

## Issue No 27 - 19th May 2022

### This week's year group news...

**Reception** Is it really the final week of Term 5? Where has the time gone? Having explored Australian culture and nature, this week will see us looking at Transport as we turn to the lovely book, 'Mrs Armitage on wheels' by Quentin Blake to enhance our learning. The children will look at the different uses of a range of transport and will sort into air vehicles/land vehicles and sea vehicles. They will explore how designs of cars, trains and farm machinery have changed over the years. There will be STEM activities including exploring air powered cars and forces. Thank you if your children have bought in eggshells! In case you are wondering what these are for – we have planted some sunflower seeds and apparently, the eggshells are a natural way to keep the slugs and snails from munching on them. So far, it's working! Our caterpillars are changing rapidly, and the children may have told you that we have some cocoons. Hopefully next week, we will see some beautiful caterpillars emerge. Fingers crossed that we could watch one whilst it is doing this. Have a lovely weekend all.

[Find your Reception Year Group Page Here](#)

**Year 1** What a wonderfully creative week we have had. Fully embracing our inner artists, we have completed our own class murals. Gaining inspiration from James Rizzi and the famous buildings around Plymouth we worked together to include everyone's ideas. We even added form using the cardboard layering technique. In English we have been looking at an information leaflet about a school. We have been identifying different features used for a leaflet. We have been extending our sentences using a range of conjunctions and practicing spelling different contractions in our writing. In maths we have been working with 2-digit numbers. We have been investigating place value, building different numbers with a range of equipment. Remember if you haven't already to have a look on MyMaths for weekly maths activities to complete at home. With the extremely changeable weather please remember to bring a coat to school every day. We do try to get out at playtime and lunchtimes for some fresh air, even if there is light rain. Have a lovely weekend.

[Find your Year 1 Group Page Here](#)

**Year 2** What a week! We have been blown away by the effort, enthusiasm and resilience that everyone has shown this week and have been impressed by the knowledge and skills that children have applied during their tests! Everyone deserves a huge well done! Not only have we completed our SATS but we have also produced some superb flower inspired art learning including using printing techniques, sketching, modelling with paper and working with dough. Next week, we will resume normal learning and will be focussing on the text 'The Little Seed' by Eric Carle to inspire our non-fiction writing. We will also begin our position and direction learning in Maths where we will be describing the position of objects and shapes and thinking about how we can describe when an object moves on a grid. Our project learning will continue to explore coastlines and we will be thinking about the physical and human features of the coastline.

[Find your Year 2 Group Page Here](#)



## More year group news...

**Year 3** What will Year 3 be up to in our final week of Term 5? We are still enjoying finding out more about the ancient Romans and how they invaded Britain. In Maths, we will be finishing our learning on finding fractions of amounts and move onto telling the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and to. We will also explore days, months and years. We would appreciate it if you could also help with 'time-telling' at home. In Reading, we will continue reading 'The Goose Guards' and will get to find out the ending to this Roman fictional tale. In Writing, we will be planning and writing a set of instructions based on the book 'Roman Soldier's Handbook'. Many thanks for your continued hard work and support

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**Year 4** With all the practice and modelling complete, Year 4 will be researching the age-old question - 'How did the Egyptians build the pyramids?' Once their research has helped them answer this puzzle, the children will then use the skills they have learnt last week to write their very own explanation text. They will be expected to explain clearly using technical vocabulary and illustrations or diagrams. All will be revealed soon...! In maths we will be moving on to symmetry, recognising symmetrical figures and continuing shapes and patterns on a grid using a mirror line. We will continue to increase our subject-specific vocabulary in reading lessons which will help us in our topic lessons when we learn about life in Ancient Sumer including the emergence of writing and inventions such as the wheel. In science we will be sorting magnetic and non-magnetic materials and learning all about the aurora borealis. At the end of the unit, we will enjoy a fun Kahoot team quiz game to test our knowledge. Watch out parents if you are attending 4G's family assembly at 9am on Friday in the drama hall as you may be asked to participate!

[Find your Year 4 Group Page Here](#)

**Year 5** The end of Term 5 is nearly upon us so please remember to support your child in completing their Topic homework, which is due next week. This week, we have started a non-fiction block where we are going to be writing a tour guide for Mrs Wilson, who would like us to help her know what to do when she is in China over the summer holiday. In our Reading lessons, we are reading a text called 'Why Did the Shang Write on Turtles?' this will enable us to retrieve information from non-fiction and identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning. In Maths, we are learning how to measure and draw angles using protractors. We are also learning how to calculate angles on a straight line, around a point and in a triangle. In RE this week, we have been reflecting on the value of love and what love means to us. The children have written some beautiful poems, which we are going to display in the corridor. Can your child remember the content of their poem to share with you?

## Rise To Greatness

[Find your Year 5 Group Page Here](#)

**Year 6** Wow! What a wet, wild (and windy) week the Year 6 children have had, starting with an amazing residential in Newquay and ending with swimming lessons at the Life Centre. The staff have loved spending time with the children in a different environment and have been impressed with their perseverance and willingness to step out of their comfort zones. Elemental instructors commented on how polite the Goosewell children are. Now we are back in school, auditions for The Lion King will take place early next week so please support your child in preparing for their audition piece if they want a speaking role. We will audition all children on the same sections of the play which we will send home over the weekend. We aim to allocate main roles before half term so the children have plenty of time to begin learning their lines. Have a lovely weekend.



## This week's highlights & 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. 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 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](#).

## Military Kids Club

Our Military Kids Club noticeboard is growing by the week! We have a lovely frame of full of our special people - if you would like to send in a photo of your child's special person, we would love to display it. We can also set one of our clocks to the local time of the country they might be in at the moment.



## Naval Children's Charity - free books

The Naval Children's Charity have produced two beautifully illustrated storybooks for younger children to help them understand and cope with periods of separation they experience. These are sent out free of charge. To get a copy of any of the book please email [book@navalchildrenscharity.org.uk](mailto:book@navalchildrenscharity.org.uk) specifying which book you would like and your name and address. You can also [click](#) here for more details.



Plymouth Argyle Community Trust will be running Whitsun half term roadshows. To find out more details [Plymouth Argyle Community Trust](#)



## Netball Camp

May Half Term



**Venue:** Old Plymouth College Prep School at the Millfields  
We will be using the sports hall for skills and the outside court for match play in the sun.

**Date:** Monday 30th May  
**Time:** 10am-3pm  
**Age Groups:** Yrs. 5, 6 & 7  
**Cost:** £20

*This half term come and improve your Netball skills, knowledge and have some fun on our 1 day Netball Camp?*

If you'd like to sign up please send an email to [claireharing2015@gmail.com](mailto:claireharing2015@gmail.com) for more information.

### What to Expect?

#### Attacking Workshop

- Attacking Tools
- Creating Space
- Centre Pass Tactics
- Partner Work

#### Defensive Workshop

Marking, Denying Space, Zoning



## 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:

	Reception	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
<b>Maths Award</b>	<b>Skye K RWH</b> <i>For her enthusiasm for number and keenness to solve problems.</i>	<b>Harley G-B 1BC</b> <i>For developing his independence and confidence to work alone. He has been working really hard this week and we have seen great progress as a result.</i>	<b>Emily D 3Y</b> <i>Has impressed Mrs Yates with how she never gives up in maths and is never put off when she gets calculations wrong - this just makes her more determined. What a great maths attitude!</i>	<b>Vlad S 5C</b> <i>This week, we have been measuring and drawing angles and Vlad has used his protractor with ease to measure and draw angles accurately. He can also confidently calculate missing angles on a straight line and around a point.</i>
<b>Writing Award</b>	<b>Arlo D REH</b> <i>For determination when writing independently. He asks for the best from himself.</i>	<b>Alex W 1F</b> <i>He wrote a fantastic story but has started to edit his work to improve it even more. He has also worked really hard on neat handwriting</i>	<b>Holly K 3OC</b> <i>When Mrs Carr and Mrs Oak read Holly's Cold Write based on the story of Romulus and Remus, they didn't think she could impress them much more...but she proved them wrong because fast forward two weeks later and it was even more incredible! It was filled with impressive figurative language, correct use of speech and filled with humour and wit! Well done, Holly! An author in the making!</i>	<b>Henry C 5N</b> <i>Henry has spent the whole year persevering to better his writing and has been focusing greatly on his handwriting and presentation. His perseverance has paid off and he recently proudly achieved his pen licence. In addition to this, Henry always puts 110% into what he is writing, this week he has produced the most beautifully written paragraph on things to do in Plymstock and has included a wide range of cohesive devices to make it flow brilliantly. Amazing work, Henry!</i>
<b>Reading Award</b> <i>Books kindly donated by FROGS (formerly Goosewell PTA)</i>	<b>Seb D REH</b> <i>For reading so much at home and looking at challenging texts.</i>	<b>Jasmine Hewins 2MB</b> <i>For an exceptional score in her reading SAT this week. We are super impressed.</i>	<b>Tillyana A 4G</b> <i>For a superb effort towards her reading. After disappointment with her STAR reader quiz in September, Tillyana has made a huge effort to read regularly and has increased her reading level dramatically, now being able to read books up to 5.6! Well done Tilly!</i>	<b>Georgia W 5KR</b> <i>Has become a double millionaire having read and tested on 2 million words on AR! An incredible achievement!</i>

This week's **Rise to Greatness Award** go to:

**Every Year 2 Pupil!**

All of our wonderful Year 2 children have been awarded this week's Rise to Greatness Award for showing maturity and trying super hard with their SATs this week. Well done Year 2!







## Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at Goosewell

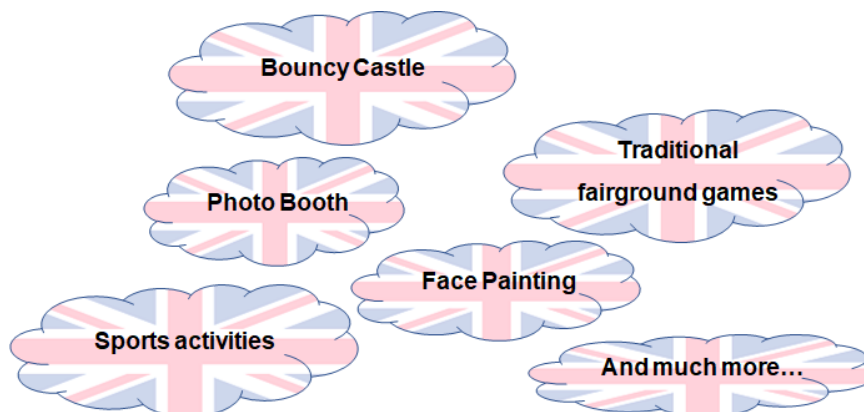


As communicated to you earlier this week, on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May**, we will be holding a Jubilee Garden Party to celebrate 70 years of our Queen, Elizabeth II. As you will be aware, this is a celebration that we are all only likely to see once in our lifetime, so we would like this to be a memorable experience for all of our children.

On the day, children can wear red, white and blue **mufti** or dress as a member of the Royal family. Throughout the morning, each class will participate in a range of exciting activities linked to the Jubilee for our children to learn more about this historic occasion. Then, we will join together as a school to enjoy our Jubilee Garden party on the school field.

You have already received information about our **Picnic Lunch**, which the children will enjoy on the field during a break in activities.

Activities will include:



We wish to make this an exciting event for our children to remember so in order to facilitate this, we would like to request a voluntary donation of **£2 per child** towards the day's activities (this will also cover mufti). Please make your donations via SchoolMoney/Eduspot (we are unable to accept cash donations, thank you).

Finally, look out for our tribute to the Queen, which will be displayed by the main road for everyone within the local community to admire.

