

The Newsletter of Goosewell Academy

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Year Group News

Foundation Stage

Next week in Foundation stage, we will continue to explore the theme of transport and travel with the children designing and making maps and vehicles, writing postcards and exploring more of the adventures of 'Mrs Armitage', who created a very strange bike! They will be challenged to use 'Numicon' shapes to build a vehicle and write an accompanying sum. Phonics will focus on the sounds, 'oi', 'air' and 'ear' with the children learning the sound and practising forming the letters that build the grapheme. Keep reading and mark making at home and sharing your adventures on TAPESTRY- it is fantastic to share the progress that your little ones are making!!

Year 1

Year 1 will be continuing to read, plan and write their own Alien stories in literacy, based on the Aliens love Underpants book linked to our Explorers and Space history unit. In maths, the children will be starting their learning about measures and will be estimating and measuring the lengths and heights of a variety of objects. As part of **World Book Day** on **Thursday**, **7th March**, not only will the children be dressing up as a well-known book character, they will also be reading and sharing their own ideas based on the book 'Oi Frog!' By Kes Gray.

Year 2

Next week we will be continuing to explore fractions of amounts and equivalent fractions. We will be writing our own versions of Mrs Armitage on wheels as well as looking at different books for World Book day. As part of our Explorers theme we will be finding out about Christopher Columbus and his adventures.

Year 3

Year 3 are looking forward to learning more about the story 'The Jamie Drake Equation', and are going to write their own alien/space themed story across the week. The children will learn more facts about plants in Science. Please remind children to keep watering their plant and helping it to grow at home! World Book Day will be an exciting day, where children will dress up as their favourite book character. In Maths, we are carrying on looking at Length and Perimeter.

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

Creativity

The ability to make things or think of new ideas.

Year 4

We are all well rested after our half term break and have moved on to our electricity topic this term. We have been learning about games which use electrical circuits and have thought about how to stay safe around electricity. In literacy, we have been looking at texts by Anthony Browne and have written setting descriptions based on 'Voices in the Park.' In maths we have been adding and subtracting fractions. Next week on 6th, it is our family lunch if you are free to join us!

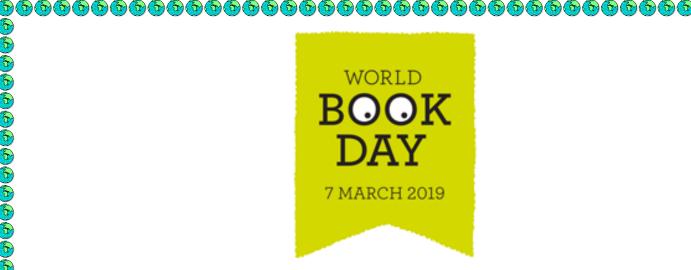
Year 5

Next week, Year 5 will be multiplying fractions by integers. Children will be shown a variety of visual and concrete strategies to solve their calculations. In literacy, we will be continuing our work on Treasure Island, focusing on setting descriptions. We are also looking forward to 5DH's class assembly on Friday.

Year 6

Next week in Maths, we are focusing on algebra and the relationship between area and perimeter. We will also be identifying shape properties and nets. In Literacy, the children will be writing Non-Chronological reports, based on our Marine iguana model from this week. Thank you for your continued support in completing the SAT buster homework tasks. Next week, the children need to complete Test 4 in their Maths and Reading books.

Also, a reminder that we have a parent's SATs meeting at 5pm in the Main Hall on Wednesday 6th March.



World Book Day 2019 at Goosewell Academy

We will be celebrating World Book Day 2019 at Goosewell this

Thursday 7th March. There will be a range of activities happening throughout the day including dressing up as a favourite or well known book character for the day. You may like to come to school in full book character dress up or equally wear an accessory that a book character is known for. Will you be a Charlie Bucket, or a Hetty Feather or maybe a Hungry Caterpillar? Whoever you choose to be, charity shops and costumes made up from your own clothes at home can help to create some fantastic costumes - please don't feel that you need to buy expensive ones. Search online for World Book Day character costumes; there are some great ideas to be inspired and creative.

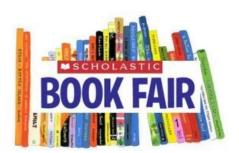
Take a "Shelfie"

As part of our World Book Day Celebrations, we would like to see the children's book shelves at home. The children are welcome to take a "Shelfie" of themselves in front of their book shelf to bring in to school to create a display in the library. Please print the photo and label it with your child's first name and class and send it in to school by Friday 22nd March.



Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting us again and will be open for sale on Friday 8th, Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th from 3.25pm - 4pm in the Drama Hall. The children will be able to redeem the World Book Day £1 voucher they will receive on the day.



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🔅 Golden Book for week ending 8th February 2019

FHB Joseph for a really determined attitude to his learning and for joining in and concentrating like Mr Busy.

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FWH Darcy for making fantastic progress with letter formation.

1B Emily for writing super sentences using conjunctions.

1NH Erin for fantastic phonics scores in our assessments last week.

1/2K Polly for challenging herself to use ambitious vocabulary in her writing.

2BH Isabella for consistently working hard in all your learning, particularly in Maths.

2KW Isla for making a fantastic start in 2KW and for being a super learning and lovely friend.

Politeness Award

FWH Alaya-Esmai for being a kind and gentle friend and a great help when tidying the classroom.

★ Golden Book for week ending 15th February 2019

★ FHB Spirit for a wonderful way with words and explaining things so well.

★ FWH Skye for always trying her best and using much improved cursive letters.

★ 1B Noah for fantastic descriptive writing about the Great Fire of London.

★ 1NH Cody for fantastic improvement and progress in his phonics.

★ 1/2K Callum for incredibly neat cursive joins and always persevering in school.

2BH Elexis for a real improvement in her writing and attitude towards her learning.

★ 2KW Oliver for fantastic independent writing.

★ Politeness Award

★ 1NH Lilly for always being such a wonderfully polite member of the class.

Pupil Successes

Well done to the following children for their fantastic achievements this week:

- ☆ Lilly 1B for achieving her Level 3 Swim England award.
- ☆ Sophie 1/2K for grading to her 4th Kyu Purple belt in Karate Jutsu
- ★ Edward 2KW for achieving his Level 3 and 10 metres Swim England awards.
- ☆ Krystal 2KW for achieving her Level 1 and 2 British Gymnastics trampoline awards.



Devon and Cornwall Constubulary are aware that there is an increasing issue around the Plymstock area with road users contravening the Road Traffic Act during the school 'rush hour' time and jeopardising the safety of pedestrians and young people surrounding the schools.

We have received correspondence from Devon and Cornwall Constabulary alerting us that it proposes to undertake an operation around local schools to remind road users of the road traffic restrictions in the vicinity of schools.

Please, as always, the safety of all of our children is paramount and we would urge you to be mindful of children and families making their way to and from school on foot, when dropping off and collecting your own children.

The Gosling Trust Goosewell Academy Goosewell Road Plymouth PL9 9HD

Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club Deputy Manager.
Required from 24th April 2019
Working hours are flexible as required.
Salary to be discussed.

The Gosling Trust is seeking a hard-working and enthusiastic individual to joint manage the club. You should be a cheerful and motivated individual who:

- Is able to work effectively as part of a team and provide excellent care and play opportunities for all our children.
- Has the ability to multi-task and a flexible approach to the wide range of work involved, changing priorities and unpredictable demands.
- Is an experienced and exceptional practitioner with a full and relevant level 3
 qualifications in childcare, level 2 qualifications in English and Maths (including
 functional skills) or teaching qualification, 2 years work experience with children in an experience of supervising or managing staff.
- Level 3 safeguarding trained and the ability to work within the procedures of the local Safeguarding Children's Board.
- Is willing to be trained in First Aid and able to attend all future training.
- Has a friendly approach, is helpful and proactive and an excellent organiser.

As employers, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. As part of our recruitment process successful applicants will be required to undertake an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check and interviews will include questions about safeguarding children.

The application form can be found on the Home page of the school's website www.goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk Your completed application form should be returned to thego-slingtrust@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk by noon on Tuesday 5th March 2019. Interview date to be confirmed.

Meet the Headteacher

A reminder that on **Tuesday 5th March 2019** there will be an opportunity to meet Mr James Gentile, Goosewell Academy's new Headteacher.

Pop along to one of two sessions in the Drama Hall: 2.00pm-3.00pm or 5.30pm-6.30pm



This is an opportunity to share questions and thoughts with James about our school. Please send any questions prior to the meet and greet to allow time to have the correct information to share.

For any questions please use jopenkpsa@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk or pop them into reception as soon as possible.

USING EVERYONE'S TALENTS

Violin Lessons There are no violin lessons for the post true

There are no violin lessons for the next two weeks. Lessons will resume with Mrs Hewlins on Tuesday 19th March.

🅇 Pancake Day and Red Nose Day

As Tuesday 5th March is Shrove Tuesday,
Cook will be serving pancakes for pudding.
On Friday 15th March, Cook will be serving
Red Nose Day biscuits for pudding.

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 <u>PSA</u>

Dates for your diaries

MARCH

Friday 1st

6C Family Assembly in the Main Hall 2.30pm-3.00pm PAAC Cross Country Race 4 at Goosewell 4.00pm-5.15pm

Monday 4th

Clubs end this week (unless otherwise notified)

School team at Schools Swimming Gala, Plymouth Life Centre at 6.15pm

Tuesday 5th

Meet the Headteacher in the Drama Hall 2.00pm-3.00pm and 5.30pm-6.30pm

Wednesday 6th

Year 4 Family School Lunch at 12.30pm

Year 6 SATs Parents/Carers Meeting in the Main Hall at 5.00pm

Thursday 7th

World Book Day

Friday 8th

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

PAAC Cross Country rescheduled Race at Oreston Academy 4.00pm-5.15pm

Scholastic Book Fair in the Drama Hall 3.25pm-4.00pm

Monday 11th

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Tuesday 12th

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Wednesday 13th

Scholastic Book Fair in the Drama Hall 3.25pm-4.00pm

Friday 15th

30 Family Assembly in the Main Hall 2.30pm-3.00pm

Future dates:

Friday 22nd March Tuesday 26th March

Wednesday 27th March and Monday-Wednesday 1st—3rd April Friday 5th April Monday 8th April - Monday 22nd April Tuesday 23rd April Wednesday 24th April Annual Pupil Progress Reports National Child Measurement Programme for Foundation Stage and Year 6 Parent and Child Consultations

Last day of term, normal finish time Easter break Non Pupil Day First day of Term 5 for children