



Be the best we can be

Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

I had the pleasure of watching 3B's class assembly yesterday which was a summary of their learning in so many different areas of the curriculum. We had a Viking dance, top tips for subtraction in maths, scientific forces, speaking in Spanish and a Victorian school experience which was rather severe to say the least!

Year 6 enjoyed their visit to the Imperial War Museum and saw lots of amazing artefacts that really brought that period of history to life for them, deepening their understanding of what life was like and how the war was fought.

Reception parents attended a workshop on how we help children to develop physically through our curriculum. Thank you to the staff who made this happen and I hope that parents found it useful to think about this crucial area of development for their children.

This week has also seen year 5 children at a maths competition at Westfield School and the Pupil Parliament put on their own maths quiz for children at lunchtime. Both of these were great events and demonstrate the enthusiasm for maths in the school.

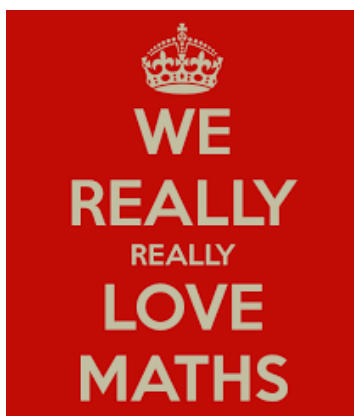
There has also been a football tournament for year 6 this week and I'm delighted to tell you our team were victorious! Miss Baird was particularly proud of the way the children demonstrated the Goldsworth values, so well done to the whole team!

Next week, don't forget to purchase tickets for the Friends of Goldsworth school disco on Friday which is always a popular event!

I hope you all have a super 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.

Staffing News

We said a sad goodbye to one of our longstanding members of staff this week. Mrs Nuttall, who has worked tirelessly in Reception for many years, has moved on to a new role in a different school. However, she will still come back to Goldsworth to offer Emotional Literacy Support to some of our youngest children.

Mrs Davies, our wonderful admissions and attendance officer has now moved out of the area, but has continued to carry out her role remotely, however, I am delighted to inform you that we have appointed Mrs Lizanne O'Connor as our new admissions and attendance officer, so you will see her in the front office from Monday.

We are also welcoming 2 other teaching assistants to the team on Monday. Marindi Strauss and Claudia Palacio will be working in our teams, and we are looking forward to getting to know them and working with them.

School dates:

2023-2024 INSET DAYS:

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 19th February 2024

Weekly Reminders

Whole School	<p>The School Day: 8.30 Gates open (Please do not drop children off any earlier) 8.40 Children should be in class for registration 15.15 Gates open 15.20 School Finishes 15.30 Gates are locked</p> <p>Now the weather has turned please can we remind all parents to make sure children have a coat, gloves and hat with them everyday.</p>																																																																
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Key Dates for Autumn Term

Date	Event	Year Group	Community Participation
November			
Tuesday 28 th November	Rock Steady concert (Aaron's band)	parents of children who attend Rock Steady are welcome to attend 2.15pm Start	
Wednesday 29 th November	Rock Steady concert (Colin's band)	parents of children who attend Rock Steady are welcome to attend	
December			
Friday 1 st December	Christmas disco	ALL	
Tuesday 5 th December	Hedgehogs Nativity (am)	Reception Parents to attend	
Tuesday 5 th December	Year 2 Nativity (pm)	Year 2 Parents to attend	
Wednesday 6 th December	Year 2 Nativity (am)	Year 2 Parents to attend	
Thursday 7 th December	Mice Nativity (am)	Reception Parents to attend	
Friday 8 th December	Moles Nativity (am)	Reception Parents to attend	
Friday 8 th December	Year 1 Carol service 2.15pm	Year 1	
Monday 11 th December	Year 6 Christingle 9am (Year 5 to attend)	Year 6 (Year 5 to attend)	
Monday 11 th December	Christmas parties (pm)	Year 1 & Year 3	
Tuesday 12 th December	Panto Trip to Woking	Year 3	
Tuesday 12 th December	Christmas parties	Years 2 & 6	
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Lunch (& jumper day)	ALL	
Thursday 14 th December	Juniors Church service AM	Years 3,4,5 & 6	
Thursday 14 th December	Christmas parties (pm)	Years 4 & 5	
Friday 15 th December	End of Term (finish at 1:15)	ALL	
January 2024			
Tuesday 2 nd January	Inset Day	ALL	
Wednesday 3 rd January	Back to School	ALL	

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

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
27 th November	AM	5G	5G	5G	5G
	PM	Otters	Otters	Otters	Otters
4 th December	AM	5C	5C	5C	5C
	PM	Owls	Owls	Owls	Owls



School Meals



We have now moved to ordering Schools Meals via the Arbor app!
Please make sure you place your meal choices in plenty of time.

Orders for Christmas lunches are now closed

The deadline for ordering your Christmas lunches is now closed, therefore if you haven't already ordered your child's Christmas lunch for 13 December you will now need to provide them with a packed lunch on that day. ALL children will receive a Christmas cracker!



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 collecting: _____

Signed: _____ ***Date:*** _____

Print Name: _____

Parking issues



We have recently been made aware of a number of parking issues at school drop off and collection times. Please do not park across entrances to driveways.

The school do not currently 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.

Please could we ask parents/guardians who drive to and from school not to sit with their engines on unnecessarily in the roads around the school as we know it increases the concentration of pollution in that area which is detrimental to everyone's health but it is particularly damaging to the lungs of pupils and siblings who are at the level of car exhausts.

Attendance Matters

REMINDER: Please email absences@goldsworthprimary.co.uk for **any** absence requests/reports. This includes absences for medical appointments which require collection from school or late arrivals. absences should be reported to the school by 8:30am. Thank you.

Goldsworth Events

Maths Aim High Day

On Wednesday, Miss Grahamslaw accompanied a group of Year 5 and 6 mathematicians to an Aim High Day at Westfield Primary School. They represented the school fantastically and learnt lots of maths tricks and games. Here is Sam and Shivanjali's recount of the day:

"We have never had as much fun doing maths before, and it was not like anything we had ever been on before. It made maths super fun! We learnt ninja skills which we want to teach the other children in our classes, to make us quicker and more efficient at maths. We learnt about lots of different games like yohaku, yoikes and kenken, and our brains had gone through a real workout at the 'maths gym' by the end of the day!"





MINDFULNESS (‘CHILL OUT’)



Children's clubs , adult classes, workshops ,
courses and training sessions at
www.emmamartinmindfulness.com

CLUB

I'm SO
Excited for
mindfulness
club each
week-
L- Year 5

Supporting your child's emotional wellbeing and mental health through a range of fun, immersive activities , tools, stories and games facilitated by an accredited mindfulness practitioner and mum of two, Emma. With glowing reviews from children of all ages, parents and headteachers alike- Emma understands that wellbeing should be fun, friendly and accessible to suit your child's learning style!
NEW activities added each term to suit both new and returning students!

'Mrs Martin,
Your
Mindfulness
club is the
BEST! - Ava
Year 3'

TAKING YOUR CHILD ON A 10 WEEK 'MINDFUL HEART' CURRICULUM TO INCLUDE:

- Creation of a 'calm kit' with resources that they can use both at home and school to support their emotions
- Age appropriate breath-work, movement, stories, arts and crafts to cover a range of topics Including; Managing thoughts and feelings, Mindfulness for anxiety, Supporting self esteem, positive self talk and relaxation/ meditation
- How we can have FUN by being mindful with enjoyable activities such as Glitter jars, making sensory dough, creating worry monsters and more...

Day	Lunch Time club	After School Club
Wednesday	St Hugh of Lincoln (KS2)	Knaphill Junior School (KS2)
Thursday	St Hugh of Lincoln (KS1)	Barnsbury Primary (KS2)
Friday	Goldsworth Primary KS1 & KS2	



Enhanced
DBS, full
public
liability
insurance
and
safeguarding
trained

You really are
having such a
positive
impact on the
children here!
Thankyou!
-Headteacher
2023



Parent and child monthly
mindfulness sessions @the Bisley
furt, also bookable via this link!

BOOK VIA

WWW.BOOKWHEN.COM/EMMAMARTINMINDFULNESS

Friends of Goldsworth News

Diwali Fireworks Night

We are so disappointed that our Diwali Fireworks event could not go ahead this year; not only is it a great evening full of family fun, but it is also one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. We will be issuing refunds in due course, but we do have a favour to ask first! We are asking everyone to please consider donating all or part of your refund towards our two projects which we are just about to start fundraising for - Forest School and Class Libraries. Please see the email we sent last week to read more about these two important projects. As you all know, we raise funds to enhance the educational opportunities for all children at Goldsworth Primary, and these two projects play an important part in achieving this goal.

If you would like to donate all or part of your refund to these projects, please email info@goldsworthfriends.org.uk or visit www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth and donate via the Voluntary Donations section.

Dates for your diary

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

<http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth>.

Monday, 4th to Wednesday, 6th December – No Adults Allowed Gift Shop

This is one of our most popular events of the year! You can buy a £3 voucher for your child to visit the Christmas gift shop and choose a secret gift for mum, dad, carer, grandparents or loved one. They will receive their item in a gift bag which they can take home, decorate and put under the tree as a surprise on Christmas Day.

Vouchers are available to purchase from www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth.

Wednesday, 13th December – Festive Fun Day

During school hours, the school and the Friends of Goldsworth will be holding a Festive Fun Day, which will include Christmas lunch, festive jumpers and headwear, and a Festive Fun Run. This year we're going full-on festive and for the first time, every child at Goldsworth will take part in the fun run during the school day and have the opportunity to raise funds for our wonderful school.

The challenge: how many laps of the school track can your child run in 30 minutes? In their Christmas jumper and festive headgear of course!

This year we are also introducing some wonderful prizes which will be presented at our Festive Celebration event with children, parents and teachers at the end of the school day. Every penny counts in your fundraising,

and the class that raises the most money will all receive a unique Santa medal. And we'll also have prizes for the class that runs the most laps, dresses the most festive and brings the most joy to the day!

To register, just visit <https://chuffed.org/project/festive-fun-run> and click "sign up as a fundraiser" at the bottom of the page.

The Festive Celebration event after school on 13th December will include drinks, biscuits, mince pies and the chance for your child to get that all-important finish line photo with our inflatable Santa arch! So please do join us.

Raffle Tickets

Our ever-growing list of raffle prizes so far includes:

£100 cash

Family ticket for Brooklands Museum (worth £60)

£50 voucher for The Drumming Snipe, Mayford

£20 voucher for the Red Lion, Horsell

Voucher for six admissions to the Inflatazone at Woking Leisure Centre

Intensive holiday course (four 40-minute sessions) from Aqua Kidz (worth £52)

Voucher for a half term of classes from Cremona Dance

Voucher for one month of tuition at Explore Learning

Five adult dance session from First Dance Studios

One free PT session from FunMums

£20 voucher from Long Acres Garden Centres

Three-week free trial at Leanne Edwards School for Theatre Arts

Family ticket for a round of pirate golf at Mr Mulligans Pirate Golf

Voucher for registration and one term of Rugby Tots (worth £120)

£10 voucher from Squires Garden Centre

£15 voucher from The Entertainer

A course of three group tennis lessons or one individual lesson from Tiger Tennis

A family ticket to RHS Wisley Gardens

Four tickets for any 2023/24 Vanarama National League match at the Laithwaite Community Stadium from Woking FC

Brunch for two at Kiwi & Scot

£40 voucher from House of Hair, St Johns

Please return all raffle ticket money and ticket stubs to the school office by Tuesday, 5th December. Additional raffle tickets can also be purchased from <http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth>.

If you run a local business and have something you could donate as a raffle prize, we'd love to hear from you!
Please email <mailto:chair@goldsworthfriends.org.uk>.

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

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

Playworkers vacancy

Do you like having fun and love working with children?

Then this is the job for you!

We are looking to appoint enthusiastic, hardworking and creative Playworkers to work with our before and after school team.

The 'Wise Owl Club' is our after-school club with up to 100 children attending each day at breakfast and evening sessions.

For more details and an online application form, please visit:

[Join our Team - Playworkers](#)

Closing date for applications is Midnight 26th November 2023

If you know of anyone with the skills, please do pass on the details.

