



Be the best we can be

Head's Lines

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another fun and exciting half term. We have already got off to a productive start with our jam packed INSET day where we focused on two of our school priorities this year: reading and our curriculum offer. We had sessions on how we are developing reading further through the school and our Art and Science curriculum offer.

We trust that those of you who attended the online safety workshop found it useful, any feedback would be appreciated to ensure we continue to support our family's needs.

The children have also had a busy week with year 1 enjoying their perform workshop with lots of pupil participation in this enriching experience. In assembly this week we spoke about our new value for this half term, courage. We began by thinking about fear and bravery and how courage was often frightening as it usually happens after we feel fear, small or alone. We then explored how true courage could be the recognition that we cannot carry our burdens all alone. It could be a scared, exhausted voice saying to a friend 'I don't think I can do this. I need help.' Lastly, we talked about how to encourage – to give courage. The children left thinking about these questions:

- When someone we know in our community at home or in school is feeling fear and doubting themselves what can we do to give them courage?
- What can we do which is better than saying 'be brave' and walking away? What can we do to show them that they are not all alone?

We will continue to explore the value of courage and how courage is small day-by-day, minute-by-minute and second-by-second acts and making lots of small, hard decisions as well as big choices or judgements.

We are excited about World Book Day and the learning opportunities it brings. The Pupil Parliament have been busy considering ways to help our community and I love their idea of bringing in a pre-loved book to share with their chosen charity. The children will also be able to bring a book that is linked to their chosen costume on the Tuesday, there is lots more details below. It will also be great for families to support the scholastic book fair as this then ensures more books for our school.

Have a lovely weekend and happy reading all.

With best wishes,

Caroline McLennan
Headteacher

Important Notices:

Please ensure you have the term dates in your diary. The school will not be able to authorise any term time holidays, so please ensure you book within holiday periods.

School dates:

2022-2023 INSET DAYS:

Monday 20th February 2023
Friday 7th July 2023

2023-2024 INSET DAYS:

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 4th September 2023
Tuesday 5th September 2023
Monday 30th October 2023
Tuesday 2nd January 2024
Monday 19th February 2024

Weekly Reminders

Whole School	<p>An announcement from Pupil Parliament: World book day is coming !!!</p> <p>We would like to ask the children to bring in a pre-loved book or old book that has been read or unwanted, for a donation to the pediatric ward (children's ward) in nearby hospitals. It will also be related to our new school value of the month courage and bravery.</p>																																																																
Reception	<p>A quick reminder for reception pupils to bring in/email a photo of their Mum ready for an upcoming art project.</p> <p>Next week we will also be creating our own 'Super Vegetable' characters, linked to our current text of Supertato. Please can we ask for fruit and vegetable donations to be given to class teachers on Tuesday 27th February. We appreciate there is a shortage of these in the supermarkets at the moment, so where possible please send in something you already have lying around at home (it doesn't matter if they are past their best, we will not be consuming them!) One or two pieces of fruit/vegetables per child will be plenty.</p>																																																																
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Boom Reader

Thank you to all the children who are reading throughout the week and the parents/carers who are recording this on the Boom reader app. This week we have had a total of 784 reads! Well done, everyone!

This week 87% of the children in 6C read during the week, great work children!
73% of 6L class read this week; fantastic!
60% of 6MD reading throughout the week; great effort children!

Well done Year 6!

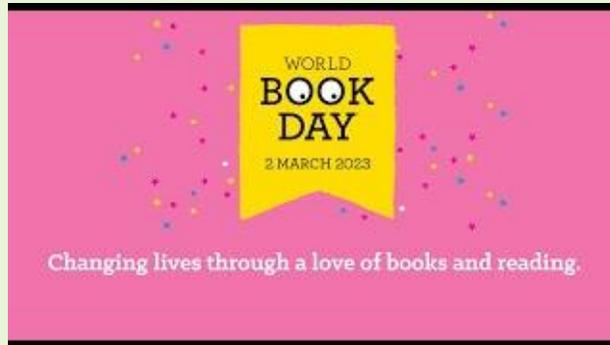
Please continue to support your child by encouraging them to read a least, 3 times a week and recording this on the app.

Thank you.

6MD assembly

Well done to 6MD for putting together a wonderful assembly about everything they have been learning! It was really impressive to see how the children had taken full ownership of all aspects of the assembly from putting together short sketches about each subject, to creating the PowerPoint and running it - they even managed to get in some audience participation. The biggest highlight had to be the smiles on their faces as they shared their learning about football, gymnastics, swimming in PE, non-chronological reports in Literacy, strategies in Maths, adaptation in science, creating games in computing and their debate about Guy Fawkes in Guided Reading. Well done! It was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

World Book Day



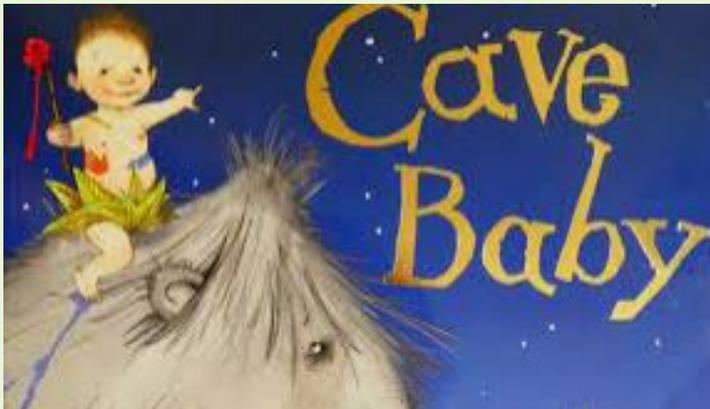
We will be celebrating World Book day at Goldsworth on **Tuesday 28th February**. We would like to invite all of the children to come into school on this day dressed up as their favourite book character, and bring the book with them to share with their class. There will be a competition for the best costume in each year group and a prize of choosing a new book.

Rather than asking for a £1 donation for dressing up, our Pupil Parliament would like to encourage the children to donate a pre loved book and bring this into school on this day. These will then be distributed to a charity chosen by the children.

Scholastic Book Fair

Please make sure that you make time to visit the Scholastic Book Fair with your child/ren on either Tuesday 28th February or Thursday 2nd March from 3.20pm – 4pm. **Please note that this is a cashless book fair, payment will be made online by scanning the school's QR code using your mobile phone. Once payment is confirmed, books can be taken from the fair.**

Homework for this week will be related to World Book day and further details will follow.



<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/chapter-one/julia-donaldson-2-week-15>

Sports Update

Report from Mr Funnell, Goldsworth Girls Football Coach:

Having trained hard for the last term and a half at the girl's football club our under 9 girls' team took to the field against St John's in, what was for most of them, their 1st ever competitive match. Taking charge of their 1st managerial post in football Kimberley and Eva from the year 6 team picked a perfectly balanced group to start the match and with an inspirational team talk before the match, reminiscent of Sarina Wiegman, the girls headed out onto the pitch. A brisk start saw Goldsworth race to a 3-0 lead with goals from Ava, Rose and Carys followed by a further 3 leaving the match all but decided as they headed into half time. A number of changes and a switch of Goalie at half time saw Zoe, Katie, Immy and Oliwia enter the fray. St John's got a goal back early on following an incredible individual effort from their captain, but Goldsworth responded with more goals from Leila, Carys, Immy and the goal of the day from Oliwia all possible due to the high tempo set by Charlotte, Lucie, Zoe, and Katie. Player of the match (as voted by St John's) was Ava but could well have been every single one of them. 10-1 the final score, an incredible start to the girls' football careers and we should be very excited about what this group of girls are going to be able to achieve on the field in the coming years.



Football Friendly Match

On the 23rd of February the Under 11 girls' team took on St John's in a match that proved to be a very interesting and enjoyable game.

The game started with a Goldsworth kick off and an early goal by Evie (a Goldsworth player). By half time the score was 3-0 and the girls came off the pitch to talk with Mrs Cox and Miss Baird who helpfully stepped in to coach the girls while their coach was refereeing the other game. When the girls stepped back onto the pitch they were feeling confident and ready to play.

The score for this match was 5 - 0 to Goldsworth Primary School. The people who scored were;

- Georgia-Ranee
- Evie T
- Evie C
- Seraphina

We would like to congratulate St John's for taking part in this event and trying their hardest as it was a delightful match and we hope that you enjoyed it. We really appreciate the gesture from their team because without them there would be no match to play.

We would like to thank Bob for refereeing this match and Miss Baird for supporting the team. We would also like to thank Mrs Cox for giving us enthusiasm and always cheering us on. We would like to thank Eva and Kimberley for standing in as co-coaches for not only the Year 6 team but the Year 4 and 3 team as well.

Credit to everyone who played this match:

Goalkeeper: Sophie

Defenders: Grace, Maria and Michaela

Midfielders: Georgia-Ranee, Seraphina and Florence

Strikers: Evie T and Evie C

Thank you, Evie T for taking Sophie's spot as the goalkeeper so that Sophie could have time out on pitch as a midfielder.

The match was 40 minutes long with each half being 20 minutes and half time being 10 minutes. There were substitutions every few minutes with 7 people on and 2 people substituted each time.

Written By: Eva H, Florence and Grace.

From Mr Worth:

For these games to go ahead there are a number of thanks to be said. Firstly to Mr Funnell for coaching the girls this season, Miss Baird for 'Managing' the U11s for their game, and also to Bob the caretaker for refereeing one of the matches.

Well done to all the girls, we are incredibly proud of you.

Key Dates for Spring Term

Please check this weekly as new dates may be published. We will indicate these in red.

Date	Event	Year Group	Community Participation
February			
Monday 27.02.23	Spring term Parent forum (9-9:45am, main hall)	YR - Y6	Class reps invited to meet with the Headteacher
Tuesday 28.02.23	Goldsworth celebrate World Book Day	Whole school	Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character, further details to follow
March			
Wednesday 01.03.23 to Friday 03.03.23	Year 5 Sayers Croft residential	Y5	Y5 children
Monday 06.03.23	Fantastic Fred Experience Mental Health Workshop	Y1 – Y6	Y1 – Y6 children
Tuesday 14.03.23	SEND Parent consultations (3-5.30pm)	YR – Y6	Parents/carers of children with ISPs will be invited to sign up for a 1:1 meeting with the class teacher. Further information to follow.
Thursday 16.03.23	Y2 Brooklands trip	Y2	Y2 children
Friday 17.03.23	Mother's Day performance (2.45pm, infant playground)	YR	YR children. Mothers/carers of children in YR are invited to attend the performance
Monday 20.03.23 to Wednesday 22.03.23	Year 4 residential to Henley Fort	Y4	Y4 children
Tuesday 21.03.23 Thursday 23.03.23	Parent consultations	YR/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y5/Y6	Further details have been emailed to all parents. Bookings can be done on Parent Mail.
Tuesday 28.03.23 Thursday 30.03.23	Year 4 parent consultations	Y4	Further details have been emailed to all parents. Bookings can be done on Parent Mail.
Thursday 30.03.23	Infant Easter Service	YR – Y2	Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 children and parent/carer helpers will attend the service
Friday 31.03.23	Junior Easter Service	Juniors (Y3 – Y6)	Junior children & parent/carer helpers will attend the service
Friday 31.03.23	End of Term – school closes at 1:15pm	Whole School	Whole school
03.04.23 to 14.04.23 - school closed for Easter holidays			