

Issue No 14 - 8th March 2024

Each week, on a Friday, year group news will be shared with families on Teams or Tapestry so that you can share your child's learning with them.

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A reminder that teachers regularly share information and messages to their classes via MS Teams. Please ensure that you are using your child's MS Teams account for keeping up to date with homework and important messages. Please let your child's teacher know, or the school office if you have misplaced any login details.

Dates for your diaries

For all upcoming events and activities, please look at the school [Calendar](#) on the school [website](#). A list of important upcoming dates can also be found [here](#).

04.03.24 - 15.03.24 8.15am-8.40am	Goosewell Reading Festival - Starbooks Reading Café 8.15am-8.40am 10 places available each day
11.03.24	Scholastic Book Fair
15.03.24 9.00am-9.30am	4K Family Assembly in Drama Hall (please enter via Furzehatt Villas, opposite Bowling Club)
15.03.24	Comic Relief Red Nose Day (details to follow)
22.03.24	Times Table Rockstar Day
27.03.24	Invited Y6 children - Rowing Competition at Plymouth Life Centre
27.03.24	Y5 Visit from Explorer Dome
28.03.24	Last day of Term 4
29.03.24-14.04.24	Easter Break
15.04.24	First day of Term 5
15.04.24-03.05.24	Y4 Swimming at the Life Centre

Useful Dates for Parents/Carers

The useful dates calendar has been updated on the school website, with important dates for the Spring terms. You can view the dates [here](#).

Jo Penk - Parent Support Advisor

The [PSA](#) section of the Goosewell Academy website has information on ideas, support and activities for families. If you are a military family and you have a **family member who is currently deployed**, please ensure that we have the deployed family member's email address on our records so that you can keep up to date with email communications sent from the school. You will also find the school website a useful source of information whilst you are away, particularly the '[News](#)' section to keep you in the loop.

You can also find details of Plymouth Information Advice & Support for SEND's activities & events here: [PIAS](#)

Hope for the Community are running online courses for parents of autistic children in the South West. You can sign up for these free courses [here](#)

Are you a kinship carer? Are you raising a relative or friend's child? Come along to the kinship carers group at Southway Library. To find out more details, scan the QR code with your phone's camera:



We recently hosted a Pets & Picasso session in school for some of our Key Stage 1 military children. They had a wonderful afternoon getting up close and personal with a variety of creatures!



Goosewell's Reading Festival

We have had a wonderful first week at our Reading Festival and it has been fantastic to welcome so many families in to our 'Starbooks' Reading Café each morning this week. We still have a host of activities and events planned for your children this coming week, including our Scholastic Book Fair from Monday, and the toilet roll book character competition.



READING FESTIVAL AT GOOSEWELL



Monday 4th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

Dress up as a book character.

Usborne sponsored reading event launch.



Tuesday 5th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

Toilet roll book character competition launched.

Wednesday 6th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

Book exchange – bring in a book that you have read to exchange it for a new book to take home.

Thursday 7th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

World Book Day vouchers go home.

Friday 8th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

Scholastic Book Fair
3:20pm - 3:45pm
(Drama Hall)

Friday 15th March
Reading Café
8:15am - 8:40am

Toilet roll book character competition judged.

Scholastic Book Fair
3:20pm - 3:45pm

TOILET ROLL CHARACTER CHALLENGE

MAKE YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER OUT OF A TOILET ROLL TUBE!

BRING YOUR COMPLETED CHARACTER TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 15TH MARCH.



PRIZES: 5 X £5 BOOK FAIR VOUCHERS

GET AS CREATIVE AS YOU LIKE AND DON'T FORGET TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME ON YOUR MODEL.



Celebration Assembly:

Goosewell Primary Academy's Rise to Greatness, Writing, Maths, Reading & Learning Behaviour Awards

Here are the past few 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 book vending machine. Well done to the following children for receiving their well deserved awards:

Weekly awards EYFS

Date	Reading			Writing			Maths		
	Class	Name	Reason	Class	Name	Reason	Class	Name	Reason
08.03.24	RHO	Sophie W	For growing in confidence when blending sounds to read words.	RHO	Arthur S	For trying really hard with his letter formation	RWH	Jamie J	For recognising 'doubles' and 'not doubles'.

Weekly awards Y1, Y2, Y3

Date	Reading			Writing			Maths		
	Class	Name	Reason	Class	Name	Reason	Class	Name	Reason
08.03.24	2P	Leo C-B	For a phenomenal effort with his reading! He has reached almost 12,000 words and is loving trying lots of different books.	3G	Jacob C	For a superb effort in his story based on Pompeii, using expanded noun phrases, speech and the sound mat to help with spelling.	1K	Augustine H	For always spotting patterns when we are working with numbers.

Weekly awards Y4, Y5, Y6

Date	Reading			Writing			Maths		
	Class	Name	Reason	Class	Name	Reason	Class	Name	Reason
08.03.24	4C	Oliver C	For taking amazing ownership of your reading every day this week both at home and in school! You've massively helped our word count as a class this week too!	4B	Luna B	For carefully considering the purpose and audience of your writing to produce an entertaining journey tale. Your writing has improved significantly. Keep up the hard work!	6T	Isabelle M	For consistently high standards in maths and real drive to complete all Chuutas to extend her learning.

Rise to Greatness Award

Look out for our Rise to Greatness feature next week when we will be showcasing our most recent Rise to Greatness Award winners



Happy News

A huge well done to Oliver in 2BM for feeling brave enough to be a matchday mascot at Priestfield Stadium for his team Gillingham (who won!), and for walking out with the team in front of over 8500 supporters. Amazing Oliver, we are incredibly proud you.



Plymstock Poppy Appeal & Royal British Legion

We were delighted to welcome Bill Jennings from Plymstock Poppy Appeal in to Goosewell earlier this week. Bill visited us to present a Certificate of Appreciation from the Royal British Legion for all of the excellent work carried out by the Goosewell Primary Academy community to support the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal this year. Did you know that we raised a whopping £954.92 this year? What a fantastic community effort, well done Goosewell.



Reminders

Please remember that due to children and staff with severe nut allergies across the school, we are a **NUT FREE** school. This includes foods containing nuts, e.g. Nutella spread. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Year 4 and Year 6 Residentials - Outstanding Balances

The final date for the Year 4 London trip outstanding balance is **Friday 8th March 2024**. The final date for the Year 6 PGL residential outstanding balance is **Friday 26th April 2024**. Please ensure that your balances are paid in full by these dates.

Parking and driving around the school premises

Could we please ask that parents and families are considerate to our extremely patient neighbours when parking and driving around the school premises. Please be mindful, in particular of the area at the back of the school, near Plymstock Bowling Club as there are houses with private drives which are not to be used for turning. We would be grateful for your support and cooperation.

