



Newsletter

16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week at school. We have welcomed our new Reception and Nursery to the Goose Green Family. We have been so impressed by how well they have settled. We will be popping in to read a story in Nursery and Reception classes next week so that we can get to know the children's names and find out about their interests.

Higher up in the school, children have been starting their new topics with various memorable immersion experiences. A few examples are: Year 4 have been to the Horniman Museum today and Year 1 visited Goose Green Park for a senses walk earlier in the week.

Please remember to check Google Classroom for your curriculum letter. These explain what your child will be learning this half term and give you some ideas to help them at home. These letters will be on the Google Classrooms between now and next Friday.

School closed on Monday

Please remember that school will be closed on Monday 19th to observe the bank holiday to mark the funeral of Queen Elizabeth. We will be open as usual on Tuesday 20th.



Magic Breakfast



We are pleased to announce that Magic Breakfast will continue to provide a bagel breakfast for all children this year. Please make sure your child is in school on time to benefit from this.

Unfortunately, the charity are no longer able to provide the food parcels to families for the holidays. Please watch this space for other organisations that can support you.

Calling all Gardeners!

Now that the summer has passed our planters are looking a bit sad. If you have any spare bulbs or winter bedding plants please bring them into the office over the next few weeks so that we can get the playground looking lovely again for the children.



Instrument	Name	Contact
Cello	Harry Escott	harryope@gmail.com
Trumpet	Jo Harris	jo@joharrismusic.com
Drums	Paul Brett	paulbrett1@gmail.com
Guitar	Andrew Briggs	AndrewBriggsGuitar@gmail.com
Piano / Violin	Doris Kuo	Doris.Kuo@hotmail.com 07340595789
Rock Steady	Joel	info@rocksteadymusicschool.com 0330 113 0330

Peripatetic Teachers

We are really lucky to be able to offer a range of music lessons through our fantastic peripatetic teaching team. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument please contact the teacher directly for more details including costs of lessons.



Congratulations to our Learning Attribute Winners this week:

Hannah – for **courage** - Hannah thought up a new class rule “be a leader not a follower”.

Romario – for **reflection** and **courage** – for improving his learning following feedback.

Maleek – for **reflection** – for making great improvements to his learning behaviours.



Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Cat Shuttleworth and Louise Partridge

Dates for your diary	
26 th September	Year 6 Transition Meeting
26 th – 30 th September	Phonics workshops for Reception parents
14 th October	School breaks up for half term
31 st October	New Term Starts
1 st and 2 nd November	Parent Pupil progress meetings (Parent and Carer evenings)

FOGGS Update 16/09/22

FOGGS Autumn Term open meetings – all parents and carers are welcome

We will meet **online on Wednesday 28th September at 7pm via Zoom**, and **in person on Thursday 29th September at 9am at school**.

We will send the Zoom link via ParentMail the day before the meeting.

Please do join either meeting to review the last school year and find out what we have planned for this year, and – most importantly – to join in!

Join FOGGS: we need new committee members and volunteers to coordinate specific events.

Without new people we will not be able to organise much loved and highly anticipated events in the school calendar or complete the library fundraising.

What is FOGGS?

FOGGS (Friends of Goose Green School) is a group of parents and carers who work together to develop our school community, fundraise to meet the school's objectives and further our reputation and presence in the local community.



The FOGGS committee members work together to achieve these objectives. The key responsibilities for each role are:

- **Chair:** organises termly meetings; liaises with school, external bodies and sponsors to schedule and plan events, coordinates volunteers to make events happen.
- **Treasurer:** oversees the financial aspects of FOGGS, which includes preparing financial reports, checking bank statements, coordinating cash and card payment systems at events. For this role it would be helpful to feel comfortable using excel and/ or have a background in finance.
- **Secretary:** communicates on behalf of FOGGS with school, parents and carers and the local community; coordinates the Class Reps and WhatsApp groups; coordinates our social media activity.

Each of these roles require an average commitment of one to two hours a week, with more activity around key events.

Why should I get involved?

Joining the committee or volunteering to organise an event is a fun way to become more involved in school life, and to enhance the Goose Green School experience for all the children. You will also get to know other parents and carers and develop new skills.

How do I get involved?

You can contact FOGGS directly on info@goosegreenpta.org or leave a message at the office and we will call you back, or ask your Class Rep for more information.

If you are thinking about joining the committee, please feel free to contact us with any questions before the meetings.

During each meeting we will simply ask who would like to join the committee and in what capacity. You do not need to be nominated by another parent/ carer. There will then be a vote to confirm new appointments.

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection policies can be found at goosegreenprimaryschool.org/about-us/key-information/policies Please feel free to ask the office for a hard copy of the safeguarding policy if you would like to receive one.

Dates for your diary

- Friday 23rd September: Year 2 play after school at Goose Green Park.
- Wednesday 28th September 7pm via Zoom: FOGGS Open meeting online.
- Thursday 29th September 9am at school: FOGGS Open meeting in person at school.
- Thursday 6th October: Year 2 social for parents and carers.
- Thursday 13th October 5:30 to 7:30pm: International Evening.

- Other year groups' social events to be via confirmed via WhatsApp.