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A much appreciated thank you to all our families for your support with Ofsted. The parent survey responses were excellent with 99% recommending the school. We should receive the full report by early June when I will share it with all our families.

Year 5 have been on their residential this week to Burwardsley. Thank you to Mr Champion for organising this visit and to Mrs Flint and Mrs Sant for accompanying him and the children. I am extremely grateful to all the staff who are willing to give up time with their own family and friends to give our children this opportunity.

PTA Summer Ball and Movie Night more details on page 3.

Dates for the first half of the summer term are on page 4.
Note for diary: Sports Day is Thursday May 21st 1.30pm
Reserve day is Thursday 4th June 1.30pm

HEALTH AND SAFETY REMINDER:

There are no school staff out on the junior playground supervising the pupils before the start of the school day. All pupils remain the responsibility of their family until 10 to 9 when the bell goes and the staff will come and collect their classes.

Weekly Attendance 23.3.2026

R 88.8%, Y1 97.9%, Y2 97.9%, Y3 94.8%, Y4 97.1%, Y5 95%, Y6 97.3%

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

SENCo mr.warhurst@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 25-26 and 26-27 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>

Thanks to everyone that took time out of their day to come and support **George** raising money. He has raised a total of £195 from selling Easter themed fidget toys. This money is going towards the Scouts trip to Kandersteg in the Summer.



Will achieved his level one swimming and he's very pleased about it!
Well done Will



Goostrey PTA presents
SUMMER BALL
TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Included in ticket price: **3 Course Meal**
Champagne Reception **Live Band**

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS & TABLES AVAILABLE
TABLES OF 10 - 12
£65 PER TICKET
JUNE 5, 2026
CRANAGE HALL
Tickets Available from:
Info@andrewDwood.co.uk
Shuttle bus & other information to follow

MOVIE NIGHT

TICKETS **£6**
INCLUDES BAG OF SWEETS

8th May 2026, 5.30pm Goostrey Scout Hut
PJS, BLANKETS & CUSHIONS
ENCOURAGED!
TICKETS ON SALE MON 27TH APRIL
Children in Reception must be accompanied by a paying parent
Adults & Children £6 each
Bring own water bottles

Key dates for the summer term

Wednesday 15th April to 17th April	Y5 residential visit
Wednesday 22nd April	Harding free dress day
Wednesday 22nd April	PTA 6pm The Crown
Thursday 23rd April	St George's Day—uniformed organisations can wear uniforms
Friday 24th April	Bingo
Monday 4th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 8th May	Film Night
Monday 11th May	Y6 SATs week
Friday 15th May	Cake Sale Y1
Thursday 21st May	Sports Day
Friday 22nd May	School finishes for May half term
Tuesday 2nd June	Pupils return



SEND 0-19 Advice sessions

SEND 0-19+ health practitioners (On behalf of health visitor/school nursing services Cheshire East) for parents of children & Young people for support, signposting and guidance with all SEND related issues and helping to understand why your child may be struggling and ideas that may help. Think your child may have SEND and not sure where to go or what to do? Need support around toileting, sleep, behaviour or development – feel free to book in for some advice. You will be seen on a 1-1 basis and there is no need to bring your child.

April 2026

Mon 13th April 9-11am Ash Grove Family Hub (appts only)
Tues 14th April 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre (appts only)
Thurs 16th April 9.15 -12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)
Friday 17th April 9-11am Knutsford Children's Centre (drop in)
Thurs 23rd April 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager
Tues 28th April 1-2.30pm Oakenclough Family Hub (appts only)

May 2026

Fri 1st May 9-11am Congleton Family Hub (appts only)
Fri 8th May 9-11am Knutsford Children's Centre (drop in)
Tues 12th May 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre (appts only)
Thurs 14th May 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager
Friday 15th May 9.30-11.00am Disley Library and Community Centre (drop in)
Monday 18th May 9-11am Ash Grove Family Hub (appts only)
Wed 20th May 10am-12noon Oakenclough Family Hub (Local offer live drop in)
Thurs 21st May 9.15-12.15 Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)
Fri 22nd May 9am-11am Congleton Family hub (appts only)

June 2026

Thurs 4th June 9.15-12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)
Friday 5th June 9am-11am Knutsford Children's Centre (drop in)
Monday 8th June 9-11am Ash Grove Family Hub (appts only)
Tuesday 16th June 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre (appts only)
Tuesday 16th June 1pm-2.30pm Oakenclough Family Hub (appts only)
Thurs 18th June 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager
Fri 19th June 9-11am Congleton Family Hub (appts only)

July 2026

Monday 6th July 9am-11am Ash Grove, Macclesfield Family Hub (appts only)
Thurs 9th July 9.15-12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)
Friday 10th July 9am – 11am Congleton Family hub (appts only)
Tuesday 14th July 9.15-12.15am Nantwich Children's Centre (appts only)
Thurs 16th July 1.30-4.30pm Wesley Place Methodist Church, Alsager

To book an appointment:

At Congleton, Ash Grove or Oakenclough email startforlifeforth@cheshireeast.gov.uk.

At Monks Coppenhall, Nantwich and Alsager call [01270 371240](tel:01270371240) or email startforlifesouth@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Venues and contact numbers

Wesley Place Methodist Church, 30 Lawton Rd, Alsager, ST7 2RU
Ash Grove Family Hub, Macclesfield, SK11 7TD Tel: 01625 374484
Congleton Family Hub, Congleton, CW12 3AH Tel: 01260 371061
Knutsford Children's Centre, Manor Park North, Knutsford, WA16 8DB
Monks Coppenhall SEND Centre of Excellence, Crewe, CW1 4LY Tel: 01270 371240
Nantwich Children's Centre, Nantwich, CW5 5GX Tel: 01270 371240
Oakenclough Family Hub, Wilmslow, SK9 2PZ Tel: 01625 374180

For future dates please see –

[Special Educational Needs and Disability \(SEND\) - drop-in sessions in Cheshire East - Wirral Community Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust](#)



GOOSTREY PARK
PROJECT PRESENTS

VILLAGE PICNIC

SUNDAY 10TH
MAY 2026
12 - 2PM

GOOSTREY
PLAYING FIELDS,
BOOTH BED LANE

FREE TO ATTEND!
ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN
TOMBOLA
'THE OLD COFFEE TRAILER'
WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE

BRING ALONG YOUR
PICNICS, BLANKETS,
CHAIRS...AND SUNSHINE!



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SUNDAY 10TH MAY 2026
12-2PM
GOOSTREY PLAYING FIELDS

TOMBOLA DONATIONS WANTED!

ALL DONATIONS, BIG OR SMALL, ARE
GREATLY APPRECIATED - FROM
CHOCOLATES AND TOILETRIES TO GIFT
ITEMS AND BOTTLES

PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS AT
18 WILLOW LANE, GOOSTREY
BY FRIDAY 1ST MAY.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING BRING OUR
COMMUNITY TOGETHER!



HELP BUILD SOMETHING SPECIAL




Our village has needed a park upgrade on Boothbed Lane for many years. We've secured significant funding, but we still need your support to bring the full vision to life. Community fundraising events and local business partnerships are coming soon. We're on our way to a better park — it will happen. Help us make it something special.

DONATE HERE >>>



For more information or to contact the Goostrey Park Project Committee visit our Facebook Page @goostreypark

Sip & Paint

Fundraising Evening



Friday 17 April • 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Goostrey Scout Hut

 **BYOB • Bring A Friend!** 
(each attendee requires their own ticket)

£32 per person

Fundraising for Goostrey Pre-School!!





CHILDREN'S TENNIS COACHING

Summer Term programme

FRIDAY AFTER-SCHOOL JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING CLASSES
FOR SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN



LTA Coach-led sessions at Booth Bed Lane Tennis Courts, Goostrey,
beginning Friday April 24th

Choice of three hour-long sessions:

4pm - 5pm

5pm - 6pm

6pm - 7pm

For details, email goostreytc@outlook.com
or message 07885 804246



ABSENCE REQUESTS (ATTENDANCE POLICY WTH FURTHER DETAILS IS ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE)

Frequently asked questions about holiday requests in term time.

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 School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 make clear that **Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence (holiday) during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances**
- The Head Teacher and Governing Board will determine what the exceptional circumstances are examples are in the Attendance Policy on the school website.

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—In some sensitive / personal cases it may be appropriate for the parent to explain the need for absence verbally with the headteacher.

What will the school do then?

- The Head Teacher will determine whether the exceptional circumstance ruling applies, if not the application will be declined—this will be on a case by case basis
 - o 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 will be followed.
 - o Our weekly newsletter informs parents 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

Penalty Notices may be issued for Term time leave:

Penalty Notice fines may be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notice may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at: £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at: £160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of ‘Failure to send a child to school’ the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500

Regular attendance is legally defined as attending every session of every day that a school is open. It means consistent, daily attendance rather than just "sufficiently frequent" attendance, with exceptions only for authorised absences like illness or prior school permission.

Impact of Attendance:

95% is the benchmark for good attendance, however 95% Attendance represents approximately 2 weeks of missed school, which can impact learning. **90% Attendance:** Represents 19 days (4 weeks) of missed school. **Persistent Absence:** Missing 10% or more of school is generally considered persistent absence, which significantly affects academic achievement.

IF A FAMILY GOES ON HOLIDAY IN TERM TIME SCHOOL WILL NOT PROVIDE ANY WORK FOR THE PUPILS. TIME OUT OF SCHOOL, FOR A HOLIDAY WILL RESULT IN THE CHILD/REN MISSING TEACHING AND LEARNING AND THEY MAY FIND IT CHALLENGING TO CATCH UP WITH THEIR PEERS ON THEIR RETURN.

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.



Keep up to date with PTA news and events on our social media pages:



goostrey_primary_school_pta



Goostrey Community Primary School PTA

<https://www.facebook.com/GCPSPTA>

GUIDE TO OUR APP FOR PARENTS & CARERS

School Spider allows you to receive and return information directly to and from the school. Receive instant messages, complete surveys, book your parents' evenings and make payments.

Select your school to get started!

LOGGING IN

Once you have selected the school, you will see posts from the school website. Click parent dashboard to login or create an account. Create an account by pressing "create account" and enter your email address. You must have your email linked with the school

TAKE A LOOK AROUND

See all action items on your dashboard

Click to respond or book for each child

Click the envelope to see your recent messages

Click these 3 lines to:
- Switch between areas
- Edit your profile
- Logout

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Goostrey All Stars
After School Club

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.

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 local clinical network has devised a website where they have put all of the organisations nationally and locally that support children and families that are neurodiverse
[Neurodiversity support pathway - NHS Cheshire and Merseyside](#)

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



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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. **This is rising to £4.50 per session from September 2026.** The club operates on each school day, from 8.00 AM to 8.50 AM. Please note no food is served at this club.

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>