



# GOSDEN HOUSE SCHOOL

## GOSDEN NEWS

28<sup>th</sup> June 2024

I had the privilege of joining Gosden House in September 2022. Having been out of school for a long time I was very nervous to get back into the routine. On my first day, I was greeted with big smiles, warm welcomes and lots of laughs. I instantly felt like I was finally in right place.

Gosden House has given me many memories that I will treasure forever, but most importantly I have always felt that I was treated as an individual and felt valued by the staff and my classmates.

I wish my fellow Year 11s the best of luck on their next adventure. This isn't goodbye, it's see you later.

*Charity*

Charity, Year 11

To our graduating Year 11s: You have been wonderful kids and you will be incredible adults. To their parents and carers – you have given Gosden so much, and have co-parented this group so well, through a long, beautiful journey.

We are sad to see you go, but remember that Invisible String – you will always remain Gosden Family!

*Cindy*

Cindy O'Sullivan, Head



**DATES FOR THE DIARY****2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Transition Picnic**3<sup>rd</sup> July** – Primary Move Up Morning**4<sup>th</sup> July** – KS4 Exams Evening**10<sup>th</sup> July** – GOSFEST and Meet the Teacher**15<sup>th</sup> July** – PTA Coffee Morning – 10am**17<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports Day (*except Robins, Owls, Badgers*)**19<sup>th</sup> July** – 1.30pm End of Summer term**RECENT PARENTMAILS****Infinity Performing Arts****Tuesley Farm Trip****KS 4 Exams Evening****Free Health Check****Transition to Secondary****Sports Day postponed****Sayers Croft trip****Online Safety R;pple****LOST PROPERTY – SPORTS DAY TABLE**

We have a number of items in the Lost Property Box, none of them are named. At Sports Day we will put everything out on a table. If your child has lost something please do have a look. Anything not claimed by the end of term will be donated to charity.

Going forward, please make sure that you name all water bottles, school uniform, coats and sunhats as we are unable to return unnamed items. Below is a link to a website that produces sticky name tags. You can also buy special fabric pens.

[Name Tags and Labels | Free Delivery over £20  
\(easy2name.com\)](https://www.easy2name.com/)



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# LUNCH AT GOSDEN



It was SO brilliant to see our daughter in school and enjoying her lovely lunch with her friends. A complete treat for us! The food was really yummy too, and such a healthy selection on offer. It's amazing to know that so much thought, love and care is put into the children's meals every day. Thank you for giving us parents a chance to share in this. **Parent in Primary**



# SUPPORTERS ANNUAL EVENT

## TEA UNDER THE TREES



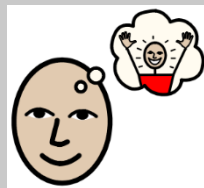
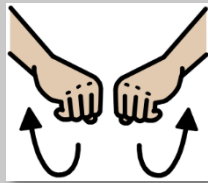
The Gosden Bakehouse team worked extremely hard with Vicki and her team to produce a delicious tea. The Horticulture team had a great selection of plants for sale and all our guests and supporters really enjoyed themselves. Well done, everyone!





Squirrels have been enjoying the summer term and been busy doing lots of learning!

In Maths we have been learning about length and height. We have used our "Keep Trying" Learning Habit to become confident using rulers and objects to measure different items. We also enjoyed measuring out the lengths and heights of different animals, and worked as a team to draw the length of a 600cm saltwater crocodile.



Our topic in Literacy this half term is play scripts. We learned the plays "The boy who cried wolf" and "The three billy goats gruff", this helped us become familiar with the features of playscripts. We loved performing them to Woodpecker class.

In PSHE we have been learning about healthy eating and the different food groups. Squirrels have been impressive remembering the names of the different food groups and explaining why we need them. We made fruit kebabs, and it was fantastic to see some of the children try new foods.



Squirrels had a great time at "Kids Day Out!" last week and are looking forward to our trips to the fruit farm and Sayers Croft!

We are very proud of all the progress the children have made this year.

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Last week, Year 7 were invited to Tuesley Fruit Farm. The sun was shining and it was a fantastic day for fruit picking. We learnt about the farm and how people are paid to pick the fruit. There were many opportunities to pick different fruits including, strawberries, raspberries and blueberries. We ate our lunch in the woods and the owners even made us special cakes which were delicious. The owners commented on how good we were at fruit picking and once we had played in the playground, they packed up the minibuses with an abundance of our pickings. We had the best day out!



I really enjoyed picking the strawberries and doing it properly, **Donna**

I loved eating the fruit, **Finlay**



I had fun at the park, **Alex**

Best day in the world! **Kai**

My favourite bit was picking the strawberries, **Sophie**

I loved being on the back of the tractor, **Lily**



Year 9 have worked so hard on their business project this term, focusing on developing our life skills, ready for Year 10 and 11. The learners decided on products to make, used our numeracy skill to work out the costs and then made the items. We worked as a class to create the shop and made a huge £116 profit! Year 9 decided to go to the lovely Forge cafe to spend the money they had made! Each student had a whopping total of £9.50 to spend!



**Best day ever! The cookies were delicious!**

Everyone made such a great effort to order at the till independently, answering questions about what table number we were, what flavours they wanted, and if they had any special dietary requirements! The Forge Cafe gave us a section in the outdoor courtyard and the class were able to play games and do some colouring whilst drinking and eating what they purchased! A big thank you to Sandra for driving us there on the minibus and to all the staff and students who came to buy our products. We definitely recommend going to the Forge if you are looking for a lovely coffee shop!



**The staff were so kind, friendly and patient!**







Charity, Year 11, designed a logo for the Gosden Bakehouse, which has been printed onto these very smart aprons.





# 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 7W  
Kaylum

Year 8  
Madiha  
Melissa  
Owen  
Alfie  
Ruby  
Casper

Year 7S  
Kai  
Finley  
Chance  
Donna (2)  
Esmee

Year 10  
Leo

Year 9  
Melissa  
Tia  
Lulu





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

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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/>



**Mindworks** - Providing children, young people, families and carers with information about services, advice and resources.

Website: <https://www.mindworks-surrey.org/>

24/7 crisis line: 0800 915 4644

The Samaritans logo consists of the word "SAMARITANS" in white, uppercase, sans-serif letters, centered within a solid green rectangular box.

**Samaritans** offer a safe place for you to talk any time you like, in your own way – about whatever's getting to you. You don't have to be suicidal. It doesn't matter who you are, how you feel, or what has happened. If you feel that things are getting to you, get in touch.

Website: <http://www.samaritans.org/>

Telephone: 116 123 (free to call)

Email: [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)



## Does your child struggle with sleep?

Children and Family Health Surrey has created a series of four videos with nurses and sleep experts giving tips, advice and information about children's sleep. Families with children from birth to 19 years old can call the [Surrey-wide 0-19 Advice Line](https://childrenshealthsurrey.nhs.uk/services/sleep) on 01883 340 922 for support on all aspects of child health, development and parenting including sleep. The Advice Line is available from 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays).

<https://childrenshealthsurrey.nhs.uk/services/sleep>

## Keeping children safe in summer

Children and Family Health Surrey has launched a new [Summer safety tips webpage](https://childrenshealthsurrey.nhs.uk/services/safety-advice-and-tips/summer-safety-tips) to provide summer safety advice to families on how to keep children safe including tips about: sun, heat, cars, beaches, travel, prams, water, cycling and children with additional needs.

<https://childrenshealthsurrey.nhs.uk/services/safety-advice-and-tips/summer-safety-tips>



Place2Be's parenting smart webpage offers practical advice for parents and carers across a range of different subjects. We highly recommend checking Place2Be out for top tips on behaviour support, sleep routines, supporting transitions and more!

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>





The online world can be daunting at times, and often home to harmful content.

In school, we have installed R;pple onto all computers and tablets.

R;pple is a suicide prevention tool intercepting flagged search terms and signposting to mental health support.

R;pple is very easy to download and install on all devices within the home.

To download R;pple onto your/your child's devices, follow this link: <https://www.ripplesuicideprevention.com/> and click 'Install'.





# GOSFEST

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Come and join us at Gosfest in the walled garden, where we will be selling refreshments. We will also have our **Nearly New Sale** where you can buy **clothes** and **accessories** for all age groups at very reasonable prices. (Cash is preferable).

## Coffee Morning



The final Coffee Morning of this term is on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 10am in the Hall.

Please join us and come and help build our school community.

# Speech & Language Therapy Team

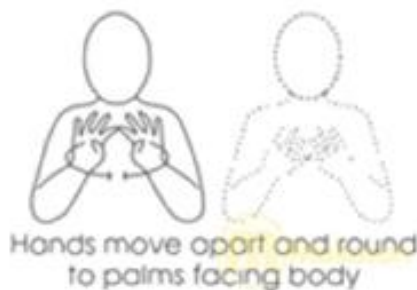
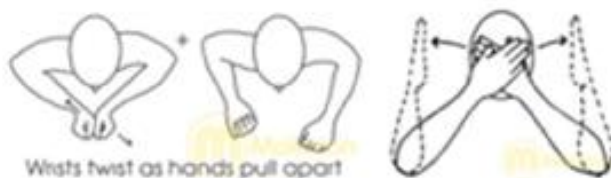
## ☆ Makaton Champions ☆



Signs of the week w/c 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
(Theme: Sports day)

This week's champions are:

☆ **Lola, Lyla & Nella – Badgers Class** ☆





Speech & Language Therapy  
Team

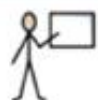
★ Makaton Champions ★

Signs of the week w/c 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024  
(Theme: Transition)

This week's champions are:  
★ Bella and Ted – Rabbits ★



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- ★ School Holiday Theatre Workshops
- ★ LAMDA Lessons
- ★ After School Clubs

An independantly run  
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school suitable for all  
children ages 4-11.





# Disney Workshop

Performing Arts Workshops this Summer at Chilworth Village Hall

★ 22nd - 24th July

★ 29th - 30th July

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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.

