

Issue No 3 - 25th September 2020

This week's year group news...

Reception As we draw to the end of another week, your children feel very much part of the fabric of Goosewell. They have been enjoying daily phonics sessions with an already impressive grasp of formation and sound. They are able to recognise and form the number 2 as well as to spot it in the environment. They can also list things which come in pairs. Next week we will explore number 3 in terms of formation, ways to make 3 and spotting it in the world around us. I made a bit of a muddle in last week's newsletter so must send apologies! This week we have been looking at i, n, p, g and o in phonics and it is next week that will see us exploring c, k, u, b and f. Do keep checking TAPESTRY and our web page for support and updates for phonics and maths. We will continue to investigate and explore the season of Autumn with 'Arcimboldo' inspired transient art, leaf rubbings and further drawing and labelling of the signs of Autumn. The children will also be bird spotting and trying to make their own bird feeders. Have a lovely weekend everyone !

Year 1 We have another busy week coming up. The children are loving learning about London and next week, we will begin to compare country life with city life. We will use the book 'Town Mouse, Country Mouse' as a stimulus to do this. Sorting photos of Plymstock and London will help the children to notice differences between the two places and they will be encouraged to verbalise these differences and give an opinion about where they would like to live. We will still have our London bus role play in the classrooms. It has been wonderful to hear the children play imaginatively selling tickets for various bus tours. In Maths, we will be comparing groups, ordering numbers and solving missing number calculations. Thank you for sending the children to school in PE kit on Mondays. Children need to have their book folders in school to have their RWI books changed on Tuesdays and Fridays. Thank you all very much for your continued support.

Year 2 Year 2 have had a wonderful time taking part in Bikeability this week, where they have built up confidence, spatial awareness and dynamic balance skills using balance bikes. They have also completed their own story versions of 'Katie in London', changing the lion to a different animal to show them the sights of London. They have been comparing numbers to 100 in Maths and enjoyed writing about geographical features of London as part of their topic. Next week, Year 2 will start a new writing unit on non-fiction texts, identifying and finding features, writing labels and captions for pictures and diagrams. In Maths they will be learning about 10s and 1s and using the whole, part, part model. In topic, we will move on to the Great Fire of London and how it all began! Homework has now been uploaded to Teams for Year 2 and you should find 10 spellings for next Friday and a two week art topic project based on the Queen. The children will have watched the video about Harvest and we are collecting tinned and packaged food for Plymouth Foodbank. Please start bringing your donations from Monday onwards. Many thanks from the Year 2 team, Mrs Kimberlee, Mrs Boalch and Mrs Nicholls



More year group news...

Year 3 Year 3 continue to impress us with their hard work and enthusiastic approach to their learning. They are thoroughly enjoying our exploration into the Blue Abyss and have worked well to classify different animals. Next week, we will be having a talk from Wembury Marine Centre where we will be learning more about the creatures that live in the different parts of the ocean. We will also be using our artistic skills to recreate the patterns found in the ocean and on the creatures that live there. In our English lessons, we are moving on to focus on non-fiction persuasive texts. This week, we will be thinking about the effects of overfishing on our oceans and looking at the features of persuasive texts. We will be developing our use of conjunctions in SPaG which we will be able to apply within our persuasive texts. Our learning in Maths will consolidate our Place Value learning and we will be comparing and ordering numbers up to 1000. Children will continue to read AR books and 'quiz' at the end of the book. Can we remind you that the children need to remember their books for school every day as there is a daily timetabled slot where children will read and quiz. They are also able to complete quizzes at home.

Year 4 Hard working Year 4 have had a great week writing our pirate adventures. Why not ask us to retell them at home? Next week, we will be moving on to non-fiction writing, looking at the effects of over-fishing on the marine environment. The children will be researching the human impact on the ocean and on Thursday afternoon, we will take part in a virtual talk with Wembury's Marine Centre staff about the layers of the ocean. In this, the children will have the opportunity to ask questions, so any discussion at home beforehand would be very helpful. We also have the pleasure of welcoming Ms Walpole from Coombe Dean to our Games lesson on Wednesday. During this session, the children will have an introduction to 'Footgolf.' In Maths next week, we will continue to manage and manipulate numbers into the thousands. We will be challenging the children to partition, order on a number line and find more and less than any given number. We will also apply these growing skills within problem solving contexts. Don't forget that weekly spelling words are found on MS Teams, and if there are ever any issues, questions or queries, don't hesitate to ask!

Year 5 The highlight in Year 5 this week has been a visit from Clive Pig, an inspiring storyteller, who engaged the children in our 'Pharaohs' topic. Each class enjoyed a drama session where they learnt about either farming, the mummification process, or the journey to the afterlife. It was lovely to see how much the children enjoyed this experience. In English, the children have worked incredibly hard writing their historical fiction story linked to 'Secrets of a Sun King'. Next week, we will be starting a non-fiction unit of writing, which will result in the children becoming journalists. It is great to see the children have been taking their Accelerated Reader quizzes at home. As a year group, the total word count so far is an astonishing 1,131,550!!!! Finally, we have discussed harvest and learnt a lot about the Plymouth Foodbank. We will have boxes available in our classrooms every day next week to collect any donations.

Year 6 The children in Year 6 have written their own versions of 'The Switch' and are busy publishing them for display. In Maths, they have been rounding numbers and learning about negative numbers. We have been developing comprehension skills using fiction text extracts in Reading sessions. In our ID topic, we have been discussing 'Nature vs Nurture' and thinking about family resemblances. Thank you if you sent in a photograph to support this learning. In English next week, the children will be learning how to write in an autobiographical style. Most children have brought in their homework notes (due Friday 25th) to support them with this. In Maths, we will be focusing on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Children need to be practising their times table recall (up to 12 X 12) at home as often as possible. In our IT time, we will be designing our own Avatars and our topic learning will involve thinking about the types of environments we'd like to live in or visit.



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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 throughout the year. We have a [Worry Box](#) link if your child has 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. Click [PSA](#) to keep informed of all the most recent updates from [Plymouth Information Advice & Support for SEND](#) and [Routeways](#).

Applying for secondary school place to start in September 2021

If you live in Plymouth and your year 6 child was born between 01 September 2009 and 31 August 2010, you can apply online for a secondary (year 7) school place for your child from 23.59 on 3 September 2020. Applications must be received by **31st October 2020**. Please click on the image below for further details.



Please do also search individual Plymouth school websites for details of their forthcoming open events. Plymstock School and Coombe Dean School both have their Open Events running on their websites and you can access these events by clicking on the flyers below:



Guidance on coughs

Since the beginning of last week the guidance on what constitutes a cough has changed and we now have further guidance we would like to share with you.

As a continuous cough (as set out in the image) is a symptom of Covid-19 it is vital that any household member who displays these symptoms self isolates and books a test.

A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH MEANS:

- you are coughing a lot for more than 1 hour
- OR**
- you have been coughing a lot 3 or more times in 24 hours
- if you normally have a cough, it may be worse than usual.



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This week's highlights & reminders:

School Crossing Patrol


The School Crossing Patrol will now operate between 3.05pm and 3.35pm daily, and our Lower Key Stage 1 children will now finish at 3.25pm to allow for safe journeys home across Furzehatt Road.

Accelerated Reader Years 1-6

In the past, Accelerated Reader online tests have only been accessible within the school setting. This has now been altered and your child will be able to access these tests from home. Just login to Accelerated Reader via the link on the school website (which can be found in each year group under 'useful links').

CaterEd School Lunches Menu

The CaterEd school lunches menu for Goosewell can be found on the school website via this link: [CaterEd Menu](#). Week commencing 28/9/20 will be a Week Two menu.

HOT PACKED LUNCH MENU AUTUMN 2020					
					
These meals will be served in compostable clam shell containers with the drink, dessert and cutlery in packed lunch carrier bags					
WEEK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice One	All American burger with seasoned wedges (H)	Ham, Cheese or Tuna sandwich	Bolognese pasta bake & garlic bread (H)	Ham, Cheese or Tuna sandwich	Breaded pollock with chips or pasta
Choice Two	Jacket potato & Cheese	Jacket potato & Beans & Cheese	Jacket potato & Tuna	Jacket potato & Cheese	Jacket potato & Beans
Vegetables	Cucumber and carrot sticks	Small side salad	Cooked carrot rounds	Cucumber and carrot sticks	Small side salad
Dessert	Iced yoghurt (individual pots)	Piece of fruit & yoghurt	Savoury cornbread muffin (H)	Piece of fruit & yoghurt	Lemon drizzle cake (H)
WEEK 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice One	Homemade pizza choices with diced potatoes (H)	Ham, Cheese or Tuna sandwich	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread (H)	Ham, Cheese or Tuna sandwich	Fish fingers with chips or pasta
Choice Two	Jacket potato & Cheese	Jacket potato & Beans & Cheese	Jacket potato & Tuna	Jacket potato & Cheese	Jacket potato & Beans
Vegetables	Cucumber and carrot sticks	Small side salad	Cooked carrot rounds	Cucumber and carrot sticks	Small side salad
Dessert	Iced yoghurt (individual pots)	Piece of fruit & yoghurt	Sliced cheese & savoury biscuits (H)	Piece of fruit & yoghurt	Victoria sponge (H)
WEEK 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice One	Hotdog with diced potatoes (H)	Ham, Cheese or Tuna sandwich	Cheese wheels with wedges (H)	Ham, Cheese or Tuna sandwich	Breaded fish fillet and chips or pasta
Choice Two	Jacket potato & Cheese	Jacket potato & Beans & Cheese	Jacket potato & Tuna	Jacket potato & Cheese	Jacket potato & Beans
Vegetables	Cucumber and carrot sticks	Small side salad	Cooked carrot rounds	Cucumber and carrot sticks	Small side salad
Dessert	Iced yoghurt (individual pots)	Piece of fruit & yoghurt	Orange sponge (H)	Piece of fruit & yoghurt	Oaty orange & sultana cookie (H)

H – Home-made / V – Vegetarian / Ve – Vegan / Selection of jacket potatoes with meat or vegetarian choices
Please note that baked beans can be offered as a substitute to the salad being served as veg if required



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Goosewell
Primary Academy
Rise To Greatness



This year Goosewell Primary Academy has joined forces to celebrate Harvest with St Mary's Church in Plymstock and Plymouth Foodbank.

Revs Dave & Jennie and their team have kindly put together a video for us about why we celebrate Harvest and what we can do as a community to help support people in Plymouth who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Usually, Revs Jennie, Dave and volunteers from Foodbank would come into school to talk to the children but in the current climate it's just impossible. However, we must thank them for creating a fantastic video for us of the valuable work that both our local church and the Foodbank do to support people in our community.

The children will watch the video in school and talk about Harvest and the work of the Foodbank and church community with their teachers. This video will also be available on both the Goosewell and Plymstock and Hooe Parish's You Tube channels for you to view at home.

Why not join Revs Dave & Jennie on their live Harvest Service on their You Tube channel (Plymstock and Hooe Parish Morning Worship) on Sunday 27th September at 10am? Did you know that they also do a weekly service on You Tube live that you are most welcome to attend with your family?

We would be so very grateful if each child in school could bring in something from the list below. Mrs Boalch and her team are organising the collection for the school and it would be great to send a generous contribution from Goosewell. Please could you bring items to school in a bag anytime from [Monday 28th September until Friday 2nd October](#) and there will be a collection box in each classroom. Please could you check all items sent are still in date!

Urgently needed items at the moment are-

- Puddings-(Rice or custard)
- Treats- crisps, chocolate and sweets
- Squash or cordial
- Baby wipes/wet wipes
- Tins of ham or corned beef
- Instant mashed potato
- Children's toothpaste, toothbrushes and shampoo
- Soap
- Pet food- cat or dog
- Deodorant/roll on (men and women)
- Washing up liquid
- Razors (in Packet) and shaving foam
- Christmas Goodies
- Biscuits

[Thank you so much for your amazing support.](#)

[Harvest video here](#)



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Prospective Reception 2021/22 School Visits

Is your pre-school child due to start school in September 2021? Would you like to find out more about our fantastic school community? Prospective families are invited to take a tour of the school with James Gentile, our Headteacher or our Senior Leadership Team. We will be holding small group tours (maximum 6) of the school each Friday at 4.00pm, and ask that only one parent/carer attends from each household. Please contact the school office on 482960 or email admin@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk to register your interest and book a place.

Devon Flu Vaccination Programme 2020/21 - IMPORTANT

Your Reception to Year 6 child, they are eligible for a Free Nasal Childhood Flu Vaccination. It is anticipated that this will be delivered in schools between October 2020 to December 2020, this will be administered adhering to all up to date Infection Control, PPE and social distancing guidance at the time. Flu vaccination is one of most effective interventions we have to reduce pressure on the health and social care system which is going to be more important than ever this year. For this reason, it is essential we deliver the vaccine to as many children as possible to prevent the spread of infection to those most at risk in society. In light of the above we are expecting demand to be high and therefore we urge you to follow the below link to consent to your child's vaccination now. You will also find answers to your FAQ's on this link.

<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon>

If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team on our Single Point of Access (SPA): Tel: 0300 247 0082 Email: vcl.immunisations@nhs.net

School Age Immunisations Team

Virgin Care Services Limited

Telephone: 0300 247 0082

Reminders

- ◆ Please ensure that ALL uniform and belongings are named - it is impossible to reunite items without them being named, and we are currently unable to facilitate parents/carers attending onsite to search for lost items. Lost items will be kept within the Key Stage bubbles.
- ◆ Please could your child wear their Games kit to school on the following days:
 - ⇒ Year 1 — MONDAY
 - ⇒ Year 2 — THURSDAY
 - ⇒ Year 3 — TUESDAY
 - ⇒ Year 4 — WEDNESDAY
 - ⇒ Year 5 — FRIDAY
 - ⇒ Year 6 — WEDNESDAY
- ◆ At this present time of being Covid 19 aware and to avoid cross contamination, we kindly remind you to avoid letting your children use the climbing frames and trim trails at the start and end of the school day.

Next week's virtue is:

Responsibility...the quality or state of being responsible.



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FRIENDS OF GOOSEWELL SCHOOL 2020- 2021

WHATEVER YOUR SKILL—WE **NEED** YOU!

Please Help Us to Help Our School



Annual General Meeting
To be held virtually.

Monday, 19th October

8pm—9pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMITTEE

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frogs@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk



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