

Issue No 13 - 10th February 2023

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.

NEW NEW NEW please look at the new [Useful Dates](#) section of the school website ***NEW NEW NEW***

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| 13.02.23 - 17.02.23 | Term Break |
| 20.02.23 | First day of term 4 |
| 21.2.23 4.30pm | Y6 SATs talk for parents/carers (entry via main gate, then Y6 classroom doors) |
| 22.02.23 | Scout's Founders Day - squirrels, beavers, cubs, scouts, rainbows, brownies, guides uniform day |
| 22.02.23 & 23.02.23 | Reception - Y5 Parents Consultations |
| 21.02.23 & 22.02.23 | 2K Parents Consultations |
| 28.02.23 | Y4 multiplication workshop for parents - <i>details to follow</i> |
| 01.03.23 | Y6 Parents Consultations |
| 03.03.23 9.00am | 4LC Family Assembly, Drama Hall (entry via back of Drama Hall, Furzehatt Villas) |
| 10.03.23 9.00am | 1OC Family Assembly, Drama Hall (entry via back of Drama Hall, Furzehatt Villas) |
| 17.03.23 9.00am | 3C (3N) Family Assembly, Drama Hall (entry via back of Drama Hall, Furzehatt Villas) |



Reminders

Library Books

If you having a tidy up or clear out of bedrooms over the half term break and find any library books, please drop them back in to school after half term. They can easily be identified by the stickers on the spine, and stamps inside the front covers. We know that we have some books missing at the moment - particularly books from favourite book series.

Year 4 & Year 6 Residential

If your child is attending the Year 4 London Residential or the Year 6 PGL Residential, please be aware that the final dates for payments via Eduspot/SchoolMoney are:

Year 4 London Residential - final payment due 10th March 2023

Year 6 PGL Residential - final payment due 20th March 2023

Reception—Year 5 Parents Consultations

Parents consultations for Reception to Year 5 are scheduled for 22nd and 23rd February (21st and 22nd February for 2K only). Please book an appointment with your child's teacher using the e-Schools (school website) login. Please contact the school office if you are having difficulties with your login details. Bookings will close at 9.15am on Tuesday 21st February.

Eat Them to Defeat Them

After the term break, we will be participating in the Eat Them to Defeat Them campaign, encouraging children to eat more vegetables. Look out for the TV advertisements and find out more at eatthemtodefeatthem.com. Leaflets will be sent home with your child at the beginning of next term.

Founder's Day - 22nd February 2023

Calling all cubs, scouts, squirrels, rainbows, brownies, guides, and beavers...

Scouts Founder's Day is on February 22nd, and it honours Lord Baden-Powell and his wife, Olave, the first Chief Girl Guide. Scouts Founder's Day is known as Founders Day throughout the world and it's a time for Scouts and Guides think about their promises they have made and remember how Scouting's century-old values are still important in today's fast-paced world.

But it isn't just Scouts and Guides. If you are a squirrel, cub, scout, rainbow, brownie, guide or beaver, this day is for you too! Usually, Scouts Founders Day falls within half term but this year we will be back in school. To celebrate, you are invited to wear your uniform instead of school uniform for this special Scouts Founders Day!



Reminders

Pupil Attendance

Why good attendance matters

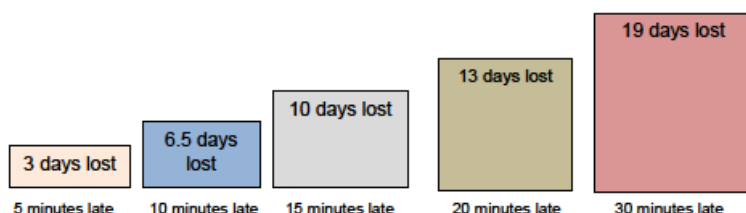
Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. The aim should be to attend 100% of the time.

Students who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and do less well in exams. Good attendance also shows potential employers that a young person is reliable.

Research suggests that students who attend school regularly could also be at less risk of getting involved in antisocial behaviour or crime. Below is a table showing how children's percentage attendance equates to the amount of school time missed.

| Attendance during one school year | Equivalent Days | Equivalent Sessions | Equivalent Weeks | Equivalent Lessons Missed |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 95% | 9 Days | 18 Sessions | 2 Weeks | 54 Lessons |
| 90% | 19 Days | 38 Sessions | 4 Weeks | 114 Lessons |
| 85% | 29 Days | 58 Sessions | 6 Weeks | 174 Lessons |
| 80% | 38 Days | 72 Sessions | 8 Weeks | 228 Lessons |
| 75% | 48 Days | 96 Sessions | 10 Weeks | 288 Lessons |
| 70% | 57 Days | 114 Sessions | 11.5 Weeks | 342 Lessons |
| 65% | 67 Days | 134 Sessions | 13.5 Weeks | 402 Lessons |

It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. Below is a graph showing how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time over one academic year.



17 days absent from school a year could mean a drop in a GCSE grade in all subjects!

Attendance w/e 10/02/23

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| REH | 92.42% |
| RWH | 83.6% |
| 1OC | 94.67% |
| 1T | 100% |
| 2KB | 97.1% |
| 2MB | 92% |
| 2P | 95.37% |
| 3GB | 89.23% |
| 3N | 93.97% |
| 4LB | 91.4% |
| 4W | 97.32% |
| 5C | 94.43% |
| 5Y | 96.73% |
| 6RT | 95.17% |
| 6T | 98.22% |
| 6WS | 96.3% |

Jo Penk - Parent Support Advisor

The [PSA](#) section of the Goosewell Academy website has information on ideas, support and activities for families. If you are a military family and you have a **family member who is currently deployed**, please ensure that we have the deployed family member's email address on our records so that you can keep up to date with email communications sent from the school. You will also find the school website a useful source of information whilst you are away, particularly the 'News' section to keep you in the loop.



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 10/02/23 | Reception | Key Stage 1 | Lower Key Stage 2 | Upper Key Stage 2 |
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| Maths Award | Augustin H RWH <i>For his love of problem solving and his logical approach.</i> | William S 2MB <i>For brilliant quick calculations in class and for an amazing score in his latest test. You were even quicker than Mrs Boalch the other day! Well done you Maths magician!</i> | Max W 3G <i>For amazing focus and fantastic results in our latest arithmetic test. Keep up the good work Max!</i> | Catherine K 6T <i>For superb perseverance in maths and consequently making excellent progress and achieving the expected standard in her most recent mock SAT.</i> |
| Writing Award | Tommy P REH <i>For beautifully presented sentences about a penguin.</i> | Rex P 1T <i>For an amazing recount about his trip to the Tamar Bridge. Rex remembered to include some wonderful adjectives and join sentences with conjunctions.</i> | Poppy C 4C <i>For working so hard on improving her handwriting and producing an excellent persuasive letter.</i> | Isaac S 5Y <i>Isaac has written an informative travel guide about China, which includes all of the features of a non-chronological report.</i> |
| Reading Award <i>Books kindly donated by FROGS (formerly Goosewell PTA)</i> | Adda F REH <i>For being able to read signs, her friend's names and items in the world around her.</i> | Addison R 1T <i>For making huge progress in your knowledge of sounds. This has given you lots of confidence! Addison has worked extremely hard this whole term and has an amazing attitude!</i> | Benjamin W 4LC <i>For persevering with his reading and making immense progress by reading over 20,000 words this term</i> | Jasmin H 6S <i>Jasmine has shown huge progress in her latest reading assessment and has been trying diligently in lessons to use perfectly detailed full answers. Well done, Jasmine.</i> |

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

Dexter O-T 4W

Dexter has shown amazing resilience in the Hub and is trying so hard to manage his distractions. He has come in smiling every day this week, is trying so hard with his writing and is loving playtimes - what a star!

Attendance:

EYFS - REH (92.4%)
KS1 - 1T (100%)
LKS2 - 4WC (97.3%)
UKS2 - 6T (98.2%)

House Points:

1. **Puffin** - 792
2. **Kingfisher** - 745
3. **Pelican** - 621
4. **Shearwater** - 498



Sport at Goosewell Primary Academy:

| Meet Goosewell's current 'Sporting Champions' based on PE in Term 3... | |
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| RWH | Carter loves sport and is a super role model for others. |
| REH | Scarlett has shown impressive throwing and catching skills. |
| 1OC | Elsa has wowed us with her gymnastics this term. She is graceful, controls her body well and listens carefully. Well done Elsa! |
| 1T | Skye has shown good skill and control during our gymnastics sessions. She listens carefully to feedback and works hard to use this to improve. |
| 2MB | Domitille has impressed us by joining in our dance lessons with happiness, enthusiasm and creativity. Fantastic! |
| 2K | Scarlett has some amazing dance skills and has made some really interesting body shapes in our recent dance learning. |
| 2P | Hunter always gives 100% effort in PE, showing his commitment, determination and super balance! |
| 3G | Skyla is a natural leader who shares her ideas, organises her team and helps them to work collaboratively. |
| 3C | Naya consistently impresses with her continued effort and her talent during PE and all of the curriculum. |
| 4C | Oscar shows great precision in a range of activities and always perseveres. |
| 4L | Theo demonstrates a great understanding in how apply the skills he has been taught in defending games. |
| 5C | Erin thoroughly enjoys our PE and Games sessions and works well both independently and as part of a team. Well done Erin! |
| 5Y | Jude is an excellent team player and always shows brilliant sportsmanship in PE lessons. |
| 6RT | Isla has been engaged and enthusiastic in all PE but particularly gym; it is great to see her being able to show the class her skill level. |
| 6WS | Laycee has been engaged and enthusiastic in all PE and Games lessons this term; it is great to see her enjoy herself so much. |
| 6T | Samara works hard in games sessions. She has a good level of fitness and can play invasion games tactically. |



Term 3 at Goosewell Primary Academy:

It has been wonderful to return to a term full of fascinating visitors, sunny school visits to interesting places and plenty of sports participation across the local area. We're looking forward to more of this to come in Term 4.



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