



# GOSDEN HOUSE SCHOOL GOSDEN NEWS

29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

## Gosden House School Christmas Fair

Sunday 1st December, 2pm

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## NEW TIMINGS FOR PRIMARY CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION

Parking on the playground from 1.00 pm

Entry to school - Main Reception from 1.10 pm

Performance to start at 1.30 pm prompt.

You may take your child home with you if you wish but do please ensure that you inform their transport that you are doing so. Your child's class teacher will have a sheet for you, to sign out your child, if you decide to take them.

Thank you, Julie

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December** – Gosden Christmas Craft Fair, 2pm

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Whole School trip to Pantomime

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Primary Christmas Presentation, 1.30pm

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Lunch

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**, 1.30pm – End of Term

### RECENT PARENTMAILS

School Photos - ordering

New Start time for Primary Presentation

Parents' Voices Matter Survey

Year 6 Residential

Christmas Lunch – 18<sup>th</sup> December

Primary Presentation Online Booking

Year 9 Vaccinations

Art Bytes

Christmas Fair

Hand Foot and Mouth

Challengers Workshops

School Photos

Dates for the Diary Falcons

### LOST PROPERTY

We have a number of coats and hoodies in the office that must belong to the children. Please contact the office if your child has misplaced their coat/hoodie. None of them are named which makes it difficult to reunite them. Thank you.



Thank you, on behalf of the  
Armed Forces family, for your magnificent  
support for the Poppy Appeal 2024.

**Gosden House School**

raised **£53.62**

In the Fleet, Crookham, Crondall and Dogmersfield  
area we collected a record total of £82,153. This is  
13% up on last year's total at the end of November.  
Thank you for your contribution to this achievement.



**Bill Tyack**

Poppy Appeal Organiser, Fleet, Crookham, Crondall & Dogmersfield  
07866 081388; [billtyack@btinternet.com](mailto:billtyack@btinternet.com)

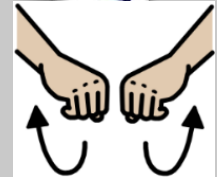
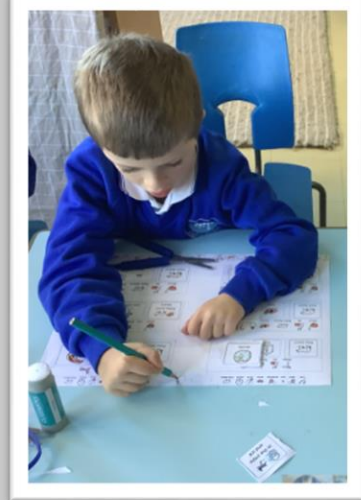
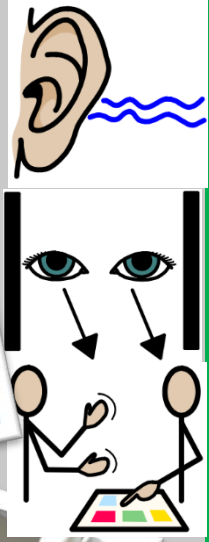
For more information on how this money will be used by the Royal British Legion:  
[www.britishlegion.org.uk](http://www.britishlegion.org.uk)

**The Royal British Legion is Registered Charity number 219279**

The second half term for Badger Class has been just as busy as the first one!



We have been finding out about the Polar Regions. We have used the **Listening, Noticing** and **Explaining** Learning Habits to find information from non-fiction clips and texts about the Arctic and Antarctic and the animals that live there. We have learnt new vocabulary and facts about the icy environment, polar bears and penguins and have created questions and sentences using widgets. In order to practise them we have been saying them and we are working really hard on our pencil control so we can write them too. Did you know that polar bears are the biggest bears on Earth and penguins are birds that can't fly?



# BADGERS

We use our **Keep Trying** Learning Habit every morning as we work really hard on our phonics. We are learning the sounds and cued articulation signs for the sounds, making words with magnetic letters and blending the sounds to make words. The children have also been working on letter formation.

In Maths, we like **Learning Together**, playing Maths games as we practise recognising, ordering and writing the numerals. We have been finding out that numbers are made up of smaller numbers in our Outdoor Learning and have even been working on the part, part, whole model.

Badger Class love swimming, we have been brave and we are doing so well!  
We are enjoying making some Christmas decorations, just remember to come and watch us dance in the Christmas Production!

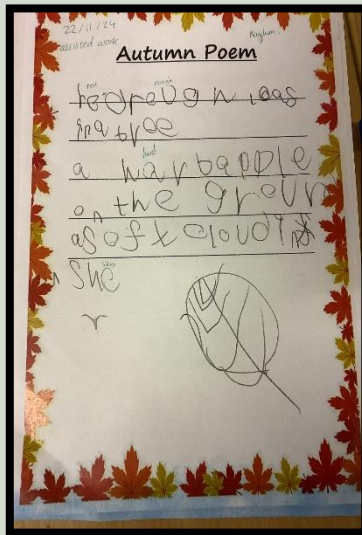
This term we have been looking at light in science. We explored how water changes the way that we see things by experimenting with items in water. We then looked at paintings inspired by water and tried to do our own works of art!



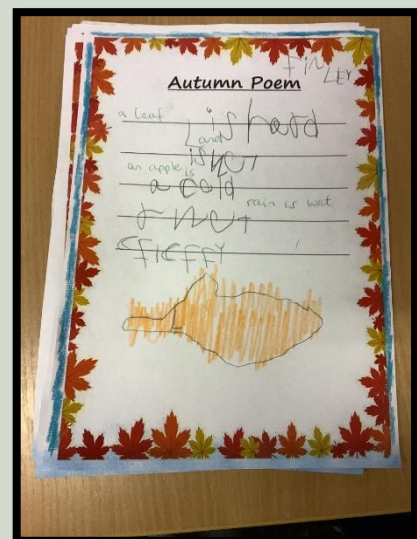
In life skills we have been learning about first aid. We discussed what to do in case of an emergency. We then practiced putting on plasters and dressing more serious wounds. A first aider then came into school and gave us a practical session on how to put someone into the recovery position and how to do CPR. We felt good that we can now help someone in need.



Some of us have been savouring the sights and smells of autumn. In literacy, we went on an autumn walk and collected leaves and berries. We then thought of words to describe what we had found, before writing some fantastic autumn poems. Well done year 8!



A rough leaf in a tree  
A hard apple on the ground  
A soft cloud in the sky  
**Kaylum**



A leaf is hard  
An apple is cold  
Rain is wet  
**Finley**

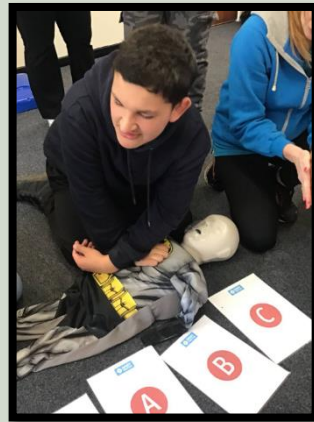




Some of the Year 11 cohort have been working with Paul Sharpe, who is the Youth Development Manager for The Matrix Trust. They have been participating in a six week 'Job Searchers Toolkit' workshop. Each week, Paul joins us at school and shares with the group crucial skills needed in the world of work. These sessions cover areas such as: job applications, finding vacant positions, CVs, covering letters, goal setting, interview preparation, life values and future possibilities.

Next week, is our last session with Paul, where he will be conducting mock interviews based on a specific job vacancy. Each learner will be given a fifteen minute slot to perform under interview conditions.

Last week, we had the pleasure of welcoming 'Daisy First Aid' to Gosden. Feola, the first aid trainer, showed us how to deal with somebody who was unconscious, CPR, bandages, choking, calling the emergency services and how to use a defibrillator. We all used our '**Being Brave**' Learning Muscles to take turns at having a go ourselves!



With work experience starting shortly after Christmas, Year 11 are being introduced to their employers. This week, we had a visit from Surrey Police Workshop, based in Bramley and Bushy Business based in Cranleigh. These employers will be supporting our work experience by having three of our learners for a two week placement. In order to help to prepare our learners for the work ahead, they kindly made the trip into school to introduce themselves, meet the learners and share what they will be getting up to.



# FORGING FUTURES

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Over the last few weeks, our social enterprise project with Forging Futures has continued. The group have been visiting The Forge on the Green each week and have been learning lots about the catering and hospitality industry. This time, the group have called themselves the '**Gosden Great Bakers**' and their chosen positive impact project is to raise funds to allow us to hire a photo booth at prom!



Congratulations to Skye, Harry, Lulu, Joey & Lily-Rose who have passed their Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate. Some of the students will be working in Café's for their work experience, so this is excellent news.



# Upcoming Open Events

## **Brooklands Technical College**

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 4.30pm – 7pm

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 4.30pm – 7pm

[Brooklands Technical College - Vocational training in further and Higher Education](#)

## **Nescot (North East Surrey College of Technology)**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May

You need to register online for these dates.

[Nescot Open Events | Nescot](#)

## **Farnborough College of Technology**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February

*All the Open Days for Farnborough are 4pm – 7.30pm*

[Events from 15 October – 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025 – Farnborough College of Technology \(farn-ct.ac.uk\)](#)

## **Guildford College**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 4.30pm – 7pm

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 4.30pm – 7pm

[Guildford College \(activatelearning.ac.uk\)](#)

## **Merrist Wood College**

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 4.30pm – 7pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 4.30pm – 7pm

[Merrist Wood College \(activatelearning.ac.uk\)](#)

If you have any questions or worries please don't hesitate to contact me via email on: [s.tidbury@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:s.tidbury@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk) or on the school number 01483 892008.



# WELL DONE!

Congratulations to the following students for completing their 'Gosden Toolbox' and successfully collecting 10 'Life Tools'.

Developing these 'Life Tools' will help them now and also prepare them for their exciting future pathways.

Year 7  
Ben  
Katy  
Brooklyn (2)  
Ruby (2)  
Bailey  
George (2)  
Aalia  
Keira  
James

Year 9  
Kevin  
Madiha  
Josh  
Casper

Year 8A  
Donna  
Finley  
Sophie  
Chance  
(2)  
Lily

Year 8S  
Alex S  
Bethany E  
Kelsie

Year 10  
Tia





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- Christmas Eve Wooden Boxes £6
- Handknitted Gonk £8
- Handmade Giant Gonk £12.50
- Giant paw patrol Christmas cracker £3
- Christmas stockings all £3.50
- Large Furry present sacks £4
- Handknitted snow men or owls £8 each
- Santa snoop alarm £3.00
- Gonk or confetti Christmas crackers (6 box) £4 or x2 for £7:50
- Packs of Christmas cards from £1 - £1.50
- Make a present stall £2
- Visit Santa £3.50, booking information coming soon!
- Lookout for the homemade Christmas wreathes and mini Christmas trees
- Bargains to be had at the nearly new clothing and bric-a-brac!
- Christmas raffle details and tickets coming soon!!
- Pin the nose on Rudolph, Guess the name of the Gosden Gonk plus lots more!!!!
- Cash on the day is preferable please 😊



FIND US AT GOSDEN CHRISTMAS FAIR



AVAILABLE IN **3** DIFFERENT SIZES

PRICES START FROM **£15**

PERFECT GIFT FOR GARDEN LOVERS

**90%** OF PROCEEDS  
DONATED TO  
GOSDEN HOUSE

\*10% covers cost of materials

Thank you to everyone for your donations towards the Christmas Fair. We have been overwhelmed with your generosity.



### PTA Committee

- Chairperson – Leanne Rowan**
- Treasurer – Dannielle McInerney-Jlassia**
- Secretary – Carole Traynor**

The Committee hold open PTA meetings, any member can come along, find out what the association are planning, share ideas and get involved. If you would like information or have any questions, please **contact Leanne on PTAgosden@hotmail.com**

Coming up...



FREE

## Support Parents of Children with Anxiety



The Hub, Challengers,  
Guildford, GU1 1TU  
Tuesday 26th November  
10am - 12.30pm

And don't forget our  
regular Family Fun Days on  
Sundays

FREE

## Positive Family Relationships



Challengers Playcentre,  
Farnham, GU9 9QF  
Wednesday 4th December  
10.00am - 12.30pm



Scan to book

To book on visit [disability-challengers.org/thehub/](https://www.disability-challengers.org/thehub/)

For any concerns or support, please do contact Beth Sutton, Child and Family Support Worker (Mon-Fri) or Jane Cowles, Pastoral Assistant (Mon-Weds) at

[bsutton@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:bsutton@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk)

[jcowles@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:jcowles@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk)

[pastoral@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:pastoral@gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk)

You can reach us at 07864 721931 or by phoning the school on 01483 892008.

<https://www.gosden-house.surrey.sch.uk/our-pastoral-support/>

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## **Add Everyone' Group Chats Safeguarding Alert**



Recent concerns have emerged regarding a WhatsApp group known as 'Add Everyone.' Schools and regional police forces across the UK have warned that this group exposes children and young people to explicit and harmful material.

'Add everyone' group chats (also known by other names) are spaces where children and young people are invited, and encouraged to invite others into a group chat. These chats may contain inappropriate content, sexual images, self-harm, sexual violence or racism. Some chats also encourage the sharing of personal details. It can be difficult to control who becomes a member in such chats meaning that children and young people can become vulnerable.

These chats can seem appealing for many children and young people who seek social connection and are not aware of the potential dangers. Chat creators, often strangers, exploit curiosity and share harmful content.

For more information, guidance on managing your child's privacy settings and additional support, please visit [Ineqe Safeguarding Alert- Add Everyone Whatsapp Group](#)

Please speak to a DSL if you have concerns regarding a young persons online safety.

**Safeguarding Team**











Speech & Language Therapy  
Team

★ Makaton Champions ★

Signs of the week w/c 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
(Theme: consent)



This week's champions are:  
★ Nella & Sammy – Foxes Class ★

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 don't like	  Pat chest gently
 yes	 
 no	 
 to ask	 

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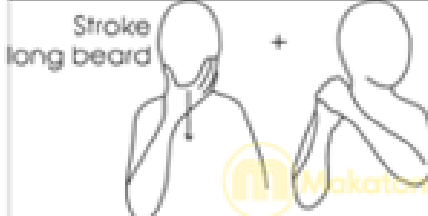
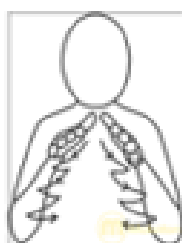
Signs of the week w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024  
(Theme: Christmas)

This week's champions are:

★ Charlie & Sebby – Badgers Class ★



Side right hand  
over back of left  
hand towards body,  
then close right  
hand and place on  
back of left hand



This year Keeper's Theatre Group are proud to bring you a completely free pantomime for all. MAJOR MANGER MAYHEM. On Thursday 19th to Saturday 21st December starting 7pm (2hrs including an interval) at Millmead, Guildford Baptist Church.

We bring you a brand-new retelling with a humorous twist and lots of panto fun, for all ages! Mr and Mrs Bumble are preparing their inn for what turns out to be the busiest night of their lives, as they unknowingly open up their home to welcome the King of Kings.....& all the visitors just keep coming! Entry is free but please register at <https://www.guildfordbaptist.org/panto/> so we know how many ice creams to purchase for the interval!



Millmead.  
Guildford Baptist Church

KEEPER'S THEATRE GROUP  
*Presents*

FREE ENTRY

Major Manger MAYHEM!

7PM - THU 19TH DEC  
7PM - FRI 20TH DEC - WITH BSL SIGNING ✋  
2:30PM & 7PM - SAT 21ST DEC

GUILDFORD BAPTIST CHURCH, MILLMEAD, GU2 4BE  
REFRESHMENTS SERVED

TICKETS FROM:  
[WWW.GUILDFORBAPTIST.ORG/PANTO](https://www.guildfordbaptist.org/panto/)  
(LINK IN BIO)



# Guildford Santa Fun Run Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024!

## Challengers






We are very excited to be bringing all the festive family fun to Stoke Park with Guildford Santa Fun Run in aid of Challengers and powered by Kelly's Storage, on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December... and we would love to see you there! Bring along friends and family and choose between three brilliant routes – a 2.5km, 5km, or 5km canicross fun run! This 'no pressure' event is perfect for families to take part in together, or regular runners that are looking to get in the festive spirit. As Kelly's Storage is kindly covering all the costs of this event, every penny from this amazing day will go straight to Challengers, meaning 100% of all donations, including your entry fee, will provide fun, play and smiles at Challengers! For more information or to sign up, [please see our website!](#)

In aid of **Challengers**

## Guildford Santa Fun Run

Sunday 8th December 2024

Stoke Park, Guildford

-  Festive fun for all the family
-  2.5k & 5k routes available
-  5k Canicross race, dogs welcome!
-  Support an amazing local charity
-  Prizes for best dressed



Sign up here!

[kellystorage.co.uk/santa-run](https://kellystorage.co.uk/santa-run)



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STORAGE

If you would like to make a donation to the school you can do so via the Gosden Children First charity page by clicking on this link <https://wonderful.org/charities/1049925>

You are able to donate directly or to a particular fundraising page that you would like to support.

