### The Newsletter of Goosewell Academy

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## **Year Group News**

### **Foundation Stage**

Next week in Foundation we will continue on our mini theme of pets. The children will be busy writing, labelling different parts of animals/pets e.g. tail, paw, leg or even whiskers! We will be sharing books about different pets and animals and will continue to develop and improve our phonics knowledge by writing simple pet/animal words and creating sentences together. Our number work will focus on ladybird number doubling using counters and numicon. However, the most exciting event next week will be the arrival of our chick eggs from Mrs Soper that will incubate in school for 3 weeks. Fingers crossed they will hatch in our first week back after the Whitsun break. It really is such a treat to experience this first hand. We all become rather attached to our fluffy friends! Keep looking at Tapestry for what your children are up to each week.

### Year 1

Next week in Year 1, in Literacy, we will be sharing Jack and the Beanstalk. Children will be tak- Next week Year 4 will be starting the London topic ing on the role of a character and will work as a group to act out and retell the story. In Maths, children will begin to explore division and how we share things into equal groups. We will be heading to the Library on Tuesday to hear some exciting traditional tales. We will also be going to Lidl to buy our fruit to make our delicious fruit kebabs.

### Year 2

Next week in Year 2 we will sharing a story called 'The day the crayons guit' and then writing imaginative letters in the style of that text. We will be preparing for our reading comprehension paper on Friday 17th May and then practising our maths reasoning skills. We will be answering questions based on shape, time, length, weight and reading scales on measuring jugs or thermometers. In the afternoons we will be observing how our beans are growing in our air gardens and continuing to write a diary to show how they are growing. We will continue to be active in our games lessons and will be starting to participate in athletics type activities to prepare us for Sports day.

### Year 3

Next week, Year Three will be investigating how fossils are created. In maths we are looking at 'Time'. In particular, months of the year, durations and telling the time to the nearest 5 minute and minute intervals. In Writing, we will be creating a persuasive advert for their chocolate bar.

### Next week's virtue is..... Kindness The quality or state of being

kind; a kind act.

### Year 4

Thank you to everyone who came to 4JG's assembly. and considering boroughs and travel routes between London and Plymouth. In literacy, we are moving on to study Jacqueline Wilson's Cliffhanger' and will be designing our own posters persuading people to visit the activity centre. In maths, we are continuing to order, compare and round decimals and explore halves and quarters. Finally, in PE we are improving our reaction times and throwing accuracy.

### Year 5

Our literacy lessons next week will take us into a world of 'Cracking Contraptions.' The children will learn the skills to write an explanation text and begin to plan how Wallace and Gromit's crazy contraptions might really work! In maths, we will complete one final week on decimals with a focus on multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. Don't forget, 5MT's Family Assembly on Friday!

### Year 6

As you are aware the Key Stage 2 SATs take place next week. The children have worked incredibly hard this year and we are sure that they are keen to show their best. Please ensure that your child has a good night's sleep, a wholesome breakfast and arrive promptly at school each day. The tests take place each morning from Monday until Thursday. Additional information can be found on the school website as part of the SAT Powerpoint presentation.

Monday – SPaG & Spelling Tuesday – Reading Wednesday - Maths Papers 1 & 2 Thursday – Maths Paper 3

Your child can bring a small 'treat bar' each day as a morale boost when the tests are finished. On Friday, we will celebrate the completion of the tests by providing the children with a treat and weather permitting, time on the field. Thank you for your continued help and support.

### Dear Parents / Carers

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I am pleased to let you know that over the past couple of weeks we have implemented our new rewards system and I would like to take this opportunity to share with you what is it and why we are doing this.

The behaviour of the children at Goosewell is exemplary and we want the school to be in the position to reward children for their good behaviour, as well as promote positive behaviours through incentives. We have therefore introduced Class Dojo across the whole school. Class Dojo is an online platform that enables children to collect points with the aim of exchanging the points for in-class rewards at the end of each term.

Children can collect points for demonstrating Visible Learning Attributes:

Independence

Challenge

Reflectiveness

**Taking Risks** 

Perseverance

### **Taking Ownership**

We have also taken the time to consult with the School Parliament, as well as children and adults around the school, to create a new and clear set of school rules. Children can also collect a Golden Dojo for following the new school rules:

### We do our best

### We listen and pay attention

### We are polite and respectful

### We work as a team

Once a child collects 10 points, they then receive 1 point for their House. There is also a reward for the winning House at the end of a full term; this might include a movie or extra playtime etc. By the end of next week all children will find out what House they are in (siblings will be in the same House). All adults in the school will also be allocated a House.

Class Dojo is a multi functional tool and we hope to use it to its potential over the coming months, including the opportunity for parents to download an app and view your child's points and what they received their points for. Watch this space!

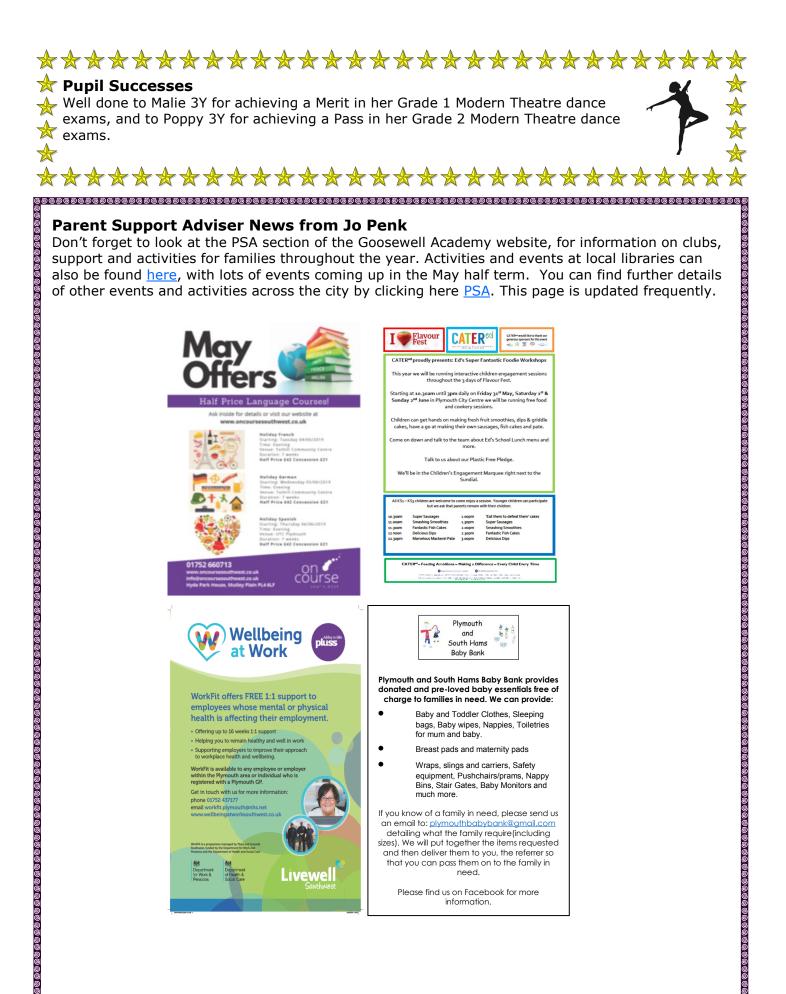
In the meantime, I do hope your children are coming home and telling you about the points they are receiving.

With best wishes

James Gentile

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# USING EVERYONE'S TALENTS



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### Parking around the school

Again, we ask that you are considerate when driving to school to drop off and collect your children, and do not compromise the

- safety of any of our children by stopping on the zig zag lines,
- across our neighbours driveways or by mounting the pavements.
- 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



school on foot. In particular, please do not drop your children off on the zig zag lines as this hinders the flow of traffic along Goosewell Park Road, inconveniences other road users, and is dangerous for our children and families crossing the road. Incidents of bad parking may be reported to the local authority and police by any member of the public and we would urge you to park and drive safely around the school perimeter. Thank you for your cooperation and for keeping our children safe.

### **School Uniform Orders**

It's that time of year when you may be thinking about ordering new school uniform for your children. Here is a useful guide from Mapac, our uniform supplier, with details of delivery instructions and cut off dates.

#### mapac'

Official Uniform Supplier for Goosewell Academy

Welcome to Mapac! We are delighted to be working with your school who have entrusted us with providing your children's school uniform.

#### 1. HOW TO ORDER

CLICK THE UNIFORM LINK FROM YOUR SCHOOLS WEBSTTE...or...
Visit <u>www.mapac.com/educidon/parents</u> or search online for 'Mapac find your school'.
Once on your dedicated school page, simply add everything you need to your basket, register (if yo haven't aiready) and then check out.

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 ORDERING GUIDE Our aim is that all orders are sent out within 10 working days. During the busy summer period, it can take little longer, so please allow us some extra time to get your order to you.

Delivery Options	Delivery Charge
Delivery to your school (this service will not operate during any school holiday this includes the 6 week summer holiday – cut off date is 14 <sup>th</sup> June for last delivery in to school 28 <sup>th</sup> June)	Free
Delivery to your home / work	Free - over £50 £3.95 - under £50

If using Option 'Delivery to your school' please note child's name/class in 'Special Instructions'.



If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to call or email us. We are happy to help!

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### Celebrating good attendance at Goosewell

Well done to 6S, 4JG and 2KW who have achieved the best attendance in Years 5 / 6, Years 3 / 4 and Foundation, Y1 and Y2 respectively for the period of 24/04/2019 to 03/05/2019. It's so great to see such good attendance across all year groups, see below.

#### Attendance for the period of: 24/04/2019 to 03/05/2019

2KW	100.0%
4JG	99.6%
1B	98.6%
3Y	98.6%
6S	98.3%
ЗТ	97.7%
1/2K	97.6%
6C	97.6%
30	96.7%
4M	96.7%
5DH	96.7%
5L	96.3%
FWH	95.0%
6R	94.7%
2BH	94.2%
5MT	93.4%
1NH	93.3%
FHB	93.2%
4LG	91.9%

**Term 4** 100% book tokens have been awarded to Travis 6S, Evie 3Y and George in 1B who were chosen at random as their overall attendance was 100% for term 4. Wouldn't it be lovely to see your name here next term?

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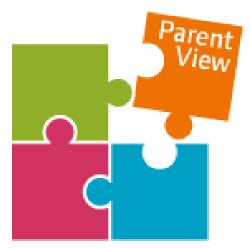
### Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

A final reminder from Mr Teasdale that you have until 23.00 this Sunday to order your Year 6 leavers hoodies. **No orders** will be accepted after this date.

Link to leavers hoodies shop here.

### **Parents Survey**

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about Goosewell, from the quality of teaching to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected. Click on the link below to 'Give your views' to register and complete a survey to tell us what you think about the school.



### **Dates for your diaries**

Friday 10th 4JG Family Assembly in the Main Hall 2.30pm-3.00pm Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May Year 6 SATs week **Tuesdav 14th** Year 6 SATs FHB Family School Lunch at 12.15pm Wednesday 15th Year 6 SATs Year 5 Family School Lunch at 12.30pm **Thursday 16th** Year 6 SATs 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 Fridav 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

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A fun packed comedy show for all the family supported by amazing International Circus Artists www.happyscircus.co.uk Even the kids will love it!

# Goosewell Academy

Happy's Circus and inflatables - Friday 7th June 2019, 4-8pm Tickets on sale now from Reception every Tuesday 9-9.30am and Friday 3.15-3.45pm or by using the order form available from Reception. Tickets - £8.00 each or 4 for £30