



Dear Parents,

We have been delighted to welcome our guests from Shanghai this week. Miss Wang and Mr Ou have settled in well to life at Goldsworth, which we are finding out is very different in some aspects, but very similar in others. Years 2 and 6 have been enjoying being taught by them and we are learning much about maths teaching through listening, discussing and watching their lessons. The Pupil Parliament have been very busy looking after our visitors and the press officers have taken great photos and asked all the best questions. I'm sure you will be getting a full report from them in due course.



Year 3 had a great day on Monday for Victorian day and enjoyed experiencing a little of what it was like to live as a Victorian child. They attended a Victorian school and (I hope!) realised that teachers are much kinder and lessons are much more interactive these days!

Our value for this half term is Truth. Please take time to talk to your children about how important it is to be truthful. Perhaps you have examples from your own life where you have learnt that telling the truth has been the best thing you could have done.



Thank you for attending your parent consultation meetings this week. I hope you found the information given was useful and will help you going forward to support your child at home. Thank you also to the staff who I know always enjoy meeting with you.

The fireworks event run by the Friends of Goldsworth was a great success last weekend. Thank you to all those who worked hard to make it such a success.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Kozlowski (Head of School)

Shanghai Visit

We would like to make parents aware of the need to be extremely vigilant at drop off and pick up time over the next two weeks. We are expecting a lot of extra visitors in the school due to our Shanghai Exchange and they will be travelling in unfamiliar surroundings.

Please ensure you follow all of the schools' guidelines, take extra care on the road and remember to use the footpaths provided at all times.

Many thanks

The School Office



SPORTS NEWS

Goldsworth Primary School Dominate Netball Fixture against Brookwood

A last minute alteration to this fixture saw it moving to an away fixture at Brookwood. Fully prepared after some intense netball training sessions with Mrs Stanley over the past few weeks, the team of Mana Tanaka, Rebecca W, Sophie N, Poppy T, Bella H, Iris Hill, Maia T & Jasmine B took to the court on a mission to impress. Maintaining excellent shape and passing intensity throughout, the girls moved the ball around the court impressively creating many shooting chances. After the first goal was scored, our GA & GS players relaxed into their shooting rhythm and goals continued to come steadily throughout the match with the girls ending up victors by an impressive 6-1. Well done to everybody involved. Let's hope this is the start of a very successful netball season. A massive thank you must also go to Mrs Tanaka & Mrs Hornzee who, when the fixture was changed to an away match, stepped in at the last minute to provide transport for the players over to Brookwood.

Daily Mile News

Our Daily Mile campaign continues to go from strength to strength with all Junior classes and Year 2 trying to partake in the daily mile (or smaller version of) at least 3-5 times a week. To see all the children striving to achieve their own personal best and improve their physical fitness continues to be an awe inspiring site every day. As the weather gets colder and the field becomes boggy, 6 laps of the field converts to 5 circuits of both playgrounds combined. Keep up the excellent work – this focus on your health and fitness will benefit all aspects of your life in the future.

This week our year 4 & 5 gymnasts took part in our first inter house gymnastics floor competition of the year. Due to sickness, a few gymnasts are still to compete so a full report will follow in next week's edition.

Next week on Tuesday afternoon our year 4 football team enter St Andrew's Football tournament. With only 9 players able to be selected, it was an incredibly hard job selecting the team – at least 30 children within the year group were on the radar as potential squad players. Those not selected, please don't be disappointed by this setback. Keep working on your football skills, striving to be the best you can be and next time you may find yourself on the team sheet – hopefully, those in the squad this time will justify their selection with an excellent display of sportsmanship, teamwork and skill. Good luck to everybody involved.

Ian Lyon PE Co-ordinator

School Lunches – Autumn 2017

Just a reminder there will be new menu out after the October half term break. There will be no jacket potatoes for the first 3 weeks of the new half term. We would like to encourage the children to try new and different foods.

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 £85.50 for the next half term (38 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.

Lee-Anne van Heerden
Office Manager



Flu Vaccination

We understand that some schools are receiving negative publicity regarding the childhood flu vaccine that is being offered. To reassure parents, the NHS have produced a YouTube video explaining the safety and the benefits of the vaccination. Our nasal flu vaccinations will be carried out on Friday 17th November 2017.

Please see the following link for the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1jHWwm8NQUw>

Language of the Month

The language of the month for November is **Mandarin**.

Mandarin is spoken by more people than any other language; over 1 billion. It is the main language of government, the media and education in China and Taiwan, and one of the four official languages in Singapore. There are also significant numbers of Mandarin speakers in Malaysia, Indonesia, Russia, the USA, Mongolia, Vietnam, Brunei, South Africa, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Hong Kong, the Philippines, UK and Mauritius.

Please find attached the first words in Mandarin.

You can also listen to the pronunciation of these words on the following website:

<http://www.newburyparkschool.net/langofmonth/mandarin/player.html>

Thank you

The MFL team

Forest School

We are asking for volunteers to join us on Saturday 9th December from 10:00-1:00 to plant our new Forest School area and clear the current Forest School area. Children are welcome but are the responsibility of parents. Please sign up in the front office if you are able to come and include your email address and whether you have tools available to bring.

James Howell – We would like to ask parent helpers on Saturday the 9th December to help put new trees in the new environmental area. This will be up on the infant field and hopefully your sons and daughters will really enjoy playing and learning in it. We will be planting around 100 trees. Some will grow and some will not grow.

We are also looking to plant some more mature trees so if you would like to donate a mature tree then please let me know.

Miss Eagle



The Friends of Goldsworth

Fireworks Night

This was a fantastic night with a great turnout. Many thanks to all volunteers, especially to the Big Bang Crew for an amazing display! We will publish details of funds raised on the [Friends of Goldsworth website](#) soon.

Christmas Fayre - Friday 8th December

Yes it's nearly Christmas already! Our events team is busy preparing for this year's Fayre on Friday 8th December from 5 - 7pm.

We will of course be needing your help and donations to make this another successful event.

Please see attached flyer for more details or contact us on xmasfayre@goldsworthfriends.org.uk

Happy School Bag

Don't forget next **Tuesday 14th November** is Happy School Bag day. Please drop bags off at the infant bike shed as in previous collections.

Attention - The Friends of Goldsworth invite any and all parents, grandparents, and staff of Goldsworth Primary to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting to confirm the appointment of the new Chair and Vice-Chair of the Friends of Goldsworth, PTA. This meeting is a requirement per our constitution to ensure we keep our charitable status and are able to continue to run fundraising events for the benefit of the students at Goldsworth Primary.

Please join us on **Tuesday, 5 December from 7:30 to 8:00 pm** in the middle Year 6 Classroom. This will be a short meeting, but we will need at least 15 attendees to validate the appointment of the new Chair and Vice Chair.

The Friends of Goldsworth