WILL PUT THIS IN PLACE WITHIN 24 HOURS OF A SCHOOL WORKING DAY.

### Dear Families.

We have had several families re-locate recently which means we can now offer places in some of our junior classes. If you know of anyone who may be interested in a place at our school please ask them to get in touch for a chat and arrange a visit.

We were delighted to welcome new members to the PTA Committee which met on Tuesday night and to start planning our normal calendar of fundraising events for this term. Our next meeting and AGM is on 2nd November at 7 pm in the Junior Hall—everyone is welcome. If you would like to get involved do contact Katie Saunders skatiejoel@aol.com and look out for information about events on Facebook class pages

We have three vacancies for parent governors, as current terms of office are ending. Families will receive an email today containing a letter and nomination form.

Year 3 will now be starting school at 8.55 with all the other junior children. Please keep some distance between you and other adults and leave as soon as possible once you have your child. Some parents have been concerned about the amount of adults around the school gate, feeling quite vulnerable when walking through.

We took part in the inter-school cross country last Monday—full report on page 4.

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.

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

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— 21 22

#### **Link to Digital Parenting magazine below:**

https://www.flipsnack.com/FA7569CC5A8/digital-parenting-by-vodafone-2021-edition/full-view.html

#### 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

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# Please pass on to anyone you think may be interested in a New Starters place for Reception class September 2022

We are looking to provide families with 3 opportunities to visit the infant department and begin to get to know our school, with a view to applying for a place for their child/ren for September 2022.

There will be 3 meet and greet sessions on Wednesday 29th September, Wednesday 6th October and Wednesday 13th October. All these sessions will be at 9 30 AM in the Sunshine Room, on the infant site. Under our COvid risk assessment only one family member per child will be welcome to join us, but we ask that a negative lateral flow test is taken prior to the meeting, and that masks are worn throughout. If you would like to attend one of these sessions please email <a href="mailto:mrs.carroll@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk">mrs.carroll@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk</a> to book a place, stating which date would be your preferred appointment. We have to limit numbers to each session and Mrs Carroll will reply to you to confirm if a place has been allocated for you. While we would love to welcome all prospective families on these dates, we ask that priority be given to families who do not already have children in the school.

We still have places available in some of our junior classes. If you know anyone who may be interested in one of these places, please ask them to ring school and I will be happy to arrange a meeting with them.

Thank you Miss Atkins



# **Cross Country**

On Monday 22 children from Year 3, 4,5 and 6 joined in the first, inter school sporting event of the school year, held at Holmes Chapel Comrehensive School. It was lovely to be back competing.

The Year 3 and 4 girls ran together and what a super race it was. All four runners came in looking good. Bethany finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and Emily A came in 6<sup>th</sup> and Tippi and Chloe completing in the top 25. Then it was the turn of the Year 3 and 4 boys. We had 7 boys running and they flew around the course, all coming in quickly one behind the other. Our top position in this race was achieved by Harry A who came in 5<sup>th</sup> with Zander, Aiden, Louis, Harry D, Freddie, Sydney and Noah all coming in the top 20.

In the Year 5 and 6 race we entered six boys and four girls. The girls set off first and handled the two laps of the course with ease. Kate came in 7<sup>th</sup>, Emily 8<sup>th</sup> and Rose and Maddie were nipping at their heels. Last up were the boys - Laurie, Daniel, Ollie, Henry, Beau and Elliott, who is in Year 3. (Elliott was unable to complete the Year 3 / 4 race, so he joined the older boys). This was an extremely fast paced race with Laurie dominating the lead all the way and finishing ahead of the pack. What a performance these boys gave the crowds! The Year 5 and 6 boys won the trophy having scored the lowest collective points in their group.

Thank you everyone for participating and for the parent support. It was a lovely afternoon.

Mrs Flint

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.

## **FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY TEAM**



# **PARENT WORKSHOPS**

Helping children manage worries and anxiety.

Visyon's Family and Community
Wellbeing Team are pleased to offer an
8-week Parent Workshop Programme
which will provide information, advice
and strategies to empower parents to
effectively support their children, with
their worries and anxieties.

The Programme is available for Families in Cheshire East and will be held at Visyon in Congleton. If you would like to book a place on the Programme, please contact lynne.fitton@visyon.org.uk, who will contact you with further details.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come basis.



# Parent Workshops - Helping children manage anxiety.

- 22/09/2021 Parenting problems and difficult behaviors.
- 29/09/2021 Securing the parent/child bond.
- 06/10/2021 Understanding your child's anxiety.
- 13/10/2021 Using praise and rewards to build confidence.
- 20/10/2021 Setting limits on anxious children's behavior.
- 03/11/2021 Managing children's worry.
- 10/11/2021 Managing difficult behavior.
- 17/11/2021 Review and celebration.

Each session will start at 5 pm and finish at 6.15 pm.





#### Visyon Parent/Carer Webinars – Sept-Dec 2021

Our Parent Webinars 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 living in Cheshire East.

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. The webinars are delivered by Laura Kerr (Wellbeing Team Leader) and Paula Duncan (Young Person's Counsellor)

The webinars are run on a rolling programme so some sessions coming up are repeats and others are new topics. We have received positive feedback from parents including:

"I have signed up to all your webinars as I think they're great and have made me realise more of my child's behaviour is likely anxiety related than I originally thought"

"The webinars have been really helpful to find out more about how the body and mind works and then working on strategies to help us cope."

The forthcoming webinars are:

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 9.30-10.30am – Understanding the Teenage Brain <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN</a> 9ZQgD9BLQJuwUkym9Dt04A

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021 9.30-10.30am - Building Resilience and Self Esteem https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN XjPRZF1 THucFaP6Sg4fZg

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021 9.30-10.30am - Managing Big Emotions <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN</a> oG0CwpPYT3vOSsxBTm6F9w

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 9.30-10.30am – The Science of Sleep (and how to improve it!) <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN-N0h9tVjoSvmBy9Ulcv1MoA">https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN-N0h9tVjoSvmBy9Ulcv1MoA</a>

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 9.30-10.30am – Sensory Processing \* New Topic\* https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN nmm-gOGQQ-04N ZZK0Vaw

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December 9.30-10.30am - Family Relationships \*New Topic\* https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN 3tS8cEN8TuGpJd41IrW29Q

Please click on the relevant link to register in advance for the webinar(s) you wish to attend.

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

We will have a recording available to send out after the event and will send this to all registrants. If you wish to only receive the recording please indicate this on the registration so we don't count you towards the numbers as the webinars have a limited capacity.

# Goosfest 2021 Visual Arts Open Studio



Visit artist Debbie Goldsmith at **Goostrey Station Studio Platform 1** Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd October open 13:00-16:00 **All welcome** 



# **Site Maintenance Vacancy**

Goostrey Community Primary School is looking for a reliable, conscientious Site Maintenance Officer, who will become part of a whole school team committed to providing an environment in which pupils are happy and safe.

Hours of work will be 2.5 hours per day from 7 30 to 10 00 AM, Monday – Friday, during term –time. During school holiday closures working hours may be altered to accommodate scheduled maintenance work as required, therefore an element of flexibility is required. 25 days paid annual leave during school holidays applies. The school operates split maintenance shifts; therefore handover communication with our afternoon post holder will be necessary.

For full details of the role, which will include;

general cleaning/small maintenance tasks unlocking the building security and compliance checks maintenance record keeping banking duties winter gritting

please contact our School Business Manager, Mrs Schurer-Lewis, admin@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk or call 01270 918940

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



JOB TITLE: Teaching Assistant – SEN support

GRADE: 4: 15 hours per week Monday to Friday mornings. (Grade 2 lunchtime duty supports this role 1 hour per day Monday - Friday)

JOB REF: AAAD5059

The successful candidate will be working in a school with high expectations and a dedicated staff. They will experience an excellent working environment with great adults and pupils around them.

The role of the Teaching Assistant will be 1-1 with a child in Y5, and therefore will be until August 2023 or when the pupil leaves the school. This child will be fully integrated with their class and the TA will work under the direct supervision of the class teacher. The successful candidate should also be able to develop their own initiative in a collaborative and mutually supportive environment.

The 1-1 support will support the teaching staff in the development and education of the child and will include:

using relevant expertise and communication techniques and implement learning activities and specific programmes

follow the teacher's planning and preparing learning experiences for the pupil positive behaviour management

ensuring learning objectives and individual learning targets are achieved – language development, classroom learning, social and emotional support, working and liaising with outside professional agencies

providing direct pupil assistance and adapting to their individual needs providing assessments of progress and developmental areas liaising with parents on a regular basis

supervising the pupil both in and out of the classroom – breaktimes , educational visits / residential visits

Above all this child will need someone with good common sense, who can be kind but firm and fair. Someone who will be part of a nurturing and caring team of adults with an established commitment to the inclusion ethos.

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# 27 November -5 December 2021

# IN GOOSTREY & HOLMES CHAPEL

We have two events planned locally for National Tree Week. A hedgerow and woodland to plant nr Swanwick Hall, and a return visit to Bidlea Dairy to plant a butterfly hedge. With over 2500 plants to plant we really need your help. Please join us at one, or hopefully both of these events. Please book an hour long slot via the Eventbrite Links below. Bring a spade, or trowl, and some elbow grease. All the plants are instruction are provided and all are welcome, there is no hard digging required.

The work that we have done over the last 4 years really is starting to make a difference to wildlife locally and just as importantly has been an inspiration to the many youngsters who have been involved.

We start at Bidlea Dairy on 27 November and have a second event at nr Swanwick Hall on 5 December.



https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/national-treeplanting-week-at-bidlea-dairytickets-169870963625













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.