



## Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the Reception parents who attended the maths workshop this morning and stayed to practise some maths activities with their children. I hope you all found it useful to know how we introduce maths to the children and have gone home with lots of ideas of ways to practise these essential early skills. Thanks to the Reception staff team who put a huge amount of effort into the workshop – it is much- appreciated.

Yesterday 3A presented their class assembly which was all about Chinese New Year – a fitting theme for our first class assembly of 2017! They told the story of how the animals came to represent each year in an entertaining and fun way. Their enthusiasm and energy for the assembly was lovely to see – they sang and spoke clearly and we all enjoyed every minute!

Miss Harbridge took a small group of keen writers to an author's workshop yesterday. The children showed themselves to be really creative, expressive and talented writers; she was very proud of them – well done!

Our netball team have enjoyed the taste of victory this week – please read on to find out more! Thanks to Mrs Stanley for organising and training the high-performing team!

Our assemblies have continued to focus on the value of Love this week and the children are doing a great job of finding different ways to express their love for each other in school through writing notes, giving compliments, helping with work where they can and looking out for each other in the playground. Keep it up!

Next week the children in years 4, 5 and 6 will be taking part in the 'Live Science Lesson' broadcast by the BBC through their 'Terrific Scientific' project. They have already completed a taste test investigation and we have sent the results off to add to the national collection. Do look on the BBC website if you want to find out more about what the children will be doing.

Despite the cold weather, the children are still going outside to run a mile a day, to play and take part in outdoor games lessons and Forest School sessions. Please ensure your child has a warm coat and do your best to encourage them to wear it! We want to do our best to keep all the coughs and colds at bay! Please read the section further down on attendance.

Have a great weekend,

**Mrs G Kozlowski,  
Head of School**

## New Healthy Tuck Shop!

As part of our drive towards a Healthy Schools Award, the Health Minister and Pupil Parliament have decided upon a new, healthier - but still delicious - format for the Friends' Tuck Shop. Children will choose **1 piece of fruit**, followed by **2 cakes**, with water to drink. The Friends have agreed a price of **50p**, which is the first price rise in over 15 years!

We suggest that parents send in any fruit which is already portioned and ready to eat (small apples, bananas, sliced melon or pineapple, easy peel satsumas, for example) as well as or instead of cupcakes. Thank you for your continued support of Pupil Parliament initiatives and the Friends' Tuck Shop!

**Mrs K Eriksen and Pupil Parliament**

## Sports News

Massive congratulations to the school Netball Team who amassed an impressive 11-2 victory over our arch rivals Knaphill Primary School. This bodes well for Goldsworth's netballing future.

**Ian Lyon  
PE Co-ordinator**



## Swimming

### Saturday Recreational Swimming

The pool will not be open this Saturday, however will be on the **4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of February, 2017**. See our website for further dates : [Upcoming Events](#)

Session times : 2 – 3:15pm and 3:30 – 4:45pm. 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.

## St Mary of Bethany Church

**Planning family spending** There are many pressures on families. One is living within our means without running into debt. If that might apply to you or someone you know, you may be interested in a short course which is being run by members of our local church, St Mary of Bethany. The course will look at making what you spend match your income, how to control spending and saving for treats for the family. It will run on three Tuesday evenings starting at 7.45pm on 7<sup>th</sup> February, meeting in one of the church rooms and lasting for about 90mins. There is no charge. If you are having difficulty making your money stretch, why not give this course a chance – others who have attended similar courses have found it to be very helpful. What is there to lose?

If interested, please contact St Mary of Bethany Church Office on 01483723424 or [cap@stmaryofbethany.org.uk](mailto:cap@stmaryofbethany.org.uk)

## Great Goldsworth Spotacular Fundraising Total!

What an amazing total! Thank you so much to our all our children and parents.

Miss V Harbridge and Pupil Parliament

The graphic features the 'SPOTACULAR' logo with 'The Big Children in Need' and 'with LLOYDS BANK' text. Below it is a large 'THANK YOU!' in yellow and red. The text 'Goldsworth Primary School ...for raising a fantastic £665.00' is prominently displayed. At the bottom, there is a yellow circle with a star, a cartoon bear, and logos for 'LLOYDS BANK Proud Schools Partner' and 'The Big Children in Need'. A receipt number 'G1812 0324054' is also visible.

## Attendance

Our target for attendance for the school is 97%. Unfortunately, over the last two months we have dipped below this target and our January figure is currently at 96.5% which is the lowest it has been this academic year. Please do your best to send your child to school every day, unless they are really poorly. Missing even a few days here and there can add up to a lot of learning time and makes it very hard for children to keep up. Thank you.

**Mrs Kozlowski**  
Head of School