

25th October 2024

NEWSLETTER

Be the best we can be



Deputy Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have certainly finished on a high this week as we continued the trend of being busier and busier in our last week of an action packed half term.

Firstly, it was great to see so many parents and carers at our annual harvest assembly. The children sang and spoke beautifully and it was a fitting way to end our half term. More importantly, we have collected a huge amount of food items which will be appreciated by so many families in our wider community.

The harvest assembly followed Thursday's Diwali Dancing Assembly. As our fireworks celebrations were cancelled due to the weather, the Diwali Dancing performance was moved indoors to Thursday. The children delivered a stunning performance where they shared the story of Diwali through dancing and acting. It was insightful, entertaining and such an uplifting experience for the children and adults present. Thank you to Mrs Bhutada and her team for the time and effort in organising, rehearsing and delivering such a brilliant production.

Another highlight this week was the Year 4 Stone Age Workshop. With adults and children in full costume, the sports hall was transformed into a Stone Age museum and the children's learning was brought to life in a fun and engaging way. We look forward to sharing photographs with you!

This week was also one of the busiest weeks in the sporting calendar with three football tournaments. Our year 5/6 boys finished 2nd in their group and narrowly missed out on qualification to the semi-finals. Similarly, our Year 6 girls were denied a place in the semi-finals on goal difference. I am delighted to let you know that our Year 4 boys were the winners of their respective competition and pick up our first trophy of the year! Approximately 25 children have represented Goldsworth this week and while showcasing their talents, they have displayed our school values and represented Goldsworth proudly. Thank you to Mr Nower for leading each event so well.

Information on our updated lunchtime clubs will be released today and there are still some spaces in our half term camps with NT Sports and Inset Day camps with In2Sport (details below).

Finally, together with the school, our Friends of Goldsworth Team are organising an online auction of goods and promises which will go live shortly after half term. The idea is to give you all an opportunity to purchase some early Christmas presents and raise lots of money. However, we are reliant on your support to add items to bid for. If you are able to contribute any item through your work or personal connections, please contact me directly.

I wish you and your children a very well deserved half term break and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Wednesday 7th November.

David Gunning

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 NOW FULLY BOOKED!

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

- NO REMINDERS

YEAR 1

- ALL CHILDREN NEED TO BRING A FAVOURITE TOY TO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER TO START OUR NEW HISTORY TOPIC: TOYS. PLEASE MAKE SURE THESE ARE NAMED. THEY WILL BE RETURNED HOME THE SAME DAY.

YEAR 2

W/C 11TH NOVEMBER BADGERS HAVE SWIMMING CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR SWIMMING KIT AND AN EXTRA SNACK!

YEAR 3

- NO REMINDERS

YEAR 4

W/C 11TH NOVEMBER 4C HAVE SWIMMING CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR SWIMMING KIT AND AN EXTRA SNACK!

YEAR 5

- NO REMINDERS

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.

Key dates...

Date	Event	Year Group	More Information
October 2024			
HALF TERM			
November 2024			
Monday 4th November	Inset Day	ALL	
Tuesday 5th November	Inset Day	ALL	
Wednesday 6th November	Children back to school	ALL	
Monday 11th November and Tuesday 12th November	Nasal Flu	ALL	Details to follow in due course
Friday 15th November	Planetarium Trip	Year 5	Please make payment via the Trips section on the Arbor app.
Monday 18th November	Happy School Bags	ALL	Please see Friends of Goldsworth page for more details
Wednesday 20th November	Magical Toy museum workshop in school	Year 1	Please make payment via the Arbor app
Friday 22nd November	Winter Disco	ALL	Please see Friends of Goldsworth page for more details
Wednesday 27th November	Phonics workshop for parents at 9am - 9:45am An insight into how we teach children to read in school and practical tips on how to support your child with reading at home!	Year 1 and 2	Parents invited
Thursday 28th November	Rock Steady concert in Sports Hall time TBC	Children who attend rocksteady	Parents welcome
Tuesday 3rd December	Rock Steady concert in Sports Hall time TBC	Children who attend rocksteady	Parents welcome

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



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.

Class Assemblies...

Thursday Class Assemblies (9:00-9:30)

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

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

Date	Class	Date	Class	Date	Class
17/10/2024	4HD	21/11/2024	6H	28/11/2024	6D
19/12/2024	3G	16/01/2025	6P	23/01/2024	Owls
30/01/2024	Foxes	06/02/2024	Otters	13/02/2025	4SB
13/03/2025	3H	20/03/2024	4C	03/04/2025	BATS
01/05/2025	5HF	08/05/2025	3P	22/05/2025	Badgers
05/06/2025	5G	12/06/2025	Rabbits	19/06/2025	5E
26/06/2025	The Haven				

Swimming...



Week commencing		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
11th November	AM	4C	4C	4C	4C
	PM	BADGERS	BADGERS	BADGERS	BADGERS
18th November	AM	4SB	4SB	4SB	4SB
	PM	RABBITS	RABBITS	RABBITS	RABBITS

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.

School Lunches...



School Lunches

The new school lunch menu is still available for you to order on Arbor for November and December. We hope the children will enjoy the additional options of either a wrap, panini, pasta or jacket potato in addition to our usual meat, vegetarian and Halal options.

Please order on the Arbor app or website, bearing in mind the 5 day cut off and if there are any days that you have missed the deadline for you will need to provide a packed lunch from home for your child on those days.

School lunches must be paid for in advance so whilst ordering please also check your Arbor meals account balance and top it up if necessary.

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

Free School Meals

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - Your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

If you do not qualify for most benefits your child may still be eligible for free school meals. Please ask in the School Office and we will give you a form to complete so we can check.

Your child will get free school meals if they are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2. Please do let us know if you get any of the qualifying benefits above as we will be able to get extra funding.

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.

Ware 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.

Gymnastics year 6 floor Competition

Year 6 House Floor results

Einstein - 218 points

Rowling -170 points

Nightingale - 124 points

Attenborough - 109 points

Individual Results

Alice

Eva

Lily

Hannah

Imogen

Matthew

Charlotte

Katie

Olivia

Leila

Livvy



CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

3H Black History Month Poem

**As Black History Month streaks through the air,
We remember these people brave and fair.**

**The brave people helped us all
To be united against racist rule.**

**Martin Luther King was a kind man,
He went to jail – not part of his plan.
He fought for people to be treated equally,
We're all the same, you and me.**

**Rosa Parks stayed in her seat,
Black people walked down the street.
The racist laws changed for good
And Rosa Parks said, "As they should!"**

**Harriet Tubman was a slave,
She feared nothing, she was really brave.
She helped other slaves to escape
A huge field where their backs would ache.**

**As Black History Month comes to an end,
Black History learning will not start to bend.
These important people changed our lives
With lessons in love and in pride.**

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DAY

**SATURDAY
9TH NOVEMBER**



**WESTFIELD
v
SUTTON COMMON ROVERS**

**FOOD TRUCK
BALCONY VIEW
BAR**



**MEET THE PLAYERS
MASCOTS
PHOTOS**

**GATES OPEN 1.30
MATCH KICKS OFF 3PM
FOOTBALL CLUB GROUND NEXT TO WOKING
LEISURE CENTRE**

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Friends of Goldsworth News

Dates for your Diary

Monday, 18th November – Happy School Bags

You should have received a Happy School Bag this week – fill this with any good quality items you no longer need, return the bag to school on the morning of 18th November and every kilogram donated raises fund for our school. The clothes are then repurposed for second hand use, instead of ending up in landfill.

After Half Term – Christmas Cards

You may be aware that the children have been designing Christmas cards at school – after half term they will bring home an order form with a sample of their design, giving you the option to order these cards in time for Christmas. These are very popular, and a great way for us to raise more funds for our school, so keep your eyes peeled for the forms after half term!

Friday, 22nd November – Winter Disco

Save the date for our Winter School Disco! This will be held after school, and tickets will be available to buy from our website soon. Keep an eye on this newsletter and follow us on Instagram and Facebook (details below) for updates!

Asda's Cashpot for Schools

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to Asda's Cashpot for Schools, we have raised over £180 so far!

If you haven't signed up yet, please consider doing so, even if you don't shop at Asda frequently. Every time someone opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot.

All you have to do is install the Asda Rewards app, opt in on the Cashpots tab and choose our primary school. Then when you shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com between now and 30th November 2024, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. It's a really easy way for us to raise funds to spend on the school!

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.



SCHOOL
DISCO





Parent helpers/DBS Checks

We have always very much appreciated parent helpers in school and could not run so many different activities without you. We encourage all parents who wish to volunteer to have a DBS check undertaken as without a DBS you cannot be left alone with the children.

It can take several weeks for a check to be completed, so if you wish to help on a particular trip/activity, please don't leave it until the last minute.

Next steps....

To request an application please email dbb@goldsworthprimary.co.uk

Once you have completed the google form and read all documentation attached with the application, please bring in your **3 forms ID**. The school office will take copies of your ID and the originals will be returned to you immediately.

If you declare a name change, please also provide documentation to support any name change (i.e. marriage/adoption certificate).

Once your ID has been verified by the school, the school will then set up your online application on the Strictly Education DBS portal. You will then receive an email from Strictly Education to complete the online application (please also check your spam folder).

Please note; you will need to log onto the online system using a computer, NOT a mobile or tablet device. If applicable, please ensure that you provide your middle name and full history of previous names used when completing your online application.

Once your DBS certificate is issued

When your DBS certificate is issued, the original certificate will be posted to your home address. It is a requirement that you bring the DBS certificate to the school office to allow us to update our records. You will be added to our 'Volunteers' tab on the sign in system at the school office.

You may be unable to volunteer until the school has had sight of your certificate.

Contribution for DBS application

To process your DBS application, there is a **£10.50 fee** (this is an administration charge payable to our Registered Body to process your online application). Please make payment via the School Shop section on the Arbor app.

To comply with Health and Safety regulations, you must sign in and out at the main office each time you volunteer, whether you are remaining in school or helping on a school trip. You must also wear your temporary ID badge whilst on the premises.

Wise Owl club

If you would like your child to go on the waiting list/interested in a space at Wise Owl Breakfast or After-school Club, please email:

Suzanne McGiven, Office Administrator
smcgiven@goldsworthprimary.co.uk

For all other enquires on the day-to-day running of Wise Owl, please email the manager;

Dawn Durrant
ddurrant@goldsworthprimary.co.uk

From the Wise Owl team
wiseowl@goldsworthprimary.co.uk



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<https://goldsworthprimary.co.uk>**



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AFTER SCHOOL FRIDAY DRAMA CLASSES FOR KS2

8TH NOVEMBER – 13TH DECEMBER

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MON 4TH & TUES 5TH NOV



9AM - 3PM £27

8AM - 5PM £34



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Goldsworth Primary School,
Bridge Barn Lane. GU21 6NL



INSET DAY CAMP

MONDAY 4TH & TUESDAY 5TH NOV

EARLY DROP OFF LATE PICK UP

8AM - 9AM £2.50 3PM - 5PM £4.50

in 2 sport

EXAMPLE TIMETABLE *PLEASE BE AWARE WE ARE A CHILD LED CAMP AND TIMETABLE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FALL FESTIVAL : EXAMPLE TIMETABLE

MONDAY

TUESDAY

8:00 - 9:30

ICE BREAKER GAMES/ACTIVITIES

9:30 - 10:15

CREATING NAME PLATES DODGE FALL

ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS
SHOWDOWN

DOOR DECO POSTERS

10:15 - 10:45

MID - MORNING SNACK

10:45 - 11:30

TOILET ROLL BATS

CHILDREN CHOICE

HALLOWEEN PAPER CHAINS

MASTERMIND

11:30 - 12:15

MONSTER RUSH

PUZZLES

HAND MONSTERS

TRICK OR TAG

12:15 - 1:15

LUNCHTIME

1:15 - 2:00



NERF FUN



NERF FUN



2:00 - 2:45

2:45 - 3:15

EARLY GOODBYES & MID - AFTERNOON SNACK

3:15-4:15

SPOOKY COLOURING

ARCHERY

SPOOKY COLOURING

FEED THE MONSTER

4:15-5:00

COOL DOWN GAMES & GOODBYES



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