



Dear Parents

I can't believe it's already the end of another week! It was lovely to have some warmer days heralding the start of spring and, I'm sure you'll agree, our crocus bulbs that we planted earlier have come up beautifully adding splashes of colour to our grounds.

I would like to introduce a new member of staff to you all. We welcome Helen Hampshire to our office team. I'm sure you will enjoy getting to know her and she will enjoy getting to know you in the coming weeks.

I was pleased to have the opportunity to meet with the Parent Reps on Wednesday this week and to be able to address some of the issues raised. I'm sure they will feedback to you when they can. I took the opportunity to ask the reps for some feedback for the school and asked them what 3 or 4 things they think we should keep doing. It won't surprise you to know that Forest School, Tune up, swimming and extra- curricular clubs and events all came out as favourites!

We have had two brilliant assemblies this week. Yesterday, 6T entertained us with their presentation about their Junior Citizen day at Woking Football Ground and told all the children how to stay safe around electricity and how important it is to deal with our litter properly. They also told us about what it means to have a growth mindset and their song to the tune of Bohemian Rhapsody was an outstanding performance. Thanks to Alex McPherson for the clever lyrics!

Today our lovely Irish teachers, Miss Judge, Miss Burns and Miss Agnew wanted to tell all the children about St. Patrick's day so that we could celebrate with them. They told us the story of St. Patrick and then demonstrated some excellent Irish dancing. I think the whole school will be having a go tonight!

Please see the sports report below to find out how we did at the District Cross Country races, but well done to all who took part!

We have now published our INSET days for the academic year 2017-18 on the website. Please note there will be no extended May half term break.

To all of our Irish friends, may I say Happy St. Patrick's day and have a great weekend!

**Mrs G Kozlowski,
Head of School**

Sports News

This Tuesday we had the eagerly anticipated District Cross Country Relay Championships. Goldsworth entered 3 teams into the race consisting of all the children that had finished in scoring positions in the 4 races the week before. Each runner within the 5 person team completed a 0.65 mile loop before tagging the next runner in their team. With 52 teams assembled on the start line, competition was fierce – the order you placed your runners, essential in enabling your team to be in striking distance of victory by lap 5. I am pleased to report that Goldsworth's relay teams did themselves immensely proud: Emily V, Marley M, Leanne S, Aydan A & Micah S finished a creditable 21st. Our next team of entirely year 4 athletes ran their socks off to finish in 13th place -an awesome effort by Ellie T, Jessica B, Thomas B, Daniel R & Elliot W. Our final team pulled out all the stops and made it on to the medal rostrum with an impressive third place, just missing out on silver or gold to teams from Barnsbury and West Byfleet respectively. Congratulations to our bronze medallists, Cara F, Liana W, James K, Jiyah K & Dihan T.

After the relay, it was also time to announce the team race results from last week's cross country races. This year 17 schools had entered the championships so team medals for any school were going to be hard to come by. Once again Goldsworth excelled to win medals in 3 out of the 4 age range categories: Our year 3/4 girls team (Marley M, Ellie T, Jessica B & Charlotte HM) finished with team bronze. Our year 5/6 girls team (Cara F, Liana W, Emily V & Leanne St) also finished in third with bronze medals around their necks. Our year 3/4 boys team (Micah S, Thomas



B, Elliot W & Daniel R) went one better with team silver. Awesome effort all three of our medal winning teams. Our year 5/6 boys had some fine individual performances, but with 4 athletes scoring, didn't quite have the strength in depth to medal, finishing in a creditable 9th place overall. The most exciting news came when the Overall results were calculated. Our cumulative girls score put Goldsworth in third overall, our cumulative boys score also put Goldsworth in bronze overall and when all cumulative scores were added, Goldsworth finished in second place overall (remember this is out of 17 schools) and only 14 points behind the overall winners, Pirbright. Goldsworth's cross country present is bright and its future looks even brighter - massive well done to all our budding cross country stars. Credit must also go to Mr Mack & Miss Pether; their excellent leadership (and Mr Mack's cross country club) guided Goldsworth to an excellent overall performance.

Yesterday all of 4P had the opportunity to go to Winston Churchill School to take part in a Netball festival. This mass participation event was an excellent opportunity for 4P to show off all the netballing skills they have learnt in PE and our interhouse netball competitions. All of 4P entered into the spirit of the festival, played some quality netball and a good time was had by all. In fact, 2 of our 4 teams were undefeated with no goals conceded. The other 2 teams showed an excellent growth mindset in the face of fierce opposition, who often were less aware of the netballing rules than our own netballing ninjas. However, as it was a perishing 11°C outside, Miss Pether found the morning a little on the chilly side - the children on the other hand, didn't seem to notice the 'cold'.

Finally, Good luck to our girls football team who have a home game against West Byfleet this afternoon and then an away game against Horsell on Monday. Our year 3 & 4 teams also get a run out next week playing in a football festival next Tuesday afternoon – I hope both teams enjoy the festival & take pride in representing their school. Also our girls swim teams enter battle at the Guildford Spectrum in the Surrey Swim Association relay competition – Will our girls butterfly, breaststroke, Freestyle and backstroke their way to a famous Surrey victory and a national champs qualifying time? Find out in next week's edition.

Ian Lyon
PE Co-ordinator

Charity News

This half term, the children have kindly chosen to support my fundraising campaign for Cancer Research UK by taking part in a sponsored obstacle course on Tuesday 28th March.



Please keep an eye out for the sponsor form that your child will be bringing home, as they might need some help to collect sponsors / donations for this worthy cause. The class that raises the most money will each receive a medal. Donations can also be paid online at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Emma-Turner62>

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported my campaign so far, both financially and with words of encouragement. I am hoping to reach my pledged target of £4,000 before I run the London Marathon next month.

Emma Turner



Panto Time

Don't miss the ultimate pantomime adventure Robin Hood as it comes to the New Victoria Theatre Woking for the first time ever!

Join the most heroic outlaw of them all as the arrow-shooting hero Robin Hood strives to win the hand of the beautiful Maid Marion while he and his trusty band of Merry Men outwit the evil Sheriff of Nottingham in a show packed full of comedy, action, adventure and plenty of glitz and glamour!

Brought to you by Qdos Entertainment, the world's biggest pantomime producer, Robin Hood features all of the ingredients of a perfect pantomime; a fabulous cast and orchestra, laugh out loud comedy, bundles of audience participation, stunning scenery and special effects, beautiful costumes and plenty of boos and hisses for all the family to enjoy.

To book your tickets click on the link below. Tickets must be paid for to secure your booking.

<http://www.goldsworthfriends.org.uk/theatre/xmas-panto>

Swimming

Saturday Recreational Swimming

The pool will be open this Saturday **18/3/2017**. See our website for further dates : [Upcoming Events](#)

Session times: 14:00 – 15:15 and 15:30 – 16:45 No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Costs : Adults £3, Juniors £2, Under 12mths Free

Ratios : Children under 4 years = 1 adult to 1 child; Children 5-7 years = 1 adult to 8 children; Children 8-15 years = poolside adult supervision required.