Newsletter 20th October 2023

Be the best we can be

Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware we had our Ofsted inspection this week and what made us most proud, of course, was the children! They were so keen to talk to inspectors about all that they are learning and all about their experience in school. Their friendliness, kindness and values were obvious which was an absolute joy! The staff also worked incredibly hard, as always, to support the inspection, so I extend my personal thanks to each of them. We will share the report with you as soon as we are able, but it is likely to be several weeks before it is published.

The Harvest assembly took place indoors this morning because of the wet weather, so we are sorry you were not able to join us for that, but we can tell you that the children sang beautifully and thought about how if we share the best of all that we have in terms of our resources and ourselves, this will make life better for everyone. Thank you to all of you who have brought in items that we will deliver to the food bank.

Thanks also to all the parents who helped at the tuck shop yesterday. It's always a highlight for the children!

Having shared my spider's web picture with you last week, I have a red toadstool for you this week which made me smile! Remember, if you have any beautiful Autumnal photos, please send them in to the office and we can include them in the newsletter.

I do wish you all a very happy half term break and hope you have some relaxing time getting out and about in this beautiful season.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

Mrs Kozlowski





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

Governor News

Following the recent election, we are delighted to welcome **Louisa Croudace** to the board of governors as our new parent governor. Due to a resignation, we have also appointed **Gary Stephens** as a new community governor. Governors invest valuable time and energy into the role and we thank both candidates for being willing to support the school community in this way.

School dates:

2023-2024 INSET DAYS:

Monday 30th October 2023 Tuesday 2nd January 2024 Monday 19th February 2024

Weekly Reminders

		n (Please do not drop ch			
	8 10 Children sh		ldren off any ea	arlier)	
	0.40 CHILDIEH 310	ould be in class for registi	ation		
	15.15 Gates ope	Ŭ			
	15.20 School Fini				
	15.30 Gates are				
			walk/cycle thro	ugh the car park at any ti	
	the pavements.			ogn me car park arany m	ine, pieuse use
Reception	Quick reminder to always check the calendar (sent out at the beginning of each half term) before Friday. This indicates whether your child needs to wear PE kit or Forest School on a Friday.				
Year 1	Year 1 Assembly - Parents/Carers are invited to join us for our Year 1 Assembly on Thursday 9am, in the school hall. Snacks- If your child is bringing a snack from home, it must be a healthy snack. No nuts/r products. One snack only please. We would encourage the children to eat the fruit prov the school.			Thursday, at	
	Books- Rememb	er to bring reading folde	ers to school on	Fridays.	
	-			ys should not be brought t hey can gift the class a bo	
Year 2	Bats' have swimming week starting Monday 30th October, please remember your swimming kits.				
Year 3	No reminders				
Year 4	4E have swimming week starting Monday 30th October, please remember your swimming kits.				
Year 5	No reminders				
Year 6	No reminders				
The Haven	No reminders				
Whales	No reminders				
Dolphins	Dolphins have Forest School on Monday afternoons - please would you ensure that your child has appropriate clothing (long sleeves, trousers, clothes, shoes/Wellies that you don't mind getting muddy) and a spare pair of shoes for the rest of the day in order for them to take part and make the most of it! Thank you				
Thursday Class/Year	Parents/carers are invited to attend their child/ren Class/Year Group Assemblies:				
Group Assemblies (9:00- 9:30)		-			_
	Thursday	Class/Year Group	Thursday Year 2	Class/Year Group	_
	Year 1 19.10.23	Year 1	18.01.24	Bats	_
	29.02.24	Otters	02.05.24	Rabbits	
	07.03.24	Owls	16.05.24	Badgers	_
	21.03.24	Foxes	No Year Gr	oup assembly	
	Year 3		Year 4		
	23.11.23	3B	30.11.23	4HD	_
	14.12.23	3G	25.01.24	4C	_
	28.03.24	3H Xoor 2	08.02.24	4E Year 4	_
	27.06.24 Year 3 Year 5		25.04.24 Year 4 Year 6		-
	14.03.24	Year 5	07.12.23	6H	
	09.05.24	5C	01.02.24	6P	
	23.05.24	5J	20.06.24	6DF	
	13.06.24	5G		oup assembly	
				ates will be confirmed in a	
	riedse note k	eception have two asser	nolles a year, a	ales will be confirmed in c	iue course.

Swimming Timetable

Please refer to the swimming timetable below for the forthcoming two weeks. Please ensure that your child/ren have their swimming kit on the day their class is due to swim.

Week commencing	Session	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
^{30th} October	AM	4E	4E	4E	4E
	PM	Bats	Bats	Bats	Bats
^{06th} November	AM	4C	4C	4C	4C
	PM	Badgers	Badgers	Badgers	Badgers

Key Dates for Autumn Term

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

Date	Event	Year Group	Community Participation
November			
Friday, 3rd November 9am	Happy School Bags	ALL	Full bags to be return to school on Friday 3rd November by 9am
Sunday 5th November 4.30-7pm	Diwali Fireworks Festival	ALL	
Tuesday 14 th November	Medieval Knights & Castles workshop	Year 2	
Friday 17 th November	Planetarium at Winston	Year 5	
w/c 20 th November	Road Safety awareness week		
Wednesday 29th November	Rock Steady concert	parents of children who attend Rock Steady are welcome to attend	2pm in Sports Hall
December			
Friday 1st December	Christmas disco	ALL	Reception 3.30-4.30pm

House Points

Well done to **Rowling House** for achieving a total of **1054** House points! which means that Rowling house can come into school on the first day back, Tuesday 31st October, in non-uniform house colours.

Well done to all who have earnt House points.

Rowling - 1054

Einstein - 1039

Attenborough – 965

Nightingale – 795

Lunchtime Clubs

Day	12-12.30pm	12.30-1pm
Monday	Art & Creativity Club Years 3-6 with Mrs Knight (3G)	
Tuesday		
Wednesday	TTRS Club Years 3-6 with Mrs Henderson/ Mrs Dean (4HD) 12-12.30pm Book Club Years 1 & 2 with Mrs Davies (Rabbits) 12.15-12.45pm	
Thursday	Maths Club Years 4-6 with Mrs Barrett (3B) Drama Club Years 3-6 with Mrs Edwards (4E)	Maths Club Years 2 &3 with Mrs Foley (Badgers)
Friday	Art & Creativity Club Years 1 & 2 with Mrs Samuel (Otters) 12-12.30pm Love to Write Club Years 1 & 2 with Mrs Rickett (Otters) 12.15-12.45pm Spanish Club Years 3-4 with Mrs Strang (3B)	

Goldsworth Sporting Events

Year 6 Girls Football

Last week the Year 6 Girls Football team embarked on an unforgettable year of football starting with the Woking schools' national qualifiers tournament on Friday 13th October. While we may not have claimed victory in any of our games, our experience was packed with excitement, laughter and invaluable life lessons. Join me as I recount our epic quest!

Our journey began with high hopes and big dreams. Our spirited players boasted enormous hearts and unparalleled enthusiasm with a team spirit that outshone any other team present. Newly crowned captain Sydney led the girls out onto the field for the first of 3 tough matches in one of the strongest groups in the tournament. Leading from the back, Sydney drove the girls on against St Dunstan's with Lexie, Amy and Holly all coming close to scoring in the initial phases of our first game. Termeh and Lucy battled away to keep the opposition out of our half and away from our goal, but one lucky break saw their attack get through, and the girls dropped behind. Despite continual attacks, the ball just didn't drop for us, and the game ended in a spirted defeat. After a regroup and a couple of changes, match 2 saw us take on Beaufort with Elsie, lssy, Sophia and Serena entering the action against another strong team. Beaufort quickly took the lead, but the girls kept on battling away with some crucial tackles and with Sydney pulling off a series of wonderful saves reminiscent of Mary Earps' heroics in the world cup. A sensational goal from Serena set the game alight but wasn't enough for the girls in green and gold, with Beaufort coming out on top. Horsell Juniors (one of the strongest in the tournament) were our final opponents, despite some dogged defending, Horsell proved too much this time round. Ending on a high, the girls excelled in a brief friendly with St John's where the girls bounced back with goals a plenty to round of an enjoyable afternoon of football fun.

The goals may have seemed elusive during the tournament, but our team quickly learned that the real goal was the strength and unity of the team during some tricky matches celebrating every shot on goal and every save made. While the scores may not have been in our favour, the crowd cheered for our unmatched sportsmanship and unyielding spirit. We won the hearts of the spectators with our smiles, high fives and endless determination.

With our heads held high and our spirits higher we emerged from the tournament as champions in our own right, proving that victory is about more than just numbers on a scoreboard. This journey will be etched in our memories as the most amusing and positive football tournament ever. Well done girls, and here's to a great year of football ahead of us!



Mr Funnell (Coach)

Amy, Holly, Lexie, Sydney (GK), Termeh , Lucy, Elsie, Issy, Sophia, Serena

Year 6 Boys Football

On Friday 13th October, our incredible Year 6 Boys Football team (Rory, Luke, Ethan, Noah, Naya, William, Reggie, Shaine and Seth) came home the winners of the Woking schools' national qualifiers tournament! This means that Goldsworth will now go on to represent Woking in the Surrey round of the tournament later in the season. Our captain, Rory and vicecaptain, Luke, lead our team through every match and ensured that the team worked together at all times and showed great sportsmanship. Every single one of our players shone throughout the morning and we could not be prouder of every single one of them. No matter what position they were in, everyone knew their role and were determined to win. The way the boys played together was amazing to watch. From Ethan's command of the goal and his fantastic saves, to the incredible way the boys worked together to create opportunities was inspiring. At the back, Luke, Seth and Shaine dominated and worked to get the ball forward to our strikers. Rory, Naya and Reggie commanded mid-field and always looked for opportunities to move us forward and cover where needed. Up front, Noah and William drove towards the goal and continued to put pressure on at every moment. Throughout, we saw great sportsmanship, some incredible goals, strikes that hit the bar, saves that we couldn't even imagine, but most of all, we saw a group of boys showing their love of the game and the ability to work as a team to come out on top.

The initial round of the tournament saw us in one of the toughest pools, but our boys went in confident that together they could come out victorious. Our campaign started against St Dunstan's where Naya scored 2 brilliant goals to secure us a 2 1 win. Our next game was New Haw, which saw another goal from Naya and Rory's first goal of the tournament and some tremendous saves from Ethan in goal. Next, was Hermitage. This game ended in a one all draw following a brilliant strike from our top scorer, Naya and incredible defending from all of the boys. The final game of our pool saw us take on Horsell where we secured a 3 1 win with goals from Rory, Naya and William.

Next, we came up against West Byfleet in the semi-finals and our boys continued to played tremendously as a team with Naya and Rory both scoring. This team was tough competition and our whole team defended at every moment ensuring our 2 1 victory. The finals were next, and we were facing St Mary's. Our boys knew that first place was in reach and the Goldsworth team really showed that they had dared to dream. They went into the game confident and at every moment, the boys encouraged each other and believed in themselves. With two exceptional goals from Noah, we ended the final as winners with a final 2 1 victory. When the final whistle blew, elation spread through the team and their families there supporting them.

Well done boys, you played brilliantly and we look forward to the next round! A huge thank you to all of the parents who came to support and to Neal Waters for supporting Miss Baird to coach the team.



Rory, Luke, Ethan, Noah, Naya, William, Reggie, Shaine and Seth

Year 5 & 6 Gymnastics

Results year 5 floor routine

Einstein 187 Points

Rowling 184 Points

Nightingale 137 Points

Attenborough 79 Points



Individual results year 5 floor routine

First Place Alice Second Place Dana Third place Hannah, Matthew and Imogen Hill

Results year 6 floor routine

Einstein 151 Points

Rowling 138 Points

Nightingale 90 Points

Attenborough 74 Points



Individual results year 6 floor routine

First Place Amy Second Place Elise Third place Alma and Kerthana Join us on Tuesday 14th November at 9am to understand the benefits of reading and how to support your child to become a lifelong reader at home.

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Parents of Years 2- 6 welcome



School Meals



We have now moved to ordering **Schools Meals via the Arbor app!** Please make sure you place your meal choices over the October half term.



Pick up Arrangements

To ensure we are safeguarding our pupils, we will only allow siblings aged 14 or over, to collect a child from school. We will require a form to be filled out to confirm this, as shown below. This form can be picked up from the school office. We have taken guidance from the DfE and from the NSPCC when making these decisions.

Parents and carers are expected to arrive at school by 3:20pm to collect their child/ren - the school gates open at 3:15pm. It is important that parents and carers are punctual for this as it can affect a child's wellbeing if a parent/carer is not there at the end of the day. Teaching staff often have clubs or meetings after the school day, so they are not able to keep a child beyond this time.

If a child hasn't been collected, the teacher will take the child to the office to be collected from there. The school will keep a record of times when a parent/carer is late to pick up their child/ren and the headteacher or senior leader may request a meeting with the parent/carer to discuss the issue, if this becomes a regular occurrence. If a child is not picked up by 3:45pm, due to the school office closing at 4pm, they will be taken to Wise Owl after school provision and a charge will be made for this.

I wish to inform you that my child will be collected by their older sibling. I can confirm that their older sibling is at least 14 years of age and I as the parent accept full responsibility for their welfare walking home from school.

I will notify you if these arrangements change.

Child's name:	
Class:	
Name of older sibling co	llecting:
Signed:	Date:
Print Name:	

Parking and Playground Equiptment

Parking

We have been made aware of some recent parking issues at school drop off and collection times. The school do not have any agreement in place to park in the **Bridge Barn Pub** or in the private car park spaces at **Waterside Chambers**. We appreciate parking is difficult at these times, however for access and safety reasons please be considerate to residents and other drivers.

Playground Equipment

For Health and Safety reasons, please do not allow your children to play on the playground equipment before or after school.

Bikeability Cycling Instructors

The Cycle Training Team at Surrey County Council are recruiting for Bikeability Cycling Instructors. Please see link below for further information.

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs/search/details?id=29155

PE Lessons/Earrings

PE lessons and children with earrings - We have reviewed our policy and for safety reasons, if children are unable to remove their earrings for PE lessons, they will not be able to join in the physical activity part of the lesson.

Wise Owl Club

Due to the Wise Owl After-school club and for safe-guarding reasons with children playing outside in the playground, please can you kindly wait behind the green gate by the swimming pool when you are waiting to collect your child/children from another club/football club. Your child will then come over to the gate and meet you at the end of their club.

Your co-operation in this matter is much appreciated.

Wise Owl have had lots of emails regarding spaces and the waiting list since we started back in September. Unfortunately, the waiting list is still closed, and spaces for the club are not being offered at this current time. When the waiting list reopens, or a space is available to be offered to your child, you will be notified via email.



Many Thanks, Dawn - Wise Owl Manager

Friends of Goldworth News

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the second-hand uniform sale on Monday, we raised a fantastic $\pm 151.10!$

Dates for your diary

Friday, 3rd November – Happy School Bags

Children should have come home with a 'Happy School Bag' this week. Please fill it (or any normal plastic bag) with your pre-loved clothing, ensuring that all items placed in the bags are in clean, REUSABLE condition, and return to school on **Friday 3rd November by 9am**. Every kilo donated raises money for the school!

Sunday, 5th November – Diwali Fireworks Night

Tickets are available to buy from <u>www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth</u>. Please note, tickets will not be available to buy at the gate on the day, so book your tickets now to avoid disappointment.

If you are planning to be at the fireworks from the start, please consider signing up as a fire marshal. All we would require you to do is to ensure that no one crosses the barrier while the firework display is in progress. The only reason we need fire marshals present from the start of the event is in case the start time of display needs to be moved forward due to bad weather. Without fire marshals, unfortunately our display cannot go ahead.

Friday, 1st December – Festive Disco

The school disco times are as follows:

Reception: 3.30 - 4.30pm

Years 1 and 2: 4.45 - 5.45pm

Years 3 and 4: 6 – 7pm

Years 5 and 6: 7.15 - 8.30pm

Tickets are available to buy from <u>www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth</u>.

We always need volunteers to help run these events, so if you can spare some time, please register to help out at <u>Friends of Goldsworth Primary School (pta-events.co.uk)</u>, or sign up when you book tickets.

Christmas Card Printing

You should all have received an order form for Christmas cards this week, either with your child's design already completed on the back, or with a blank side on which they can complete their design at home. If completing/adding to the design at home, please ensure nothing (eg glitter or cotton wool) is glued to it, or it won't scan well for printing.

If you would like to place an order, please follow the following instructions:

- The original artwork is also the order form, so take care of it and keep it as flat as you can. Please note that this is the only version, there are no copies and so replacements cannot be supplied!

 Carefully fill out the information on the order form.
 - Put the correct money (cash only) in an envelope marked with your child's name and class.
 - Return both the money and the order form to the school office by Tuesday, 31st October.

Please note we can only accept the correct money for your order, no change will be given.

Remember to follow us on Facebook <u>www.facebook.com/friendsofgoldsworth</u> and Instagram <u>www.instagram.com/friendsofgoldworth</u> for updates and reminders. We also have a Costume Swap Facebook group set up, where you can borrow costumes for Halloween or school dress up days <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/2057262757820608</u>.

Finally, if you would like to join our parent/carer helpers WhatsApp group, click <u>here</u>. We have a number of small, "behind the scenes" tasks that we would really appreciate some help with, if you can spare an hour or an evening.

Half term Hedgehog Workshops

https://www.surreyhillssociety.org/events/october-half-term-hedgehog-10am-workshop/

October Half Term Hedgehog Workshops

Date: Monday 23 October Times: 10am – 11am and 11.30am – 12.30pm Location: Newlands Corner Discovery Centre, Albury Downs Car park, GU4 8SE Cost: £9.50 per child (includes a signed copy of Hedgehogs Don't Live in the City! (RRP £7.99). Adults go FREE!

Join local author, Lucy Reynolds, for a hedgehog themed workshop and interactive storytime where she will read her 'Hedgehogs Don't Live in the City!' story book. Lucy's interactive story session will help to inspire a love of the natural world through charming narrative and a gentle focus on how we can help our endangered prickly friends.

Storytime will be followed by a fun filled craft workshop before heading outdoors to join the Surrey Hills Society who will be on hand to show how they monitor and track this rare, distinctive, and endangered creature. The workshops are aimed at children aged 3-9 years old.

"Hedgehogs are precious and rare - this book celebrates the wonder of nature, and what we can all do together to preserve this incredible species" (Ben Fogle, Explorer, Broadcaster and Patron of the British Hedgehog Preservation Society)

Please book your space for the workshop in advance.

The link to book your space for the 10am session can be found <u>here</u>.

The link to book your space for the 11:30am session can be found <u>here</u>.



