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Our South African visitors arrive next week David, Anelo, Zoey, Karida, Shane, Adley, Amber and Beaunn. We can't wait to welcome these children and their staff members, Ms Dames, Ms Kotse and Mr Cloete
A big thank you to all our host families and to our staff, especially Mrs Saxton for all the hard work making this trip happen.

Thank you to all the PTA members for all their hard work organising the Summer Ball.
It was a fun event with an excellent band—a great community event for our school.

PTA events next week:
Father's Day Shop Monday
Movie Night Friday
See page 3 for more details

Well done to our Y1 children for doing so well in their Phonics assessments this week and to our Y4 pupils who had their multiplication national tests. A huge thank you to all the staff for preparing them so well, this showed in the children's confidence and determination to do the best they could.
We had an external assessor in for the Phonics to check that we were carrying out the test properly and following all the statutory guidance. All boxes were ticked and no concerns or follow up actions—brilliant.

Weekly Attendance w/c 1.6.2026

R 96.8%, Y1 96.6%, Y2 94.2%, Y3 96.1%, Y4 99.2%, **Y5 100%**, Y6 89.4%

Before and after school clubs : booking forms available on school website

http://www.goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/48433

School uniform official suppliers - other options are available, please see the school website for more information.

www.myschoolstyle.com/school/goostrey or Sam Dales Holmes Chapel .

SENCo mr.warhurst@goostrey.cheshire.sch.uk Mental Health Lead mrs.cowell@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

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The PTA have Facebook for information Goostrey Community Primary School PTA

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

Year 5 and 6 Cricket on Wednesday 5th June

This tournament was rescheduled due to the rain in March and we thought it would not go ahead again due to the bad weather this week. It did start raining heavily as the games started but then thankfully blew over.

The team played Brereton first and the game was fast paced and exciting. Brereton was smashing the ball all over the place and we had a high run rate to chase. We did a fine job of batting and not losing too many wickets and eventually come out tops winning by 12 points. Final totals were Brereton 257 points and we achieved 269.

Our second game was against Hermitage and this was another super entertaining game. Hermitage took the win with 247 points against our 218. I observed many brilliant fielding moments with great communication between the players. Catching and throwing skills were superb and you could see how the children were working as a team to get the ball back to the wickets in every attempt to get the opposition out.

Our third and final game was against Lower Peover. We won this game with 263 points to their 202. The team had got into a rhythm and their fielding was slick. Thank you to Tilly, **Lucy, Iris, Seth, Lucas, Will, Ben and Jay** for their commitment and sportsmanship. I enjoyed a lovely afternoon with them all.

Mrs Flint

Well done to Artie (Y3) for his Player of the Season award at Hartford. He's played with determination and spirit, and scored some really great goals.



SHOPPING DAYS START
MONDAY 15TH JUNE

FATHER'S Day SHOP

GIFTS PRICED FROM £1 TO £5

Children will have the opportunity during the school day to visit our pop up gift shop to buy gifts for the special people in their lives

Please bring money in a named envelope/purse
Don't forget a bag to bring the gifts home!

my hero

BEST DAD EVER

Please be advised that the movie has a PG rating

MOVIE NIGHT

TICKETS £6
INCLUDES A BAG OF SWEETS

19th June 2026, 5.30pm Goostrey Scout Hut
PJS, BLANKETS & CUSHIONS
ENCOURAGED!
TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY 8TH JUNE

Children in Reception must be accompanied by a paying parent
Adults & Children £6 each

Key dates for the summer term

WB Monday 15th June	Father's Day Shop
Tuesday 16th June	SA visitors arrive
Friday 19th June	Film Night
Friday 26th June	Cake Sale R
Monday 29th June	SA visitors leave
Friday 3rd July	Y6 residential
Monday 6th July	Swimming pool arrives
Monday 13th July	Pupil reports come out. Teachers will be available Thursday 16th July 3.30 to 5pm for any families who wish to come in and discuss the reports.
Friday 17th July	Leavers' Assembly for Y6 families 2pm Village Hall School closes for the summer break



SUMMER PONY EXPERIENCES

**RIDING - HOBBY HORSEING - THROUGH JULY:
GROOMING - LEADING -
BARREL RACING**

saturday 18th
thursday 23rd
thursday 30th



THROUGH AUGUST:

saturday 1st
thursday 6th
thursday 13th
saturday 15th
thursday 20th
thursday 27th
saturday 29th

SATURDAYS

1PM - 3PM

THURSDAYS

10AM - 12PM

£30 PER PERSON

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SUMMER PONY DAYS

THROUGH JULY:

tuesday 21st : HORSEMANSHIP
thursday 23rd : NORMAL
friday 24th : GYMKHANA
tuesday 28th : GYMKHANA
thursday 30th : HORSEMANSHIP
friday 31st : NORMAL



THROUGH AUGUST:

tuesday 4th : SHOWJUMPING
thursday 6th : DRESSAGE
friday 7th : CROSS COUNTRY
tuesday 11th : GYMKHANA
thursday 13th : HORSEMANSHIP
friday 14th : NORMAL
tuesday 18th : KNOWLEDGE OF THE HORSE
thursday 20th : GYMKHANA
friday 21st : NORMAL
tuesday 25th : SHOWJUMPING
thursday 27th : DRESSAGE
friday 28th : CROSS COUNTRY

THROUGH SEPTEMBER:

tuesday 1st : GYMKHANA
thursday 3rd : NORMAL

£60pp

For ages 7+

9:30 - 4pm

Please call to enquire

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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



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<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.

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

Uniform can now also be purchased from Sam Dales in Holmes Chapel.

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>



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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.