

22nd MARCH 2024

NEWSLETTER



Be the best we can be



Deputy Head's Lines

It has been another incredibly busy week at school with absolutely no sign of winding down before the Easter Break!

Firstly, I want to say another huge congratulations to the staff and children involved in Dance Live last Friday. I was very privileged to watch the video recording this week as I was unable to attend. Having worked in many schools for a number of years, I am yet to see a production that is so inspiring and equally outstanding. I know that Miss Grahamslaw and the staff supporting have given the children involved something they will cherish forever. We look forward to showing the recording to children next week!

The week continued as it finished with events such as a Year 6 Maths Challenge Afternoon, football league fixtures and a Woking Schools Quiz!

Joined with 5 local schools, Goldsworth were the overall winners of the Year 6 Maths Challenge. I was particularly pleased that we narrowly defeated Horsell Junior School where my wife teaches. Playing Queen's 'We are the Champions' on repeat during the evening may have started an unhealthy rivalry so I will be more gracious in victory in future!

After lots of postponements due to the weather, we finally fulfilled some Year 6 league football fixtures on Tuesday. Both our boys and girls won their fixtures away at Sythwood. Two excellent performances and as always, the children represented Goldsworth so well.

Next up was the Woking School's annual quiz where Goldsworth finished 3rd overall. This was a fantastic effort from the year 5 and 6 children involved and we enjoyed celebrating during this morning's assembly.

Meanwhile, Foxes Class treated us to a brilliant assembly which showcased their learning. The children sung, danced and spoke superbly but the best part of the assembly was the enthusiasm and excitement of the children which shone through. It is always an uplifting experience visiting Year 1 and this came across during the performance. Well done to them and thank you to the staff for organising!

It was fantastic to see so many of you this week during the parent consultations. Thank you for making the time to meet with teachers. I want to take this opportunity to thank all teachers for their ongoing commitment and always going above and beyond for the children and families.

A gentle reminder that FREE tickets to Woking Women's semi-final match on Sunday at Woking College are available through the below link:

<https://wokingfc.ktckts.com/event/wok2324wl14/woking-women-vs-long-crendon>

I am going to try and persuade my children to attend so I may see some of you there!

Have a wonderful weekend!

David Gunning
Deputy Headteacher

IMPORTANT NOTICES AND TERM DATES

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.

Thursday 28th March
End of term (1:15pm finish)

Monday 15th April
Back to school - start of the summer term

CLUBS NOTICES

No more teacher led clubs next week as is it the last week of term.

Weekly Reminders...

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

PLEASE CAN WE REMIND YOU OF THE IMPORTANCE OF WALKING THROUGH THE CAR PARK SAFELY. PARENT'S WHO HAVE COLLECTED CHILDREN FROM CLUBS/WISE OWL ARE STILL WALKING WHERE THE BARRIER IS AND THIS IS OFTEN WITH THEIR CHILDREN NEXT TO THEM. THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW INSTANCES NOW WHERE CHILDREN AND PARENTS WALK RIGHT IN FRONT OF CARS AS THEY ARE DRIVING AROUND THE CAR PARK.

PLEASE CAN WE REMIND ALL PARENTS TO MAKE SURE CHILDREN HAVE A COAT, GLOVES AND HAT WITH THEM IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY

RECEPTION

WE ARE IN NEED OF SOME SPARE SOCKS AND GIRLS UNDERWEAR. IF YOU HAVE ANY (IN GOOD CONDITION) THAT YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO DONATE, PLEASE GIVE THEM TO ONE OF THE RECEPTION TEACHERS. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR BUTTONS, FEATHERS, STICKERS AND PIPE CLEANERS TO RESTOCK OUR CREATIVE ZONE

YEAR 1

NO REMINDERS

YEAR 2

PLEASE BRING A SMALL TOY CAR OR VEHICLE IN FOR MONDAY AS WE WILL BE TESTING HOW THEY MOVE AS THE ENTRY TO OUR DT PROJECT, MAKING VEHICLES.

W/C 15TH APRIL BADGERS AND BATS WILL BE SWIMMING. PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR SWIMMING KIT AND AN EXTRA SNACK!

YEAR 3

3H ARE SWIMMING NEXT WEEK. REMEMBER YOUR SWIMMING KIT AND AN EXTRA SNACK!

YEAR 4

NO REMINDERS

YEAR 5

5G ARE SWIMMING NEXT WEEK. REMEMBER YOUR SWIMMING KIT AND AN EXTRA SNACK!

YEAR 6

NO REMINDERS

ATTENTION

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.

IMPORTANT NOTE!!

8.30 GATES OPEN

8.40 REGISTRATION

8:50 GATES CLOSE

after the gates close your child is late and is
missing important learning

Children should be supervised at all
times. Please **DO NOT** drop children off
any earlier.

Thank you



Class Assemblies...

Thursday Class/Year Group Assemblies (9:00-9:30)

Parents/carers are invited to attend their child/ren Class/Year Group Assemblies.
ALL up and coming dates are highlighted below.

Thursday	Class/Year Group	Thursday	Class/Year Group
Year 1		Year 2	
09.11.23	Year 1	18.01.24	Bats
29.02.24	Otters	02.05.24	Rabbits
07.03.24	Owls	06.06.24	Badgers
21.03.24	Foxes	No Year Group assembly	
Year 3		Year 4	
23.11.23	3B	30.11.23	4HD
13.12.23	3C	25.01.24	4C
28.03.24	3H	08.02.24	4E
27.06.24	Year 3	25.04.24	Year 4
Year 5		Year 6	
14.03.24	Year 5	07.12.23	6H
09.05.24	5C	New date TBA	6P
23.05.24	5J	20.06.24	6DF
13.06.24	5G	No Year Group assembly	

Please note Reception have **THREE** performances a year, dates will be confirmed in due course.

Key dates for spring term...

Date	Event	Year Group	Community Participation
March 2024			
Monday 25th March and Tuesday 26th March	Residential trip to Walton Firs	Year 4	
Wednesday 27th March	Easter Church Service	KS2	
Thursday 28th March	End of term (1:15pm finish)		
April 2024			
Monday 15th April	Back to school - start of the summer term		
Thursday 18th and Friday 19th April	Bikeability	Year 4	
Friday 26th April	School Disco	ALL	For further details and to book tickets please see the Friends of Goldsworth page

Medication and sickness...

We appreciate that many children are suffering with coughs and colds at this time of year and often they are easily treated with calpol, however if your child requires antibiotics they must have had at least 24 hour's worth of antibiotics before they can come in to school. This is in case of allergic reaction to the medication and to reduce the spread of infection. If in doubt, please call the office.



Diarrhoea and vomiting illness	Recommended period to be kept away from school, nursery or childminders	Comments
Diarrhoea and/or vomiting	48 hours from last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting	
<i>E. coli</i> O157 VTEC*	Should be excluded for 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea	Further exclusion is required for young children under five and those who have difficulty in adhering to hygiene practices
Typhoid* [and paratyphoid*] (enteric fever)	Further exclusion may be required for some children until they are no longer excreting	Children in these categories should be excluded until there is evidence of microbiological clearance. This guidance may also apply to some contacts of cases who may require microbiological clearance
Shigella* (dysentery)		Please consult the Duty Room for further advice
Cryptosporidiosis*	Exclude for 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea	Exclusion from swimming is advisable for two weeks after the diarrhoea has settled

School Lunches...



School Lunches

Please note that the new menu school lunches are now available to book on the Arbor app for after the Easter holidays. You should have received a copy of the new menus by email - we hope your child/children will enjoy these different meals.

When booking school lunches please do bear in mind the 5 day cut off for ordering and if there are any days for which you have not booked a lunch you will need to provide a packed lunch from home for those days.

Whilst you are in Arbor please also check your meals account and top it up if necessary.

There have been several occasions recently when children have brought in a packed lunch but a school lunch has also been ordered for them. In order to avoid food being wasted please cancel any unwanted school meals in the Arbor app or, if you are not able to, email lunches@goldsworthprimary.co.uk to cancel these meals. Thank you for your co-operation.

Packed Lunches

We all have a responsibility to help our children learn how to eat healthily and this includes what is in their lunchboxes - a healthy packed lunch can have a beneficial effect on our children's behaviour in the classroom.

Do remember we are a nut free school and as such food that contains nuts must NOT brought into school, including as part of a packed lunch or snack. Thank you.

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Swimming...



Week commencing		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
25th March	AM	3H	3H	3H	3H
	PM	5G	5G	5G	5G
15th April	AM	Badgers	Badgers	Badgers	Badgers
	PM	Bats	Bats	Bats	Bats

School Clubs...

There will be no more teacher led clubs next week as it is the last week of term.

The following clubs listed below will be ending this term:

Year 5/6 Boys' Football (Monday)

Netball (Tuesday)

Book Club (Tuesday)

Dance Live (Wednesday)

Cross Country (Wednesday)

Love to Write (Thursday)

The following clubs listed below will continue in the summer term

Ukulele (Thursday am)

Girls' Football (Thursday)

We will then be in touch next week with some other clubs which we will be offering in the summer term.



Chobham rugby tour - shout out

Some of the Year 6 boys had a successful weekend competing in a rugby tournament for Chobham Rugby Club hosted by Lewes Rugby Club. Matthew, Noah and Tyler played four games across the day as part of the under 11 team. They were undefeated, winning three of the games and drawing one. We are so proud of the boys for this amazing achievement, it is great to see the talent which we have across loads of sports in the school community.



Dance Live Competition...

On Friday 15th March, Miss Grahamslaw took 36 dancers and 2 backstage crew to the Dance Live! competition, where the children got to perform on stage at the G-Live theatre in Guildford. The team brought home two awards for the best 'Journey to Dance Live video', and the 'Technical award'.

Thank you to all of the children who attended the event, but also all of the children who helped with the technical elements that went towards the final performance at the lunch time clubs. You all did Goldsworth proud. I'd also like to thank everyone who came to the event, to support our dancers on the night.

The day was really exciting, we got our own dressing room and got to rehearse on stage and see everyone else rehearse. We had our hair and makeup done, and then got to perform in front of a huge audience. One of the parents even brought a banner. It was so fun to perform on stage, and see the LED screen and the dance come together at the same time for the performance. – **Elsie, Year 6**



**DANCE
LIVE!**

I was the lighting technician and worked with the professional lighting manager to programme and cue the lighting in the rehearsal in the afternoon. Then, I got to do it again during the actual performance.

I've never got to do anything like that before and everyone looked awesome dancing on stage.

Maya, Year 6

I was part of the tech team who came to lunch time clubs to put all of the technical elements together. We did the video editing, audio editing, and designed loads of other bits for the performance. It's cool to see that our hard work paid off and we won some awards!

Luke, Year 6

DANCE
LIVE!



Friends of Goldworth News



Fundraising

Our No Adults Allowed Gift Shop was very popular earlier in the month, and it helped us raise £180 for our school! Thanks to everyone who bought vouchers, sourced gifts and helped out on the day.

Our second hand uniform was also very popular last week, raising £184. Thanks to everyone who came along, and to the volunteers who helped out on the day. We still have a lot of stock in storage that we would love to be able to sell via our website, but we need a volunteer to help us manage it – if you would like to help out, please let us know via info@goldsworthfriends.org.uk or speak to a member of our team.

Dates for your Diary

Friday, 26th April – School Discos

School disco tickets are now available to buy from www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth so book now to avoid disappointment! Tickets are £5 for Infants (this includes a drink and a packet of crisps), and £4 for Juniors (snacks, drinks and glow toys will be available to buy from the Tuck Shop). Please note, tickets will not be available on the door. If you are able to help out at any of the discos, please register as a volunteer when you book your tickets or email us at chair@goldsworthfriends.org.uk

Sunday, 7th July – Summer Fayre

Summer may seem like a long way off, but save the date now for our Summer Fayre!

Pay It Forward

Our PTA events are an opportunity for our school community to come together to celebrate and have fun, and we want to make them accessible to everyone in our community. While we try to keep the entrance price of our events affordable, for some this may be a challenge, which is why we've created our Pay It Forward scheme.

If you would like to help cover the entrance cost to an event for those who may need support at this time, please donate via www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth. If you want to donate for a specific event, please include the name of the event when making payment.

The PTA works with the school to allocate these funds to those who need them.

Free Parent Webinars

Parentkind, the national PTA fundraisers' charity, runs a number of free parent webinars on subjects such as Time Management; Promoting Your Child's Independence; Preparing for Secondary School; and Inspiring Reading at Home. To access these webinars for free, visit <https://www.parentkind.org.uk/your-pta-expert/parent-webinars>, select the webinar you are interested in and enter our school's postcode, GU21 6NL.

Parentkind also have a handy, downloadable Exam Guide for those with older children. Visit their website www.parentkind.org.uk for more information.

Keep Updated

Remember to follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/friendsofgoldsworth and Instagram www.instagram.com/friendsofgoldsworth for updates and reminders. We also have a costume swap group on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2057262757820608>, where you can find second hand costumes for World Book Day, class performances and other school dress up days.



Wise Owl club

The Club offers a wide variety of activities ranging from arts and crafts and forest school to multi-sports run by our experienced playworkers. There is a large range of resources to entertain the children. We also make use of the school halls, the playgrounds and climbing structures (weather and light permitting) and our environmental area for forest school. A varied menu is available ranging from hot and cold snacks. The After School Club runs from the end of school day to 6.00pm (except on the last day of term when it closes at 4.30pm as school also finishes early).

Wise Owl Club waiting list is open for Friday's only

The Wise Owl Club waiting list form to apply for FRIDAY sessions ONLY will be open from Saturday 16th March to Friday 22nd March 2024.

We have a number of Friday places waiting to be filled. If you would like to go on the list for a Friday Breakfast club session/After-school session please complete the form on this link. If there are more applicants than places we will use a ballot system.

<https://forms.gle/nVHnXLQUcWXinbgp8>

Thank you



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<https://goldsworthprimary.co.uk>



10 - 12yrs

Junior Basketball

**Join us for instructor led Basketball sessions
in partnership with Woking Blackhawks.**

Develop fundamental skills in an encouraging
and fun environment.

**Woking Leisure Centre
Mondays, 5 - 6.30pm**

For more information email:
hcwoking@freedom-leisure.co.uk





Free activity sessions

For 7-16 year olds

Local to you, after Easter

Sign-up from 1st March onwards

**Book your
place
- scan the
code**

bit.ly/42KH8tR

- Join with friends!
- Dance, Judo, Basketball, Girls Touch Rugby, Tennis, Boccia, Row/Bike/Run
- Friendly, supportive coaches
- Everyone's a beginner
- Make new mates local to you



"It's fun, its free and there's loads and loads of activities you can do" - Lara

"We were blown away with the games and what was available" - Parent



Book now





Easter Holiday Camp



Wk 1: Tues 2nd - Thurs 4th April (3 days)

Wk 2: Mon 8th - Thurs 11th April (4 days)

Multi-Sports and Activities



*Fun and engaging
sporting activities
to promote skills
and team-building*

@ Goldsworth Primary

**Girls and Boys
Reception to Yr 6**



Starting from
**Less than
£3.60 per
hour**

L-SPA Drop in session - Woking Family Centre

Woking Family Centre are pleased to be working in partnership with Learners Single Point of Access L-SPA. The Family Communication Officers have a range of knowledge and experience of additional needs and advocate the importance of early intervention for young people and their families to provide the 'right support at the right time'.

L-SPA provide a professional network and understanding of the EHCN assessment process for an Education, Health Care Plan (EHCP).

The Team can offer support with:

- Understand the graduated response to SEND (Special Educational Need and Disabilities)
- What ordinarily available provision is and what this looks like in educational settings
- Understanding a 'No to Assess' Educational Health Care Needs Assessment decision.
- Signposting to appropriate services for support, advice, and intervention.
- How to collaborate effectively with educational setting.

Dates: Thursday 21st March & Friday 26th April 2024

Venue: Woking Family Centre, Sythwood bungalow, Horsell, Woking GU21 3RX (Next to Sythwood Primary)

Time: 9.30 – 4pm, Booking only

Date: Friday 24th May 2024

Venue: Parkview Community Centre, Sheerwater, Woking GU21 5NZ

Time: 9.30 – 4pm, Booking only

To book a 45min, 1-1 appointment with L-SPA please contact kkesara.cheena@woking.gov.uk

Woking Family Centre is pleased to offer:



Woking Family Centre are pleased to be working with the Learners Single Point of Access (L-SPA) Family Communication Officers.

The Family Communication Officers (FCO's) have a range of knowledge and experience of additional needs and advocate the importance of early intervention for young people and their families to provide the 'right support at the right time'.

The FCO's can support families with:

- Understanding the graduated response to SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities).
 - What Ordinarily Available provision is and what this looks like in educational settings.
- Understanding a 'No to Assess' Educational Health Care Needs Assessment decision.
- Signposting to appropriate services for support, advice, and intervention.
- How to collaborate effectively with educational settings.

Find us between 9:30 and 4pm on
21st February 2024 and 21st March 2024

Please contact kesara.cheena@woking.gov.uk to book a 30 min, 1:1 session with a Family Communication Officer.

Please see links below to some of the community support available in our local area:

[Lighthouse Woking](#) (café, clothes and resources for families, Ukrainian Hub, debt management and much more!)

[Citizens Advice Woking](#) | the charity for your community (wokingcab.org) (benefit, debt, housing advice and more)

[Welcome Church](#) is a Christian church based in the heart of Woking, UK (Lunches on Mondays, CAP debt and budgeting, job club, toddler groups and more)

Home | CAP UK Christians Against Poverty <https://capuk.org/> (Provide free debt help)

[LinkAble](#) | Home (holiday and out of school provision and groups for children and young people with disabilities)

Home - Shifa The Project for Women's Wellbeing (shifanetwork.org.uk)

Tackling Financial Insecurity Together | [Turn2us](#) (Learn more about specific benefits and other types of support you can get)

