

NEWSLETTER

Be the best we can be



Deputy Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this finds you well after the Christmas break. We wish you all a very Happy New Year.

I want to start by saying a huge thank you on behalf of the staff for the very generous cards and gifts received at the end of term. They were all very much appreciated and valued.

Despite the cold and icy conditions, the children have been warmly welcomed back and made an excellent start to term. We started the week by launching our focus half termly value of love. We explored different ways of showing love and gave practical examples of being a loving member of our school community. We will continue to teach the children about the meaning of love and hope you will see the impact both in school and at home.

The children have hit the ground running in class and examples of learning include creative writing about the Great Fire of London and learning about the powerful impact oceans have on our planet! In addition, children have been enjoying Forest School, swimming and Mr Nower is refusing to allow the cold to interfere with PE!

After school clubs restarted this week and it has been exciting to see so many children involved. Miss Grahamslaw and her Dance Live Team are in the final preparations for the live performance in Portsmouth at the end of January and we wish them all the best!

Have a wonderful weekend!

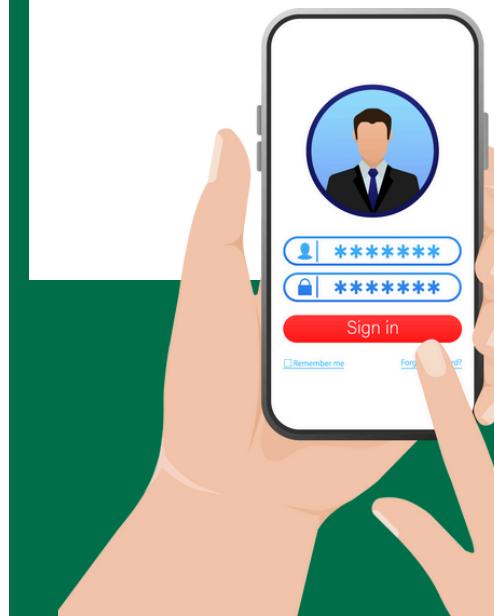
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ABSENCES: If your child is likely to be absent on any day, or part of the day, please report the absence by 8:30am

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.



Key dates...

| Date | | Event | Year Group | More Information |
|--|--|--|------------|--|
| January 2026 | | | | |
| Monday 12 th January | | Planetarium trip | Year 5 | Please make payment via the trips section on the Arbor app |
| Monday 12 th January | | Happy School Bag collections 9am deadline | ALL | |
| w/c Monday 19 th January | | Year 6 Bikeability - 19th - 23rd Jan (9am - 3pm) | Year 6 | Session are now FULL |
| Thursday 23 rd January | | Egyptian Day | Year 3 | Please make payment via the trips section on the Arbor app |
| Thursday 29th January | | Dance Live at Portsmouth Guildhall, Portsmouth | | Children attending Dance Live |
| February 2026 | | | | |
| Thursday 12 th February | | Celebration of work afternoon 3pm - 3.20pm | | |
| Monday 23rd February | | INSET DAY | All | |
| Tuesday 24 th February | | ALL Children back to school | All | |
| Wednesday 25 th February | | Workshop - Lighthouse Keepers Lunch | Year 1 | Please make payment via the trips section on the Arbor app |
| Thursday 26 th - Friday 27 th February | | Sayers Croft Residential | Year 5 | Please make payment via the trips section on the Arbor app |

FOREST SCHOOL REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

FOREST SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE
COLOURFUL YARNS,
WHITE OR OFF WHITE COTTON MATERIAL (EG. BEDSHEET OR PILLOW CASE)
WOODEN BEADS
WATERPROOF CLOTHING
RIBBONS
CLAY
PIN ROLLERS
THICK PAINTBRUSHES



Class Assemblies and Swimming timetable

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 |
|----------|-------|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| 16.10.25 | 6G | 18.11.25 | 4HD | 20.11.25 | RABBITS |
| 27.11.25 | 6P | 4.12.25 | 4SB | 18.12.25 | 6E |
| 22.01.26 | 4D | 29.01.26 | 3T | 05.02.26 | OWLS |
| 12.03.26 | 3R | 19.03.26 | 5H | 26.03.26 | OTTERS |
| 23.04.26 | FOXES | 30.04.26 | 3G | 07.05.26 | 5E |
| 21.05.26 | 5P | 18.06.26 | BADGERS | 25.06.26 | BATS |



| Week commencing | | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
|-----------------|----|--------|---------|-----------|----------|
| 12th January | AM | 3G | 3G | 3G | 3G |
| | PM | 6G | 6G | 6G | 6G |
| 19th January | AM | 3T | 3T | 3T | 3T |
| | PM | BATS | BATS | BATS | BATS |

REMINDER 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.

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Dates for your Diary

Happy School Bags – Monday 12th January

Your child should have brought home a Happy School Bag before Christmas – fill this (or any other carrier bag) with any good quality clothing you no longer need, return the bag to school on the morning of 12th January and every kilogram donated raises funds for our school. The clothes are then repurposed for second-hand use, instead of ending up in landfill.

Easyfundraising

Thank you to everyone who already helps raise money for us via easyfundraising, **we raised £147** through this scheme last quarter, and it's great to see so many new people signing up.

Registering with easyfundraising means you can raise **FREE** donations for us every time you shop online. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to you! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so if you haven't registered already we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely **FREE** and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fogoldsworth/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-email1

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 Lunches...



School lunches for January and February up to half term are available for you to order on Arbor, bearing in mind the 5 day ordering cut off. Please remember that your child's meals account balance must be sufficient to cover all meals ordered and you will have to check out your basket before orders are confirmed.

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. All enquiries will be dealt with in complete confidence.

If you have missed the deadline to order a school lunch please provide your child with a packed lunch from home.

Should your child decide they would prefer a packed lunch from home on a day that you have ordered a school lunch please let us know by emailing lunches@goldsworthprimary.co.uk by 9.30am so that we may cancel the lunch order, avoid food wastage and you being charged for the meal.

Packed Lunches

Eating a healthy, balanced lunch is essential to ensure children have the right nutrients and enough energy to see them through the school day. It can also positively affect children's behaviour in the classroom thereby making learning easier.

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. Please also ensure that your child is able to open their lunchbox/food flask by themselves and that you provide any cutlery they may need to eat their lunch – school cutlery is not available for use.

Please also remember to cut small round foods (grapes, strawberries, cherry tomatoes, etc) lengthways and large fruits (such as melon) and any hard fruit or vegetables (raw apple and carrot) into slices and not small chunks.

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

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Brownies

6th Woking

**Come and join our thriving group for exciting
adventures, games, craft, badges, and more for girls
aged 7–10 years**

**Friday evening at St Mary of Bethany Church hall Visit
www.girlguiding.org.uk for more information and
to register for a place or email
sixthwokingbrownies@yahoo.com**



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