

Issue No 7 - 9th December 2022

Each week, on a Friday, year group news will be shared with families on Teams or Tapestry so that you can share your child's learning with them.

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****Don't forget to check your child's Year Group Teams page regularly for the latest curriculum updates ****

Dates for your diaries

For all upcoming events and activities, please look at the school [Calendar](#) on the Goosewell website.

Tuesday 13/12/22	Reception nativity - Main Hall - 9.15am (please wait outside the main gate)
Wed 14/12/22 2pm & 6pm	Y5/6 Carol Concert at St Mary's Church - more details to follow
Thursday 15/12/22	Christmas Party day - wear your festive mufti to school Christmas dinner day
Friday 16/12/22	Last day of term 2. School uniform please
Monday 2/1/23	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3/1/23	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 4/1/23	First day of Term 3
Friday 13/1/23 9am	2K Family Assembly Drama Hall (entry via back of Drama Hall Furzehatt Villas)
Friday 20/1/23 POSTPONED	3N Family Assembly POSTPONED until 17/3/23
Friday 27/1/23	1T Family Assembly Drama Hall (entry via back of Drama Hall Furzehatt Villas)



Jo Penk - Parent Support Advisor

The [PSA](#) section of the Goosewell Academy website has information on ideas, support and activities for families. This week, you can find information on:

- [Plymouth Information Advice & Support for SEND October 2022](#)
- [Plymouth Information Advice & Support for SEND - Choosing a Primary School for children with SEND](#)
- [Plymouth Young Carers Newsletter November 2022](#)
- [On Course South West FREE Adult Multiply Courses for improving numeracy skills](#)
- [Money Advice Plymouth](#)
- [The Annual Childcare Parents Survey - for parents/carers of all children aged 0-14 in Plymouth](#)
- [Veterans & Family Hub Newsletter](#)
- [Kinship Carers in Plymouth](#)

Your children can also use the [Worry Box](#) link if they have a worry that they would like some help with. By clicking on the link, Mrs Penk can talk to your child about their worry and together they can work out how to make that worry shrink. Click [PSA](#) to keep informed of all the most recent updates from [Plymouth Information Advice & Support for SEND](#) and [Routeways](#).

Updated Term Dates

Due to the King's Coronation in May 2023, the government has approved an additional Bank Holiday on Monday 8th May 2023. Please see the link to updated term dates below [here](#)

Clubs

All clubs have now finished for the term. Please check your emails and texts next week for term 3 clubs. As communicated in Mrs Thorne's clubs letter in term 1, we can only accommodate twenty children per club. Once your child has attended a club, they will not be able to attend a second until everyone else has had an opportunity to sign up, and you will only receive the sign up email/text if your child is yet to attend a club.



Christmas at Goosewell

It has been wonderful to share the start of our Christmas celebrations with so many of our families this week.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our beautiful Christmas tree lighting on 1st December and our 'Stay and Play' event last Friday - what lovely festive times we have shared with you already. It was wonderful to see all the children and staff in their Christmas jumpers, raising funds for St Luke's Hospice yesterday, thank you for your kind donations at this time of the year. Thank you too, to all the families who joined Key Stage 1 for their special Christingle service at St Mary's Church this week, and well done to Jack and Jill's nursery for their wonderful nativity show on Wednesday.

The celebrations continue & we are looking forward to:

- 13th December - Reception Nativity, Main Hall at 9.15am
- 14th December - Upper Key Stage 2 Christmas Celebration 2pm & 6pm
- 15th December - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Party Day (festive mufti)
- 16th December - Last day of term, school uniform

Goosewell's Christmas Cards 2022

As in previous years, this year, we are encouraging our Goosewell Primary Academy families to make a small donation to our JustGiving page in place of exchanging Christmas cards at school. As a school community, we have been personally touched by the kindness and care given by Children's Hospice South West's Little Harbour Hospice, and we would like to support them to be able to continue to provide this service to other South West families in their time of need. If you feel able to donate, any small amount will really make a difference to this precious charity.

[Donate to Children's Hospice South West via this link.](#)

Lions Club of Plymouth

Last week, we were delighted to welcome George Poad and Gill Scott from the wonderful Lions Club of Plymouth to present a cheque to the school for £200. This kind donation will go towards supporting our families here at Goosewell over the Christmas break and we are very grateful to the Lions Club for thinking of our families here at Goosewell Primary Academy. Thank you too Mrs Penk for her work with the Lions Club.



Meet Goosewell's current 'Sporting Champions' based on PE in Term 2...	
RWH	Aria demonstrates super graceful dance movements and has creative ideas.
REH	Preston is a talented footballer and an amazing sportsperson. He helps others and is a super team player.
10C	Essa impresses us in our PE sessions with his excellent listening and his amazing balancing skills! He is also an expert at controlling a ball.
1T	Oliver shows good skill and determination. He always supports his teammates and encourages others with his kindness and positivity.
2MB	Maisie is always smiling and loves taking part in all sporting activities!
2K	Oakley enjoys playing all sports and is a great team player.
2P	Eden impresses in all sporting activities, always showing super focus, determination and sportsmanship!
3G	Max has a smile on his face during every PE lesson. His enthusiasm and support to his peers is fantastic!
3N	Niamh always impresses with her sporting abilities in all lessons, particularly with her ball handling skills!
4C	Eli is an able sports person who has demonstrated incredible speed and agility during games sessions.
4L	Emily has shown a great level of skill across many sports - what a talented superstar!
5C	Iona engages in all sporting activities with the biggest smile on her face and is a great team player.
5Y	Rhys always works collaboratively with his peers and he has a great sporting attitude.
6RT	James impresses in all sporting activities showing great strength and stamina. Most recently, receiving an award for his running achievements.
6WS	Mason is confident and enthusiastic in PE lessons; he is a great team player and always actively encourages his classmates.
6T	Betsy is a fantastic runner and shows good co-ordination, but – more importantly – she has a wonderful sporting attitude and supports others.



Celebration Assembly:

Goosewell Primary Academy's Rise to Greatness, Writing, Maths & Reading Awards

Here are this week's winners collecting their Rise to Greatness, Writing, Maths and Reading awards in each phase, with our Reading award winners able to choose a winning book from our new book vending machine. Well done to the following children for receiving their well deserved awards this week:

W/E 02/12/22	Reception	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Maths Award	Lola L RWH <i>For amazing number formation to 5.</i>	Reuben M 1T <i>For amazing number knowledge. Reuben always explains his ideas using fantastic mathematical reasoning and is always quick to spot patterns in number.</i>	Edith E 3G <i>For increasing her own self-confidence in her maths skills and believing in herself - it is making such a difference. Keep it up!</i>	Elliot T 5C <i>Elliot scored 50/55 marks in his Puma paper this week. He is incredibly supportive to his peers in maths lessons and should feel proud of his achievements in Maths.</i>
Writing Award	Scarlett H REH <i>For applying her phonics well when building words in writing.</i>	Leyton W 2MB <i>For amazing effort with his handwriting and presentation. He is also independently using capital letters and full stops.</i>	Jason W 4C <i>For an incredible score on his GAPS test. He has demonstrated a great understanding of punctuation, grammar and spelling. Terrific effort!</i>	Pixie 5C <i>Pixie has made so much progress in the GAPS assessments this week. Her standardised score has increased from 94 to 1071.</i>
Reading Award <i>Books kindly donated by FROGS (formerly Goosewell PTA)</i>	Jack W RWH <i>For trying very hard to 'Fred talk' CVC words.</i>	Dana S 1OC <i>For always trying her best with reading. Dana is always keen and enthusiastic and has lots of lovely answers when we discuss what is happening in a story.</i>	Lily D 3N <i>For having the top word count in her class - an amazing 110.021 words....keep on reading!</i>	Owen H 6T <i>Owen has made incredible progress in his reading skills and has proven this by increasing his score by 15 scaled points since September!</i>

This week's **Rise to Greatness Award** was awarded to:

Ashton P 6WS

Many congratulations to Ashton who, this week, was graded in his Martial Arts and awarded a Black Belt. It is very rare for a 10 year old to become a black belt and this demonstrates his commitment and perseverance to the sport that he started when he was 4. Well done Ashton, what an amazing achievement, we're all very proud of you.



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Maths Award	Adda F REH <i>For enjoying Maths in a range of contexts and sharing her learning at home.</i>	Ben G 1OC <i>For super confident use of the part, part, whole model. Ben is so quick at knowing what number is missing and is a great mathematical role model for the class.</i>	Nyah S 3G <i>For her endeavour, tenacity and increased confidence to show her knowledge by answering questions out loud in class - keep it up Nyah!</i>	Luis W 6WS <i>Luis is an able mathematician and showed exceptional reasoning skills during recent assessment scoring 70/70 in the reasoning papers. Well done Luis.</i>
Writing Award	Carter R RWH <i>For trying very hard with letter formation and making improvements.</i>	Isaac W 2P <i>For creative sentences using lots of interesting vocab.</i>	Pennie P 4L <i>For being a masterful poet. Her imaginative ideas were really creative and produced a lovely poem. A gifted poet - well done!</i>	Lauran P 6RT <i>For an emotional rags to riches story with great vocabulary choices.</i>
Reading Award <i>Books kindly donated by FROGS (formerly Goosewell PTA)</i>	Jacob D REH <i>For retelling stories with passion and in an entertaining way.</i>	Imogen K 2K <i>For showing excellent understanding of what she has read and always being enthusiastic in reading lessons.</i>	Arya B 3N <i>For her different interpretations of the word 'fear' and using this knowledge to help build her understanding of our story Kraig and the Beast.</i>	Jenson H 5C <i>For making great progress in reading and I was incredibly proud of the progress made in his recent Pira paper. He is close to exceeding his total word count from the end of Year 4 already!</i>

