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Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 8th September 2017

Dear Parents.

Welcome back to the start of term! I do hope you all had a great summer break and that everyone is raring to go for an exciting term ahead. It was lovely to see all the children arriving at school on Wednesday looking so happy and ready to be back at school and settle in their new classes. I hope that the first few days have gone well for all the children and they are feeling comfortable and confident.

I extend a particular welcome to all of our new families who are joining us in Reception and some others who are new to the school. I do hope you soon feel part of us and I look forward to getting to know you.

I'd also like to say welcome to some new staff; Miss Daly, Mrs Perfect, Miss Nastaly, Mrs McKinlay, Miss Hiscock, Miss Collins and Mrs Mack. We welcome them to the team and I'm sure you and your children will enjoy working with them.

We began term with an assembly all about setting good strong foundations right from the start. We talked to the children about doing their best in all areas, including making their beds in the morning and helping at home! We also talked about our high expectations for the children which includes how they present themselves. Please support us in this by making sure your children always look smart by wearing the correct uniform. See our website for details: http://www.goldsworthprimary.co.uk/parent-information/a-z-of-



goldsworth Can I also ask that any hair accessories, e.g. bows and hair bands, are green to fit in with our school colours? If children choose to wear a bow, these should be a reasonable size and not really big.

Our value for this half term is Respect, so please talk to your children about how we all show respect for ourselves, each other and our environment.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Kozlowski (Head of School)



Sports News

WELCOME BACK SPORTS FANS

Looking back over last year's inter house competitions, there is some very exciting news to share. Having cumulatively tallied the results from every competition held last year, one house can now be crowned All Round Inter House Sports Champions:

	Position	Points
Nelson	1st	69
Drake	2nd	65
Raleigh	3rd	63
Hawkins	4th	44

Congratulations to all the houses for showing such prowess in all four of the sports in which competitions were held (football, rugby, gymnastics & netball) and particularly to Nelson for being crowned overall champions (big trophy adorned with blue ribbon arriving shortly).

With only 6 points separating the top 3 teams, things could not have been closer and this bodes really well for another really exciting set of Inter House competitions in the year to come. Which house has what it takes to be victorious in season 2017-18? Good luck to all! Don't forget to keep doing your daily mile so you stay fit, healthy and fully primed ready for all the sports opportunities on offer. Things kick-off next week with the first Inter House football competition taking place over Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday lunchtime.



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As we begin the new academic year, there is a plethora of exciting sports events about to be put on the calendar and a multitude of extra-curricular activities on offer. Attached to the same e-mail as this newsletter should hopefully be a finalised version of all the extra-curricular clubs on offer this Autumn term. All before or after school clubs run by Goldsworth staff can now be signed up for via WisePay (closing date & time for sign up is 11:59pm on Thursday 14th September). All lunch time clubs offered are available to all those eligible - your child may attend by turning up at the right place at the right time. If you are interested in your child joining a club run by one of our external providers, then please contact the school office or the external provider directly for more information.





For many classes at Goldsworth, the mile a day has already become an integral part of their daily routine, but for other classes, the mile a day campaign might be just the beginning or in need of revival. For those of you who are new to the concept, the idea is that at some point in the school day, when the teacher deems it appropriate, the whole class will go out for approximately 10 minutes and exercise. For some, that means they are able to complete a mile (or more), for others it is a period of solid exercise (walking, jogging or running) where achieving a mile is the target to aim for. A white line has been drawn around the edge of the field so there is a clear route to follow; 6 laps = 1 mile. All research from other schools who have successfully embedded the scheme and the Goldsworth classes who went for it last year, suggest it has the power to greatly improve each child's concentration/self-esteem/capacity for learning/overall health & fitness etc so if you get the chance to further promote this activity at home, this would be very much appreciated.

Ian Lyon
PE Co-ordinator

* Assessment workshop for parents *

As a response to the parent/carer survey taken at the end of last academic year, we would like to invite you to an evening workshop at which you'll find out about how we assess the children's progress at Goldsworth. We will guide you through internal reporting of progress, what information is shared for statutory assessments, where to find the expectations for each subject for each year group and 'Assessment for Learning', our approach to day-to-day assessment. The evening will be split into two parts:

- EYFS and KS1 (Reception to Year 2)
- KS2 (Year 3 to Year 6)

The workshop will take place on **Wednesday 20th September**, with the **EYFS and KS1 section starting at 7pm** and the **KS2 section starting at 7:30pm**.

We really hope that you'll be able to join us, but if you're not able to make it, a slide show with commentary will be made available on our website after the event.

Mr May

Assessment Coordinator

Wise Owl Club

Invoices for September are being issued today and Monday for children who were attending Wise Owl last term. For new children and new Reception siblings, invoices will be issued early next week.

As always, invoices must be paid in full (either via Wisepay or Childcare vouchers) within 14 days. If you have any queries regarding your invoice or Wise Owl booking please contact Nicky, Club Manager or Lorraine Mills, Business Manager wiseowl@goldsworthprimary.co.uk

Thank you

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Chill Out Club

We are going to be running a daily chill out club at lunch times for children that would like some quiet time. If you have any games, puzzles or books that you no longer want, any donations would be gratefully received. Please take them to the front office and let them know it is for Mr May!

Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

School Lunches - Autumn Term 2017 -18

PRICE INCREASE TO SCHOOL LUNCHES

School lunches will increase in the Autumn term, Sept 2017. The amount will increase from £2.20 to £2.25 for a school lunch.

School lunches must be paid for in advance, either weekly or half-termly. Meals cost £2.25 each, so you would need to pay £11.25 for the week or £74.25 for the next half term (33 days). It is your responsibility to ensure that there is money in the account. Should this not be the case, we will ask you to bring in a packed lunch. Please check your WisePay account and adjust your payment accordingly. Thank you.

Lee-Anne van Heerden Office Manager



Apps are continually being created and can be a safeguarding issue so I would like to pass on any information we are provided with to help you keep your child safe. Please read the attached about Snap Maps and Roblox.



Miss Simpson (Designated Safeguarding Lead

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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

Bookings for the panto will close in September.



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Just a quick update to invite you to 'Save the Date' for a couple of events coming up;

Friday 13th October - Quiz Night Saturday 4th November - Fireworks Night

Further details will be coming out soon, along with a date for our AGM.

Remember, we are still on the lookout for a Chair to take over the Friends for the next year!

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Swimming

Curriculum swimming lessons

There are still a large number of parents/carers who have not, as yet, made a contribution to the curriculum swimming lessons for this academic year. If you have not already done so, please can you now make payment via Wisepay. If you are unsure whether you have paid, you can check via the 'My Wise Account' section of Wisepay which shows your last 50 transactions. (This reminder does not apply to parents in year 6 and year 1 who are paying via standing order).

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.

Dates for Your Diary

KEY DATES

Curriculum Evenings

Year 1 & 2: Wednesday 13th September 6pm – 7pm Year 3 & 4: Thursday 14th September 6pm – 7pm Year 5 & 6: Tuesday 12th September 6pm – 7pm

Inset Day

Monday 30th October 2017

Click for School Term and Holiday Dates