13th June 2025

NEWSLETTER



Be the best we can be



Deputy Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start this week's newsletter by congratulating our winners and runners up in the recent Summer Fayre poster competition. The winning entries will be used as the front cover for the digital programmes. The winners were Jessica from Foxes and Arjun from 6H and the runners up were Angela (6P), Rudraksh (Otters), Dotty (5E), Mila (Mice), Dylan (5G), Grace (Bats), Syed (3G), and Robyn (4C). All of the above will feature on the FOG Facebook and Instagram pages! As a reminder, our Summer Fayre is fast approaching so please do keep Sunday 22nd June (12pm - 3pm) free in your diaries and invite friends, family and neighbours!

As per usual, it was been a busy week in school. We started by introducing our latest initiative 'marvellous manners' during Monday's assembly. We will keep you updated on the impact and progress!

On Tuesday, we welcomed visitors from the charity Show Racism the Red Card. The visiting adults delivered an inspiring assembly and insightful workshops to our Year 5 & 6 children. The children engaged in thought provoking discussions and learnt the difference between being not racist and anti-racist. In addition, our teaching team received training from the team after school.

The excitement continued on Wednesday where Year 4 & 5 were treated with a visiting theatre performance of Treasure Island. The children absolutely loved it and the performing team commented on the children's high levels of energy, engagement and excitement.

Congratulations to Rabbits who delivered an outstanding class assembly on Thursday. The children spoke and sung with confidence and took us on a creative journey of their recent learning through song, dance, humour and drama. Well done and thank you to the staff and children.

We ended the week by welcoming our school Governors into classrooms to look at our writing curriculum. The Governors and leaders spent time in lessons, looking at books and speaking to staff and children. It was fantastic to showcase the progress we have made this academic year. Thank you to Miss Pulman and Mrs Knight for their continued drive and ambition and leading writing so effectively.

Finally, I am writing this newsletter before the unveiling of our new outdoor table tennis table. The table was funded through last year's Pupil Parliament Team and has already proved very popular. I am thrilled that Luke, former Pupil Prime Minister, is coming to celebrate its official opening. There are rumours that I will be required to play a quick game against Mr Nower and I will be available at the school gates to give you a full match report!

Have a wonderful weekend!

David Gunning
Deputy Headteacher
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PARENT TALKS

Let's Talk about Our Kids and Their Tech: Finding a Healthy Balance for Your Family

The talks are completely free. Talks are being held at four Woking schools and are open to all parents to attend.

18th June: Beaufort Primary School 26th June: Barnsbury Primary School

All events start at 7:30pm and will last up to 1.5 hours

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.









PARENT TALKS

Let's Talk about Our Kids and Their Tech: Finding a Healthy Balance for Your Family

Jennifer Powers

The SWAN Trust Schools are delighted to be able to invite our whole parent community to a thought-provoking talk by Jennifer Powers from PAPAYA.

Parenting in the digital age has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming.

Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Jennifer Powers unpacks some of the complex issues surrounding smartphone use and, in a nonjudgment

you find solutions that work for your family.





OUR MAIN TOPICS



The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online.



Strategies for delaying the smartphone



Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology

The talks are completely **free**. Talks are being held at four Woking schools and are **open to all parents to attend**.

3rd June: Goldsworth Primary School 12th June: Hermitage Junior School 18th June: Beaufort Primary School 26th June: Barnsbury Primary School

All events start at 7:30pm and will last up to 1.5 hours

Click on, or scan the QR code to book your free tickets.

Key dates...

Date	Event	Year Group	More Information
June 2025			
Wednesday 18 th June	Parent talks 7.30pm at Beaufort Primary School Talk about Our Kids and Their Tech: Finding a Healthy Balance for Your Family	Their Tech: Finding a Healthy ALL	
Friday 20 th June	Sleepover	Sleepover Year 3	
Tuesday 24th June	KS2 Sports day (field 9am - 11.45)	KS2 Sports day (field 9am - 11.45) Years 3 - 6	
Thursday 26th June	Parent talks 7.30pm at Barnsbury Primary School Talk about Our Kids and Their Tech: Finding a Healthy Balance for Your Family	lk about Our Kids and Their Tech: Finding a Healthy ALL	
Monday 2 nd June	BACK TO SCHOOL	ALL	
July 2025			
Thursday 3 rd July	KS1 Sports day (field 9:15-10:45)	Years 1 & 2	Parents welcome to attend
Friday 4 th July	INSET DAY	ALL	
Tuesday 8 th July	Reception Sports day (field 9:00-10:15)	Year R	Parents welcome to attend
Tuesday 8 th July	Rocksteady Concert 1.45pm & 2.40pm	Rocksteady Concert 1.45pm & 2.40pm attend Rocksteady	
Friday 11 th July	Marwell Zoo Trip	Marwell Zoo Trip Year 1	
Monday 14th July	Grandparents Celebration 9:45 - 10:30	Years 1 & 2	Grandparents welcome to attend. The event will take place on the infant field
Monday 14th July	Year 6 Production - 6pm	Year 6	Year 6 Parents welcome - more information to follow
Tuesday 15th July	Year 6 Production - 2pm	Year 6	Year 6 Parents welcome - more information to follow
Wednesday 16th July	Year 6 Production - 6pm	Year 6	Year 6 Parents welcome - more information to follow
Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th July	Reception Beach Trip	Year R	Please make payment via the Arbor app
Thursday 17 th July	Rocksteady Concert times 1.45pm - 2.30pm	Children who attend Rocksteady	Parents of children who attend Rocksteady

Friends of Goldsworth News

Fundraising News

Thank you to everyone who helped out at Tuck Shop before half term, and to all of you for donating cakes and fruit, you helped us raise £360.52! Our Break the Rules Day raised £375, and this week's Happy School Bag collection raised 226.80 - thank you for all your support with these events!

Dates for your Diary

Non-uniform Day - Friday, 20th June

In exchange for pupils wearing their own clothes, we will be asking for the following donations for the Summer Fayre:

- · Jolly Jars for our jolly jar stall (fill a clean jar with sweets or small toys and decorate it with stickers/glitter/ribbon)
 - · Bottles (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) for our Tombola stall

Summer Fayre - Sunday, 22nd June

Save the date for our biggest event of the year! Your class rep should be in touch with details of your class stall, please do volunteer if you can, we can't run this event without your help!

Legoland discount day – Friday, 4th July

Don't forget to book your discounted tickets for our Inset Day Fun Day at Legoland, the deadline for booking is Thursday, 19th June! Tickets are just £29 (saving over 25%), and children under 0.9m tall and officially registered carers can attend for FREE! Be sure to visit the Friends of Goldsworth booking site to secure your tickets, make payments, and provide all necessary details https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth

Match Funding

Boost Your Impact with Matched Donations! Are you volunteering at the Summer Fayre? You could boost your fundraising contribution by checking if your employer offers matched donations for volunteer hours or charitable giving. Many companies are happy to support their employees' efforts in the community—just ask your HR team! Every extra pound helps support our school, so let's make the most of it together!

Remember to follow us on Facebook <u>www.facebook.com/friendsofgoldsworth</u> and Instagram <u>www.instagram.com/friendsofgoldsworth</u> for updates and reminders.



Limited Offer - Save Over 25% Fri 4th July, Inset Day is Fun Day!

£29 per ticket

Children under 0.9m tall and officially registered carers are FREE!*

Book for your friends & family too! The more the merrier!



Raise Funds for our School & Have Fun!

Deadline Midnight 19th June Booking Opens 8am Sat 24th May

Scan the QR Code or go to our booking site to book, pay and provide us with the necessary details.

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgoldsworth



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	4 SB
13/03/2025	3H	20/03/2024	4 C	03/04/2025	BATS
08/05/2025	3P	22/05/2025	Badgers	05/06/2025	5G
12/06/2025	Rabbits	19/06/2025	5E	27/06/2025 - Friday	5HF



Football Fun Day Saturday 5th July

at Goldsworth School Field

8.45am - 10.45 - Year 2 Boys Tournament 9.15am - 10.30am Year 1 Boys Tournament

11am - 12.15pm - Years 1 & 2 Girls - Activities and Mini-Tournament 11am - 12.30pm - Year 4 Boys Tournament

> 1pm - 3pm Year 3 Boys Tournament Year 3 & 4 Girls Tournament

£7 per child available via Arbor Shop

(all money raised will be put towards Forest School & School Sport

School Lunches...



School lunches are now available to order for the rest of this academic year.

These are charged at £2.80 per day for KS2 children. If you pay for your child's school lunches please always pay in advance at the same time as you place your orders.

Please also note, if your child's lunch account has an outstanding balance of more than £25.00 we will ask that you provide a packed lunch from home until the account has been cleared.

Packed Lunches

Following government guidelines, we believe it is our joint responsibility to teach our children about healthy eating habits and a good packed lunch should contain:

A starchy food such as bread, rolls, pitta bread, naan bread, potatoes, rice or noodles.

A good source of protein, iron and zinc such as meat, fish, beans or egg.

A good source of calcium such as milk, cheese, yoghurt or fromage frais.

A portion of fruit, this can be a piece of fresh fruit or dried fruit.

A portion of vegetables or salad, this could be fresh vegetables (carrot or cucumber sticks for example).

Please ensure that you provide cutlery for your child to eat their packed lunch with if it is needed, school cutlery is not available to be used.

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. Please remind your children not to swap items of their lunch with each other to keep our children with allergies safe. Thank you for your co-operation.

If you have any concerns or questions please email lunches@goldsworthprimary.co.uk.

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.

Swimming...

Week commencing		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
16 th June	АМ	FREE	FOXES	FOXES	FOXES
	РМ	MICE	MICE	MICE	MICE
23 th June	АМ	3P	NO SWIMMING	3P	3P
	PM	MOLES	MOLES	MOLES	MOLES

What to bring for your swimming lesson







Goggles (optional)



Shorts



Costume



Towel



Spare underwear



Earrings

Just a quick reminder; 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.

YEAR 5 AND 6 QUADKIDS 11TH JUNE 2025

On Wednesday, we took 10 children to the Quadkids district athletics event at Woking Sportsbox. They all competed in 4 events; a 75m sprint, 600m long distance run, a standing long jump and a rocket/howler throw.

Everyone did amazingly well but here are some highlights for me:

- **Matthew's** 600m was run to perfection. Started at the back of the pack and once he got to halfway, he slowly overtook and timed his sprint finish to take the gold for that race. He was then the model for everyone else's run.
- Carys H for having an injured ankle but still running the long distance. It showed great determination and spirit to complete that race so well done.
- During the last few races, everyone ran alongside our runners around the track to cheer them on and motivate them which I thought showed great team work and togetherness.

We ended up coming 2nd out of our morning group and 7th overall which is a fantastic achievement (out of 18). They should all be very proud of themselves!

Mr Nower



Do I need to keep my child off school? HSC Public H Agency



Chicken Pox

Until all spots have crusted over

Measles or German

4 days from

Conjunctivitis

No need to stav off but school or nursery should be informed

Diarrhoea & Vomiting

48 hours from last episode

Glandular **Fever**

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Hand, foot & mouth

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Impetigo

Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencina antibiotics

Measles

onset of rash

Mumps

5 days from onset of swelling

Scabies

Until after first treatment

Scarlet Fever

24 hours after commencing antibiotics

Slapped Cheek

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Whooping Cough

48 Hours after commencing antibiotics

Flu

Until recovered

Head Lice

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Threadworms

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Tonsillitis

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Please see link to other languages

https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/publications/do-i-need-keep-my-child-school-english-and-translations

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		
Hand Foot and Mouth	None once rash has developed	High temperature, runny nose sore throat and headache	
Conjunctivitus	None		
Head Lice	None	Treat whole family as soon as you spot them	



From September 2025 Golden Owls Day Nursery will become a term-time only nursery with fully funded sessions available this September.

We provide full day care, 37 weeks of the year for children aged 2 - 4 years. We are open Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 6.00pm.

For further details or to request a registration pack, please email admin@goldenowlsdaynursery.co.uk call **01483 728276** or pop by the nursery for a chat about your requirements



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SUMMER 2025

Multisports

Ages 4 to 11 Arts & Crafts



Goldsworth Primary School

Bridge Barn Lane, Woking, GU21 6NL

Operating Weeks

Standard Day Prices

WEEK1 Wed 23rd, Thur 24th & Fri 25th July

9AM - 3PM

£31

WEEK 2

Tues 26th - Fri 29th August

8AM - 5PM

£38





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NEW BOOKING PLATFORM

NEW



INSET DAY CAMP

9AM - 3PM - £31 8AM - 5PM - £38

FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-11 YEARS OLD

EARLY BIRD 10% DISCOUNT!

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- Hall Games
- Outdoor Sports
- Archery
- Arts & Crafts
- Team Competitions

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- Balloon Volleyball
- Dance
- Parachute Games
- Individual Challenges



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Goldsworth Primary School

Woking, GU21 6NL

For dates & more info visit ntsports.co.uk



WEEK 1

July 28th - July 31st

WEEK 2

Aug 4th - Aug 7th

WEEK 3

Aug 11th - Aug 14th

WEEK 4

Aug 18th - Aug 21st

All Summer weeks are Mon to Thurs.

at Goldsworth Primary School

Dodgeball, Tennis, Capture the flag, Medi man, Ghost train, Basketball, Football, Tower build, Man hunt, Table tennis, Computer games, Arts & Crafts, Scooter boards, Hungry hippos & many more!



AFTER SCHOOL FRIDAY DRAMA CLASSES FOR KS2

6TH JUNE - 18TH JULY

SUMMER 2: DEVISING THEATRE

- HOW CAN WE DEVISE A SCENE?
- HOW TO ENGAGE AN AUDIENCE
- DEVELOPING A CHARACTER
- SCRIPT DEVELOPMENT
- PREPARATION FOR PARENT SHOWCASE
 - 1 HOUR AFTER SCHOOL-







- BOOST CONFIDENCE
- **LEARN NEW THEATRE STYLES**
- IMPROVE PUBLIC SPEAKING
- PLAY EXCITING DRAMA GAMES
- PERFORM FOR AN AUDIENCE
- HAVE LOTS OF FUN!

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Woking Family Centre

Every Friday - 4 weeks

6th June- 27th June 2025 11:30 - 1pm

The Parenting Puzzle

This tried and tested programme can help you deal with challenges supporting a calmer family life.

The course covers:

- Recognising feelings behind behaviours
- Different approaches to positive discipline
- Co-operation and self discipline
- The importance of looking after ourselves

For more information scan the QR code or call: 01483 310419



Woking Family Centre, The Bungalow, Sythwood, Woking Surrey, GU21 3AX



Wise Owl club

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

Dawn Durrant

ddurrant@goldsworthprimary.co.uk

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

From the Wise Owl team

wiseowl@goldsworthprimary.co.uk



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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 dbs@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 be 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 £12.50 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.



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.



Pick-up and drop-off times are busy outside schools. This can cause an increased safety risk to both children and parents.

Parking restrictions outside schools are there to keep you and your children safe. Parking inconsiderately can put people in danger and you also risk being fined.

Safety tips for parking outside schools

When picking up or dropping off children at schools, you should do the following:

Allow yourself plenty of time as the area is likely to be busy.

Do not park on yellow zigzag lines and avoid parking opposite them.

If you decide to park further away, please be considerate of local residents and avoid blocking driveways or access ways.

Fines

Local councils can issue motorists with penalty charge notices (PCN) for waiting, stopping, or parking on yellow zigzags if restrictions are in place. These are issued by civil enforcement officers.

Most parking or waiting fines are now enforced as a civil matter, rather than a police matter. A PCN does not result in a criminal record or points on a license if dealt with by the council.

In some areas, the local council doesn't have civil parking enforcement powers. In these areas parking is enforced by us or by police-employed traffic wardens who will issue a fixed penalty notice (FPN).

These are enforced through the criminal justice system.

Fines can vary depending on location. Stopping in a restricted area outside a school will result in a higher fine. The fee is also halved if paid within 14 days and you have 28 days to pay or challenge the fine.