

The Newsletter of Goosewell Academy

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Year Group News

Foundation Stage

Next week in Foundation stage we will be learning about and sharing information all about pets. The children will be writing about pets in class and we will be sharing lots of different stories on the same theme. If you have any photographs that your children would like to share with us please send them into school in a named envelope. Outside, we have our veterinary practice opening where the children can take their pets for check ups and to get well again. In Phonics we will be writing simple and extended sentences and also be finding 'real' and 'monster' words. There are lots of lovely photographs on Tapestry for you to see. Please keep checking and we love to read your comments.

Year 1

Next week in Year 1 we will be continuing exploring the story of Little Red Riding Hood. Children will have the opportunity to be mini news reporters and will be able to ask the characters questions. In Maths, we will be continuing our work on multiplication. Children will be using arrays to help them to solve problems. In Science, we will be planting our very own seeds.

Year 2

Next week in Year 2 we will be thinking about the Big Bad Wolf and writing Wanted! posters to find this terrifying beast! We will be preparing for our arithmetic paper on Wednesday 8th May and then practising our reasoning skills. In the afternoons we will:

- be fascinated to see how our beans are growing in our air gardens and writing a diary to show how they have grown,
- be active in our games and activities sessions.
- ⇒ be amazed at the facts we find out about how plants grow when reading books from our wonderful library.

Year 3

Next week, Year 3 will be investigating rocks in our local area for our Science topic. In Maths, we will be adding and subtracting fractions. As we continue to read our class text 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', we will be writing letters to Mr Wonka, telling him all about the chocolate bar we have designed for our homework. In Art, we will be creating a pencil sketch and water colour painting of a Dartmoor landscape.

Year 4

Thank you to everyone who came to watch and support the children performing their maypole dance this week. In Literacy, we will be delving deeper into 'The Suitcase Kid' by Jacqueline Wilson, empathising with Andy the main character and creating our own stories for Radish. In Maths, we are continuing with decimals learning how to order and round numbers with up to two decimals places and looking at halves and quarters. 4JG are looking forward to their family assembly on Friday; we hope to see lots of you there!

Year 5

In Year 5 next week, we shall be studying the short stories of Shaun Tan. By the end of the week, the children will have written their own imaginative adaptation of No Other Country - a story with a strange twist. In Maths, we are moving on to adding and subtracting whole numbers and decimals, as well as understanding decimal sequences.

Year 6

In Literacy, we will be drafting and writing an extended a story using 'Alma' as our inspiration. We will be incorporating effective description to develop character and setting and applying techniques to create atmosphere. We will also be reading and analysing texts and revising key grammar terms in preparation for SATs week. In maths, we will be revising key areas identified in the recent assessments. We would encourage your child to discuss with you and revise any areas that may cause them concern.

Next week's virtue is......

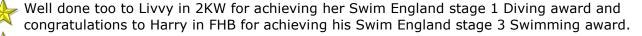
Self-discipline

Correction or regulation of oneself for the sake of improvement.



Pupil Successes

Well done to Isabelle in 1/2K for achieving her British Gymnastics award for level 4 and to Alex in 2KW for achieving his level 7 British Gymnastics award.



Congratulations to Finn 5MT, Matthew 5MT, Sammy 5L, Tom 5L and Alfie 5DH who all play for Morley Rangers Under 10s and won their cup final match at Tavistock last week.

Well done to Isabel in 6C for coming fourth in a dance competition in Southampton and winning a trophy for her participation. Good luck Isabel in the next round of the national competition which will be taking place later this year.

An amazing well done too to Lauren in 4M and Robyn in 2BH for bravely cutting their hair and kindly donating it to the Little Princess Trust. Thank you for your kindness girls.

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Golden Book for week ending 26th April 2019 FHB Shaya-Louise for such improved phonics.

FWH Emilia for making much better behaviour choices.

1B Elliot for writing his holiday news independently using time connectives.

1NH Jenson for always trying his best in all his learning with such a positive attitude.

1/2K Isabella for settling in well at Goosewell and using her phonics to sound out.

2BH Elise for fantastic effort in increasing the quality and quantity of her writing.

2KW Jensen for super increase in writing effort. Great quality and quantity.

Politeness Award

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1B Beatrix for always being polite, helpful and friendly to everyone.

Hub Coffee and Chat Time

All welcome to join Clare Phillips and the Hub team for a coffee and chat next Wednesday 8th May 2019 at 1.30pm-2.30pm. Please sign in at reception on arrival.



The Senior Leadership Team

As of next week there will be two members of the Senior Leadership Team on the playgrounds before school starts every morning; Jo Penk, our Parent Support Adviser will, at times, also be out with the team. The SLT and the PSA are there for you. If you have any questions, concerns or would just like to say hello, please do not hesitate in approaching them.

The SLT are:

James Gentile - Headteacher Sharon Soper - Deputy Headteacher Marc Leader - Assistant Headteacher Britta Nicholls - Assistant Headteacher Julie Mills - SENCO Laura Clarke - Literacy Lead Laura Warren - Maths Lead Eva Hanlon - EYFS Lead



Term 4 attendance for all classes.

It's so lovely to see great attendance across all the year groups. Special well done to 2KW for reaching the highest of them all with 97.9%. Please keep up the good attendance as this will enhance your learning journey.

Attendance Certificates

Children will be happy to know that we will be reintroducing termly attendance certificates for all children who achieve over 98.0% in a term. All children who gained 100% or above 98.0% in term 4 will received their certificate next week. This is a great way for us to celebrate your child's attendance.

| Term 4 Attendance | |
|-------------------|-------|
| 2KW | 97.9% |
| 5L | 97.7% |
| 3Y | 97.6% |
| 5DH | 97.2% |
| 30 | 96.9% |
| 1NH | 96.9% |
| 6S | 96.7% |
| 1/2K | 96.7% |
| 4JG | 96.4% |
| 1B | 96.3% |
| 6C | 96.3% |
| 4M | 96.1% |
| 2BH | 96.0% |
| 5MT | 95.1% |
| 3T | 94.9% |
| 6R | 94.2% |
| FHB | 93.6% |
| 4LG | 92.9% |
| FWH | 92.7% |

Parent Support Adviser News from Jo Penk

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



Dates for your diaries

Monday 6th May Bank Holiday Tuesday 7th

Clubs start this week

Wednesday 8th

Hub Parents Coffee and Chat Drop-in

Friday 10th

4JG Family Assembly in the Main Hall 2.30pm-3.00pm

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May

Year 6 SATs week

Tuesday 14th

FHB Family School Lunch at 12.15pm

Wednesday 15th

Year 5 Family School Lunch at 12.30pm

Thursday 16th

FWH Family School Lunch at 12.15pm

Friday 17th

5MT Family Assembly in the Main Hall 2.30pm-3.00pm

Sunday 19th

Plymouth Schools' Half Marathon Challenge

Tuesday 21st

Plymouth Schools' Tag Rugby Festival

Thursday 23rd

Year 3 visit to Clip 'n' Climb

End of Term 5

Friday 24th

Non Pupil Day for staff training

Future dates:

Thursday 23rd May Friday 24th May Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May Monday 3rd June Wednesday 24th July Last Day of Term 5 for children Non Pupil Day for staff training Whitsun break First day of Term 6 Last Day of Term 6 for children