



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

The start of term has started well with the children coming back to school looking refreshed, smart and tucked in! All teachers are pleased with how their classes have responded in their learning and trust their children's enthusiasm and keenness to learn will last until July!

We will be sending home the dates for the whole year early next week. Please read and keep these to help you plan for the school events. We will of course let you know of any changes that arise and of course any additional events.

We welcome all our lovely Foundation Stage who have started school and haven't they done well. Unlike previous years, the children have all started full time from the first full week and the teachers feel they have started to make new friends and settled to their new surroundings and routines very well.

In Foundation Stage, we welcome: FHB: Connor, Gracie, Seth, Joey, Luke, Joseph, Emily, Summer, Jax, Danny, Jack, Jayden, Binta, Nate, Holly, Harry, Shaya, Regan, Spirit, Darcie, Emilee, Patrick, Eli, Sadie, Millie, Eleanor, Oscar, Lydia, Harrison, Tommy. FWH: Emily-Rose, Harrison, Lily, Darcy, Rocco, Guilhem, Elliot, Eloise, Katie, Amelia, Ethan, Ronny, Logan, Nicolas, Mason, Morris, Olivia, Emelia, Sophie, Ocean, Ellen, Dexter, Seb, Pennie, Harper, Luke, Layla, Robert, Nathaniel and Skye.

We also welcome the following children and their families to Goosewell from other schools:
1B: Ruby, Noah, Thomas and Elliott, 1NH: Lyra, Jemima-Leigh and Daniel, 1/2K Leighton, 2KW: Erin, 3O Marguerite, 3T: Charlotte, 4JG: Kyle, 4M: Ava Grace, 5DH: Bethany, Myleigh, Daisy and Chase, 6R: Jean and 6C Tommy.

We also welcome Mr Griggs to our school and trust his time teaching in Year 4 will be enjoyable and rewarding for him and his children.

Have a great weekend,
John M Stephens
Headteacher

Dates for your diaries

SEPTEMBER

Monday 17th

Year 6 Bikeability Monday-Thursday
4.45-5.30pm Welcome to Year 4 and London Visit meeting in the Main Hall

Tuesday 18th

9.30-10.45am Open Day for prospective Foundation Stage parents
3.20-4.15pm Running Club starts Years 4-6
4.45-5.30pm Welcome to Year 3 meeting in the Main Hall

Thursday 20th

4.45-5.30pm Welcome to Year 5 meeting in the Main Hall

Monday 24th

Individual/family group photos
Clubs start this week

Tuesday 25th

Individual/family group photos
6.00-6.45pm Foundation Stage reading, phonics and number skills workshop for parents/carers.

Wednesday 26th

12.30pm Year 3 family lunch

Thursday 27th

Cross Country at Plymbridge

Open Days for prospective Foundation Stage parents

If your child is due to start school in September 2019, you are invited to our Open Days on:

Tuesday 18th September

9.30am—10.45am

Thursday 15th November

9.30am-10.45am

No need to book -
we look forward to seeing you on the day.

Music Lessons

Music Lessons will start from next week for Key Stage 2.

- ⇒ Monday/Thursday - Guitars
- ⇒ Monday - Keyboard
- ⇒ Tuesday - Violin
- ⇒ Thursday - Woodwind



You will shortly be receiving a text with payment details, and the first instalment of £60.00 will be due immediately. The children will be given their music lesson times by their class teachers on Monday. Please bring guitars this Monday for lessons this week. Thank you.

School Lunches... a hello from School Cook

Just a quick reminder for any families that have a child with food allergies or special requirements, could you please make the school kitchen aware of any changes of information or extra needs that your child may have via the school office, or by talking to me directly. We have also been informed by CaterEd, our school lunch provider, that school lunches have increased by 10p and will now cost £2.20 per day, or £11.00 per week for Key Stage 2. Universal Free School Meals still apply for Foundation Stage and Key Stage One children.

One to One Reading Club

We have been really grateful over the past few years to the parents, grandparents, former students at secondary schools and members of the local community for coming into school each week to listen to our younger children read. Do you or a member of your family have a spare two hours in the afternoon?

Would you like to help a child improve their reading skills? If the answer is yes, then please get in touch with Mrs Nicholls at Goosewell as our Year 1 and Year 2 children would love to read with you. We desperately need volunteers to listen to and support KS1 children with their reading, on Monday to Thursday afternoons from 2.00pm to 3.00pm. Books, brief training and security checks will be provided. Your time with us will give children the valuable opportunity to improve their reading skills through daily practise and we have found that the grown ups enjoy it as much as the children do! Please contact Mrs Nicholls, Assistant Headteacher on 482960 to register your interest.



Year Group Pages

Information about your child's year group is always available on the school website. Here you will find details about homework, topics, PE/Games kits and staff [click here](#)

PE Kits

Would you please ensure that your child has their PE kit at school everyday - a list of full kit can be found on the school website or by clicking [here](#)



PSA News

Don't forget to look at the PSA section of the Goosewell Academy website, for information on clubs, support and activities for families throughout the year. You can find further details by clicking here [PSA](#)

Do you like to sing? Do you like to have fun with friends?
Are you aged between 4 and 18? Is someone in your family in the Armed Forces or a Veteran?
Come and join
The Military Kids Choir



The Military Kids Choir is part of MKC Heroes. We meet on Wednesdays, in Plymouth Guildhall, from 5pm to 6pm, to sing together and have fun as a team. We perform at events all over Plymouth and help charities to raise money, especially the Royal British Legion. The choir is free to join and parents/carers can drop you off for practices or can stay for tea or coffee whilst you are having fun. (All staff have DBS Checks)

To find out more, contact MKC Heroes by emailing mkcheroes@btinternet.com or call Heather at MKC Heroes on 01752 307485 or 01752 779657

You can also join us by coming to our first autumn practice on September Weds 19th 2018.



