

20th September 2024

NEWSLETTER

Be the best we can be



Deputy Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week at school. The children have continued their strong start to term and I have already ordered more stickers due to the high volume of children visiting with excellent work!

As always, I have had the pleasure of spending lots of time in lessons this week. A few highlights include seeing children recreating Mother Hubbard's cupboard, tower building, learning about longitude and latitude, designing Web Pages and I even had time to lose a game of tug of war while children in Year 3 were learning about forces!

We continue to focus on our half term my value of respect and I began the week by reading 'a little book about racism' by Jelani Memory' during assembly. I was so impressed by the children's listening and questioning. The main message was around celebrating difference and we plan to continue reinforcing this in all that we do.

Unfortunately, we are still seeing a lot of children being collected late at the end of the day. This impacts the children, our teachers and office staff as well as delaying the start of after school clubs. Please do make a strong effort to collect children promptly at 3.20pm.

Finally, there is lots of excitement in my house with the return of Strictly Come Dancing but like you, I am more interested in the launch of 'Dance Live' here at Goldsworth next week!

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Deputy Headteacher

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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.

SCHOOL TOURS

Dates and information on how to book will be released soon.

ABSENCES: If your child is likely to be absent on any day, or part of the day, please report the absence by 8:30am

Telephone: **01483 771 321**, select option 1 for absences or email:

absences@goldsworthprimary.co.uk

You **must** provide brief details of the illness and if your child has had any vomiting or diarrhoea, please state this clearly.

Absences for Medical/Dental appointments should also be reported well in advance by emailing absences@goldsworthprimary.co.uk providing confirmation of the appointment i.e. an email/SMS/screenshot.



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

RECEPTION

- THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER - CURRICULUM EVENING 5PM - 6PM

YEAR 1

- NO REMINDERS

YEAR 2

- NO REMINDERS

YEAR 3

- NO REMINDERS

YEAR 4

- 4SB HAVE SWIMMING CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR SWIMMING KIT AND AN EXTRA SNACK!

YEAR 5

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YEAR 6

- NO REMINDERS



football cards just a reminder children must leave trading cards and toys at home to keep them safe, please do not bring them into school.



Coats, lunches and water bottles Please remember to send children into school with a warm/waterproof coat, a lunch box if they have packed lunches and their water bottle.



Bikes and Scooters

A gentle reminder that children should not be riding bikes/scooters on the school ground. We kindly ask that children push their bikes/scooters once on school premises to help keep them and others safe. In addition, please note that electric scooters are not permitted on school grounds.



Earrings

Just a quick reminder that from a health and safety point of view, if a child is wearing earrings and is unable to remove them themselves they will be unable to take part in PE, swimming and any clubs, unfortunately putting tape or plasters over earrings is not a safe option.



Penalty Notices for Unauthorised Leave of Absence have changed

New Regulations in Force from 19th August 2024

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), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of **£160.00, per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of **£160.00, per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to **consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

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.

Key dates...

Date	Event	Year Group	More Information
September 2024			
Thursday 26th September	Reception Curriculum evening 5pm - 6pm	Reception	All parents welcome
October 2024			
Tuesday 1st October and Wednesday 2nd October	Individual and Sibling Photographs	ALL	Please make sure all children are wearing full uniform on both days.
Friday 4th October	Inclusion Workshop 8.50-9.45		All parents welcome
Thursday 3rd October	Tapestry Parent Workshop (9-9.30am	Reception	All parents welcome
Thursday 24th October	Stone Age workshop (in school)	Year 4	
Thursday 24th October	FoG Tuck Shop	ALL	
Friday 25th October	Harvest Assembly		
HALF TERM			
Monday 4th November	Inset Day	ALL	
Tuesday 5th November	Inset Day	ALL	
Wednesday 6th November	Children back to school	ALL	
Monday 11th november	Nasal Flu	ALL	Details to follow in due course
Friday 15th November	Planetarium Trip	Year 5	Payable on Arbor from 20th September

Medication/Antibiotics and sickness...

We appreciate that many children are suffering with illnesses at this time of year and often they are easily treated with calpol, **If your child requires antibiotics regardless of having the same antibiotics previously, 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.



Illness	Recommended period to be kept away from school	Comments
Diarrhoea and/or vomiting	48 hours from last episode of diarrhoea	
Slap Cheek	None once rash has developed	High temperature, runny nose sore throat and headache
Conjunctivitis	None	
Head Lice	None	Treat whole family as soon as you spot them

Swimming...



Week commencing		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
23rd September	AM	4SB	4SB	4SB	4SB
	PM	5HF	5HF	5HF	5HF
30rd September	AM	3G	NO swimming due to school photos. New dates TBC	NO swimming due to school photos. New dates TBC	3G
	PM	6P	NO swimming due to school photos. New date Wed 6 Nov	6P	6P

What to bring for your swimming lesson



Swimming Hat



Goggles (optional)



Shorts



Costume



Towel



Spare underwear



Please can we remind parents earrings are not to be worn on swimming days.

Swimming waiting list reopen!

If your child is in years 1 - 6 please apply via the google link below and we will contact you as soon as a space becomes available.

<https://forms.gle/j4FKBroHSTk7FJtu7>



School Lunches...



School Lunches

If you would like your child to have school lunches please order these via the Arbor app or website, bearing in mind the 5 day cut off.

If your child is in year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and you think they may be eligible for free school meals please email lunches@goldsworthprimary.co.uk and we will send you a form to complete. All enquiries will be dealt with in complete confidence.

Thank you for helping us to reduce food wastage by cancelling pre-ordered school lunches either on Arbor or by email to if your child prefers to bring a packed lunch from home on any day.

Packed Lunches

Having a nutritious lunch can positively affect children's behavior in the classroom thereby making learning easier. We believe it is our joint responsibility to teach our children about healthy eating habits and as such please see below a simple visual guide outlining the sort of things we would hope to see in your child's packed lunch.

As we are a nut free school please ensure foods containing nuts are NOT brought into school at all, either as part of a packed lunch or snack.

Thank you for your co-operation, if you have any queries or require further information please email lunches@goldsworthprimary.co.uk.

What goes in my lunch box

Fruit (2 pieces)
Sandwich , wrap or alternative
Dairy
Vegetables (2 pieces)
Fibre/Grains (Wholegrains)
Water



This is an example of what your child's packed lunch could contain, we are not expecting children to have all of these in their lunch box.

Friends of Goldsworth News

Dates for your Diary

Monday, 30th September – Friends of Goldsworth Annual General Meeting

The Committee of Friends of Goldsworth Primary School invites all parents and carers to attend our AGM, which will take place at 7pm on Monday, 30th September 2024 at Goldsworth Primary School, Bridge Barn Lane, Woking GU21 6NL. You can attend in person or online (we will email a Teams link closer to the date).

For our PTA to continue to operate after this school year we will need new committee members!

To find out more about joining the committee, please email chair@goldsworthfriends.org.uk

Sunday, 20th October – Diwali Fireworks Festival

Our annual fireworks event is combined with celebrating Diwali and we are proud to offer an evening of food, Diwali entertainment and an amazing fireworks display by Wizard Fireworks! Tickets can be purchased from www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth, where you can also sign up to help out on one of our stalls. Please do sign up as a volunteer, we cannot run this event without your help.

All children at school are invited to take part in the Diwali entertainment. The children will attend rehearsal sessions after school, the dates and times of which will be shared soon. If your child is interested in performing, please complete this form.

Thursday, 24th October – Tuck Shop

Tuck Shop is one of our most popular events! We ask all parents to supply cakes, cookies or fruit, then the children can visit the Tuck Shop during the school day to buy themselves some treats! The money raised goes to the Friends of Goldsworth to spend on the 'extras' that are not provided by the school's budget.

On the day, children will need to bring:

50p in a named purse or envelope

Six to twelve cakes or cookies (shop bought or home baked), or six pieces of portioned fruit.

These should be dropped off before school at the tables set up between years 1 and 2 (or outside the Qube, near the swimming pool, if it is raining).

Cakes should be nut free (so no coconut toppings or almond paste). Children with allergies should bring two cakes and one fruit portion in a clearly named, sealed container stating the allergy and give this to their teacher.

If you would like to volunteer to help out at this event, even if you can only spare an hour, please register at

www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth or email info@goldsworthfriends.org.uk

Asda's Cashpot for Schools

Parentkind, the charity that supports school PTAs, has teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. All you have to do is opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024. Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot.

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 class performances, World Book Day and other school dress up days

Shop with Asda?

Raise £1 plus 0.5% of every shop for the school FREE!

Easy as 1, 2, 3...

- 1 Open your Asda rewards app
- 2 Tap 'Cashpot for Schools'
- 3 Search for and select 'Dereham Church of England Junior Academy'





SEPTEMBER 2024 SESSION AVAILABILITY



September 2024 session availability

We have sessions available for 2 year old children this September and some half day sessions available for 3 year old children.

We provide full day care, 50 weeks of the year for children aged 2 - 4 years.

We are open Monday to Friday
from 7.30am to 6.30pm.

For further details or to request a registration pack
please email admin@goldenowlsnursery.co.uk or call **01483 728276**

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Separation Anxiety Drop-in



Does your child feel upset when you drop them off at school?

Would you like to help your child build confidence and independence?

Does your child worry when they are not with you?

We are running drop-in sessions to help you support your child to confidently separate from you

Where? Goldsworth Primary School Sports Hall

When? Every Monday between 8:45-9:15am (23rd Sept - 21st Oct)

How? Just pop in and have a chat! To meet in the main reception at 8:45



Woking Family Centre Groups/courses 2024



<p><u>Play & Learn Plus</u> Tuesdays weekly (Term time only) 9.45am – 11.15am Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX</p> <p>Starting 10th September</p>	<p><u>Parent Wellbeing Group</u> Tuesday weekly (Term time only) 9.30am – 11.00am Parkview Centre for the Community Blackmore Crescent, Sheerwater, Woking GU21 3AX</p> <p>Starting 10th September</p>
<p><u>Thursday Tots</u> Thursdays weekly (Term time only) 10.00am - 11.30am St Mary's Centre for the Community Stream Close, Byfleet KT14 7LZ</p> <p>Starting 12th September</p>	<p><u>Parenting Puzzle</u> Tuesdays weekly (4 week course) 7pm – 9pm Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX</p> <p>Starting 3rd September</p>
<p><u>Messy Play session</u> Tuesday 30th July 11am – 1pm Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX</p>	<p><u>Messy Play session</u> Tuesday 13th August 11am – 1pm Parkview Centre for the Community Blackmore Crescent, Sheerwater, Woking GU21 3AX</p>
<p><u>L-SPA</u> (Learners Single Point of Access) Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX</p> <p>20th August</p>	<p><u>SMEF</u> (Surrey Minority Ethnic Forum) Tuesday weekly 10.00am-12 noon Woking Family Centre, Sythwood Woking GU21 3AX</p> <p>Starting 10th September</p>

For more information contact:

Email: wokingfamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk

Phone: 01483 310419

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