



Be the best we can be

Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a super assembly from 4HD yesterday where they shared their learning with us. Their clarinet playing, singing, Greek myth writing, science and many other areas of learning show us what a broad curriculum we have.

Yesterday, our infant children benefited from seeing The Pied Piper Theatre Group's performance of 'Can Bears Ski?! I don't know the answer to that question, but I know the children enjoyed it and can probably now tell you the answer!

The school is now beginning to get into the Christmas spirit and next week we have nativity plays, followed by parties and Christmas lunch in the last week as well as the church service for the junior children. I look forward to seeing you at some of these events. Thank you to Bob for putting up our decorations in the hall and on the outside of school to get us ready for this special season.

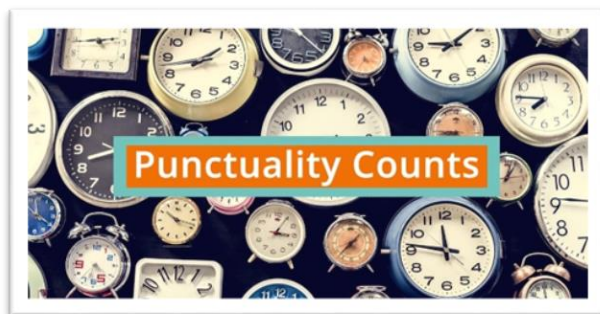
We are aware that the Christmas period can be difficult for some children and families for a whole variety of reasons, so we are encouraging our staff to do something particularly kind each day in December which can help everyone's wellbeing and sense of calm.

A Word on Punctuality

I have noticed when on the gate that there are a significant number of children who are arriving late to school. I would really urge all parents to make every effort to ensure your child arrives at school on time. Missing just five minutes of learning a day can have a huge impact on achievement. Arriving calmly, on time and ready for learning to begin makes a big difference to a child's sense of wellbeing, routine and readiness to learn. Remember, the classrooms open at 8:40 and if a child arrives after 8:50, they will be marked as late. Thank you for your support in this.

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.

Year 2 Nativity

Tuesday 5th December (pm)
Wednesday 6th December (am)
parents are invited to attend; all tickets will now have been booked and will be sent home with the children.

Year 3 Panto

Tuesday 12th December
Panto Trip to Woking to see Peter Pan (within school hours)

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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Year 1	<p>Owls Class are swimming next week. Remember to bring swimming kit (swimsuit, towel, swimming hat, goggles- all named) in a bag. You may want to pack an extra snack for your child on swimming days.</p> <p>Parents/Carers: We hope you can join us for the Year 1 Christmas Carol Concert on Friday 15th December at 2:15pm.</p>																																																																
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Key Dates for Autumn Term

Date	Event	Year Group	Community Participation
December			
Friday 1st December	Christmas disco (SOLD OUT)	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 to see Peter Pan (within school hours)	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
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 your child/children 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: _____

Lost Property

A BIG thank you to the lovely parent who has spent time tidying the lost property boxes and displaying all the named items so the children can find their belongings easily.

Please remember parents are welcome to look through the lost property after 15.30 each day



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

Penalty Notice Reminder:

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), they will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days.

Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Goldsworth Sporting Events

Boys Football



On Wednesday 22nd November, our Year 6 Boys Football team (Rory, Luke, Ethan, Noah, Naya, William, Reggie, Shaine and Seth) gave an exceptional team performance to come away victorious in their U11 tournament at Greenfield Primary School. With Rory leading the way as captain and Luke as vice-captain, the boys kept their heads high and boosted each other up throughout the whole tournament. The encouragement and praise they gave to each other was a real pleasure to watch. All of the boys truly showed the Goldsworth values and we could not be prouder of them.

The initial round of the tournament saw our boys come up against 3 teams. Our first game was against Bisley where Noah, Naya and Rory all scored to lead us to a 3 0 victory. Next, we faced Pyrford who were a tough side. In the end, we drew 0 0, but the boys never gave up and just kept pushing forward and working together to ensure we kept a clean sheet. Our final game of the pool was against Barfield where goals from Noah and Naya secured us a 2 0 win, which put us at the top of our pool. Our semi-final was against St Dunstan's where a goal from Noah took us in front by 1. In the last couple of minutes of the game, Seth cleared one of their shots off the line which secured us a victory and took us to the finals where we faced the Marist. After a grueling start, in the second half, Rory scored an incredible goal to put us in front and this was quickly followed by another amazing goal by Naya. The final whistle blew and the boys had done it!

With Ethan in goal and a combination of Luke, Shaine, and Seth at the back, the boys were exceptional. The communication between them and the way they defended was fantastic. Rory, Naya and Reggie commanded mid-field and created endless opportunities through working together and opening up spaces. Up front, Noah and William drove towards the goal at every opportunity. All of the boys gave it their all and put pressure on their opponents at all times. To not concede a single goal in the whole tournament is an incredible achievement and it was truly wonderful to watch such composure and control from these boys. Every moment saw our boys working together as a team showing great sportsmanship and most of all, their love of the game and playing together.

Well done, boys! A huge thank you to all of the parents who came to support!

Girls Netball



On Wednesday 29th November, a group of girls from Year 5 and 6 competed in a challenging netball tournament at Greenfield school. The girls fought hard all afternoon through a very difficult competition against private schools in the local area. These girls are Amy, Akili, Holly, Eva, Immy, Charlotte, Carys and their captain Elsie. The team showed great resilience, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the afternoon particularly with the chilly winter weather. We want to say a huge thank you to the parents for your constant support getting the girls to and from the games and the team really appreciated the support from the sidelines.

Reported by Year 6 Media Secretary.

Friends of Goldsworth News

Firstly, thank you to everyone who donated all or part of their fireworks refund to our fundraising projects, we are so grateful. We understand that, particularly at this time of year, money can be tight, so any donations you are able to make are always greatly appreciated.

Dates for your diary

TONIGHT! Friday, 1st December – Festive Disco

Please note, this event is now sold out and tickets will NOT be available to purchase on the door

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

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

This is one of our most popular events of the year and vouchers are running out fast! 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. A limited number of vouchers are still available to purchase from <http://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, if they wish, have the opportunity to raise funds for our wonderful school.

The emphasis is on fun, but if they want a 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. This will include prizes for the class that runs the most laps, dresses the most festive and brings the most joy to the day. There will also be a unique Santa medal for the class that raises the most money.

If you would like to start collecting sponsorship money, 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

£20 voucher from Carlo Scanella Barbers

2kg turkey crown from Simmons Butchers

1 adult large short sleeve base layer from Swish Cycles

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 <http://www.facebook.com/friendsofgoldsworth> and Instagram <http://www.instagram.com/friendsofgoldsworth> for updates and reminders.



MINDFULNESS ('CHILL OUT') CLUB



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

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	



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



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



BOOK VIA

WWW.BOOKWHEN.COM/EMMAMARTINMINDFULNESS

Wise Owl Club

**Please note; the school closes at 1.15pm on the 15th December, and
Wise Owl will be closing early at 4.30pm.**

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.

