

Rise To Greatness

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# This week's year group news...

**Reception** Has the end come already? You have been a delight from the moment you arrived on your first day in the middle of a thunderstorm right up until the end of the school year amid a heatwave. You have made us smile, made us proud, made us laugh and now you have made us shed a tear because we have to say goodbye. We know that you will continue to thrive in Year 1 because you are all such

hungry and enthusiastic learners. Have a wonderful Summer and lots of family fun and please give us a wave or come and visit us in Reception whenever you like!

### Find your Reception Year Group Page Here

**Year 1** What a fantastic year it has been! We are so proud of how all of the children have grown and progressed throughout year 1. Thank you for all your support this year. We asked some of the children for their favourite memories this year...

"I liked the dinosaur poo, we saw that one was a herbivore and one was a carnivore."

"Forest school was so much fun!"

"I liked the picnic in the park. It was a long walk though!"

"Remember when you were the Victorian teacher? You were so scary!"

"I liked our Queen's tea party! You were the Queen!"

"We went on a tour bus around London on the whiteboard, that was so much fun, I saw Big Ben."

We have had so much fun this year. Lastly, we would like to say a huge thank you and goodbye to Mrs Florey. We have loved having her as part of Year 1 and wish her well in her new school. Have a wonderful summer everyone!

## Find your Year 1 Group Page Here

Year 2 Wow! what a hot and exciting couple of weeks we've had! Churchwood was an amazing trip with the children all fully engaged in each activity and what an end to a busy and productive year in year 2. Highlights for the children were the huge nets, giant rope swing, cooking yummy pancakes and wooden necklace making. In maths we've continued to have fun measuring. We've measured ingredients and made biscuits. We've also explored capacity using the water tray which has been a blessing this week in the heat and great fun too! We've predicted, measured and compared. In English we have completed our final big writing task of the year creating an information text about different kinds of houses and homes. Our last week's mission has been a design and technology task of making a bright and colourful beach hut. It's been great fun.

Can we please say a huge thank you to you for your continued support this year. It's been the children's first complete year in school and although we've continued to face certain challenges, we hope they've enjoyed it as much as we have. We wish the children good luck on their move upstairs and into Key Stage 2. They are ready for a new challenge and we know they'll love it. Have a wonderful summer break everyone.

The Year 2 team- Miss Merriman, Mrs Kimberlee, Mrs Boalch and Miss Woolley















## More year group news...

Year 3 What a year we have enjoyed together. We have met a variety of inspirational people who have visited us this year. We met a Jewish lady who told us all about the religion of Judaism. We met a real geologist who taught us about the rocks and geography around us in Devon. One of our favourite visitors brought several animals in for us to learn about. We ended our year with a great and very hot trip to the Mountbatten water sports centre. We learnt to row a bell boat, how to hold and fire arrows during archery and team work during an orienteering activity. The Year 3 staff have all enjoyed getting to know and work with you and your families. We have appreciated your continued support. Good luck in Year 4 and enjoy your summer break.

Year 3 Team - Mrs Yates, Mrs Oak, Miss Senior, Mrs Frankham, Mrs Fookes, Mrs Phillips, Mrs Longley and Mrs Penk.

#### Find your Year 3 Group Page Here

**Year 4** The rollercoaster ride that was Year 4 is coming to end and the children have experienced so many things and learnt so much from a massive range of topics. From understanding the animal world and the predators that seek their prey, to the meandering rivers that cut through our world; the children have responded brilliantly to all of the learning opportunities presented. Our final term involved Ancient Civilisations and Year 4 extended traditional subject coverage of Ancient Egypt to include Ancient Sumer and the Indus Valley too. But the highlight of the year has to have been the unique experience that our capital city offered us all, London was amazing! From the coach journey to gazing at the Queen's palace to enjoying Matilda – what a trip! And what a trip this year has been. But all good things must come to an end, as they say! And these young children are no longer so young as they head to the upper school and Year 5. So, we must say goodbye and thank your children for making it such a great year. Thank you for all your support offered at home and we hope that you all have a relaxing, enjoyable summer break.

Mrs Goudie, Mr Leader and Miss Wentworth

#### Find your Year 4 Group Page Here

Year 5 We cannot believe that the end of the year is upon us! We have enjoyed teaching, supporting, celebrating, challenging and entertaining your children throughout this academic year. We ended on a high with a fantastic trip to Swanpool Beach last Friday. The children all thoroughly enjoyed the day from the very early start to the late finish and we had a lot of fun in between. We were really proud of the children's behaviour, determination and support for each other plus the fact that we did not use a single sick bowl!! The final week in Year 5 has been incredibly creative with moving monsters using pneumatic systems, biomes, Lego Robotics and tasting, peeling, chopping and grating vegetables as part of our Eat the Seasons topic. Thank you for all of your support throughout the year. We hope that you all have a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing the children progress as they return to Year 6.

#### Find your Year 5 Group Page Here

**Year 6** Wow! What a fantastic year it has been. Our wonderful Year 6 children have continually impressed us with their mature work ethic, zest for learning and super behaviour. They excelled themselves in the SATs, challenged themselves on residential and surpassed themselves in the production of The Lion King. They certainly have earned some down time this week during which they have been chilling with their friends, having extra field time and getting their shirts and books signed by staff and peers. We really will miss these Year 6 superstars, but they are definitely ready for pastures new. Have an amazing summer and good luck at secondary, Year 6!

#### Find your Year 6 Group Page Here















## **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 08/07/22

Reception

Key Stage 1

Lower Key Stage 2

Upper Key Stage 2

Maths Award

Blake M RWH

For being able to find creative ways to make number totals.

Layla C 1BC

For always trying hard and for having a good go at telling the time to an hour.

Cobi D 4L

For a stunning week of learning on money. Cobi was rich, full of ideas and was super confident in sharing them with his classmates. This was his most successful week of mathematics since the start of the year - show me the money, Cobi!

Jessica M 6WS

For exceptional progress and achievement in her maths SAT paper. Jessica's confidence in maths has improved greatly this year and all her hard work paid off! Well done, Jessica.

Writing Award

Alexis H REH

applied well in independent activity Dalton J 2MB

For beautiful handwriting For excellent sentence writing and super use of his phonics for spelling.

Katie F 3OC

For her amazing imaginative ideas in writing. She has such a natural flair pulled from all the fantastic books she reads. Keep up the good work, Katie!

Grace B 6T

This young lady's writing has been a pleasure to read all year. She uses superb vocabulary and figurative language to enhance descriptions. Her writing is well structured and she manipulates sentence structure and length for effect as well as applying advanced punctuation consistently. She is a true greater depth Year 6 writer. Well done.

Reading Award

Books kindly donated by FROGS (formerly Goosewell PTA)

Essa K REH

For massive improvement For recently developing a

Alexander W 1T

in using 'Fred talk' to read positive attitude to reading. We are seeing more effort in phonics and a new love for reading developing.

Summer W 4W

For her enthusiastic reading a fantastic thirst for new vocabulary. This has helped her achieve a really positive PIRA assessment score - well donel

Annabelle F 6S

For incredible progress and achievement in her Reading SATs paper. All year she has worked hard to achieve the EXS standard and she finally found it! I couldn't be prouder. Your hard work has certainly paid off, well done!

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

All of Year 6

For such dedication and talent in their final Year 6 production of 'The Lion King'.















## This week's highlights & reminders



To all families with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2,

I just wanted to share with you how extremely pleased we are with the children's progress in their phonics again this year. Their hard work and determination have really paid off. 89% of our Year 1 children passed their phonics screen check in June and our termly assessments have again been really pleasing. A huge well done to all involved at home and at school.

To continue on this amazing journey throughout the summer break, we need your full support in helping your children to read and share books at home as often as possible. I am well aware of what it is like over holiday time, but please don't stop reading and sharing books. The Plymouth Libraries provide a great summer reading challenge for children of all ages to have a go at and are lovely places to go and chill out with a book.

If you are keen to help your child improve their phonic knowledge, please remember our Goosewell YouTube channel has phonic lessons for all of the RWI group colours. If your child is in the A/B or Ditty group, they would need to look at Red groups films.

Goosewell YouTube KS1 Phonics Playlist and Read Write Inc eBooks

Ruth Miskin's website is also helpful and you can find a wealth of phonic knowledge on there.

Thank you for all of your continued support this year. Have a wonderful summer break when it arrives. If you have any RWI queries or concerns, please email me on <a href="mailto:kcombe@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk">kcombe@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk</a> and I will do my best to support you.

Kind regards and best wishes, Mrs K Coombe.

#### School Lunches 2022-23 Price Increase

With effect from 5th September 2022, our school meal provider CaterEd has confirmed that school lunches will increase by 20 pence to £2.40. This is the first increase since 2018. Please see letter from CaterEd here.

# **Plymouth Libraries Summer Reading Challenge 2022**

Something VERY exciting is going to be happening in Plymouth Libraries this summer! From Saturday 16th July you can sign up to the Summer Reading Challenge in any Plymouth Library. Find out more on the Plymouth Libraries website:

<u>Gadgeteers Summer Reading Challenge 2022</u> or by speaking to staff in your local library.

















## This week's highlights and reminders **Parent Support Advisor - Jo Penk**

Don't forget to look at the PSA section of the Goosewell Academy website, for information on ideas, support and activities for families, particularly over the summer break. Your children can 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 when we return in September. Click PSA to keep informed of all the most recent updates from Plymouth Information Advice & Support for SEND and Routeways, as well as details on activities and support throughout the summer break. Click on the flyers below for further details of activities.















Tuesday

Messy play 16th Aug - 10 - 11.30 The Barn

Wednesday

Crafts with Oncourse Various dates & venue see information page Baby Massage 5 wks - 28/7- 25/8 rownlands 10 - 11.30 PLEASE BOOK Buggy walk 11th & 25th Aug lannamead W Hub - 10 - 11 see info page







Try these Facebook links for advice and ideas for entertaining your children over the summer break:

**Ideas for Summer** 

More ideas for Summer















## This week's highlights & reminders

## Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bookmark, donated by FROGS

Earlier this week, your child will have come home with a purple leather bookmark in recognition of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year. These bookmarks were kindly donated by the school PTA, FROGS (Friends of Goosewell School) to ensure that every child received a momento of this special event. In order to provide impromptu gifts for the children throughout the year, as well as books for the book vending machine and subsidising trips or transport costs, FROGS need your support to fundraise throughout the year. If you would be interested in meeting other parents/families to plan events, or could volunteer some of your time at FROGS events, FROGS would be delighted to hear from you. Why not join the Friends of Goosewell (FROGS) Facebook group, to find out more:



FROGS Facebook Group

## The Gosling Trust—Mr Michael Eastel

Our breakfast/afterschool/holiday club provision has been extremely privileged to be overseen by a team of dedicated Trustees over the years. Mr Michael Eastel has been involved with Goosewell for a number of years and has spent the last 27 years as a Trustee of The Gosling Trust, ensuring the out of school provision is available for children in our community. However, this summer we will be waving a fond farewell to Mike who is now stepping down from his duties to spend some more time with his wife, Mrs Anne Eastel who we also said goodbye to last summer. We wish Mike, and Anne, all the very best and thank them both sincerely for their dedication to the children of Goosewell and The Gosling Trust.

#### **Fond Farewells**

At our Celebration Assembly this morning, we said a fond farewell and thank you to a number of staff who have worked with us over the past year. We will be very sad to see them go, but wish them well as they all move on to pastures new. Goodbye, good luck and thank you to Mrs Florey, Mrs Bridson, Mrs Sayers and Mrs Lagor. Mrs Lagor will be leaving us to spend more time with her family after a truly inspirational 29 years at Goosewell Primary Academy. She has worked closely with a number of children, who have benefitted from her kind and nurturing nature over the years, and we wish Mrs Lagor a very happy retirement. Good luck too to Mrs Struben who left us temporarily last week, to finally put her feet up (in a heatwave!) and await the arrival of her little one. We can't wait to hear news of the pitter patter of tiny feet!

# **Reminders for September**

- **Uniform** please can you ensure that your child's belongings and uniform are **clearly labelled**. It makes it so much easier to reunite lost items if names are on them!
- Water bottles please can you ensure that your child brings a named water bottle to school every day.
- **PE Kits** as the introduction of wearing PE/Games kits to school on the appropriate PE/Games days has been so successful, we will continue this into the next academic year. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct kit (<u>PE Kit</u>) on the correct days. You will be notified of year group PE/Games days at the beginning of the term and will be able to find reminders on the school website year pages (<u>Year Groups</u>)
- Dates the whole school returns on Wednesday 7th September 2022, with our new Reception intake joining us on: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 9am to 11am, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 9am to 11.45am and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 9am to 12.45pm to include lunch. They will then start full time on Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> September.















## This week's highlights

### Year 6 #Classof2022

I am especially proud of our Year 6 children and their achievements throughout the past year. Before lockdown, this cohort of Year 6 children had worked extremely hard to consolidate their learning and that focus did not wain as learning moved first online and then back to traditional learning again last September. No doubt, that dedication and focus will put them in an advantageous position as they start secondary school and all of us at Goosewell wish them the very best for their future; great things are sure to come!

Sending our best wishes and fond farewells to the following children as they move on to their next stage in life:

Faith Zayne Malie Sophie Charlotte Saskia Eleanor Henry Annabelle Max James Jack Max Joshua Ava Evie POPPY Cleo Bethany Elena Jayden Spencer Thomas Maksym Leo Anthony Sophie Lauren Alexander Rose Matthew

Inaya Aniela Huey Charlotte Grace Lola Billy Jackson Tilly Maizy Harrison Oliver Benjamin Ruby Ted Jessica Kaya Cayden Carter Mason James Mia Abigail Lillie Temiloluwa Jack Oliver George Amelie Amber Isla

Chace Marguerite Harvey Belle Trei Sienna Mailys Alessio Max Leilani Amelia Florence Kobe Jessica Charlotte Isabelle Mya Harry Jack Mia Chase Henry Jake Noah Evie Phoebe Evelyn Eddy Herbie

Gabriella

Goodbye & Good Luck Year 6

Dylan



















We hope that you have a wonderful summer, and we look forward to welcoming all children and families back on Wednesday 7th September 2022.













