

# GOSDEN HOUSE SCHOOL GOSDEN NEWS

20<sup>th</sup> June 2025

What a busy couple of weeks we have had. You will see as you read this newsletter that the children and staff have all been working really hard. Last Friday, the rain held off and we held our annual supporter's event, Tea Under the Trees. The Catering team, under the excellent guidance of Vicki in Year 10, baked delicious cakes and biscuits for all our visitors. We had a plant store manned by Etta and the Plant Care team. The team worked really hard, selling the plants and serving the customers.

On Thursday, we proudly watched our Year 11 students attend their prom at Cranleigh Golf Club. They looked absolutely fabulous in their dresses and suits and much fun and dancing was had by all. Year 8A have raised an enormous amount of money by organising a sponsored walk. Huge thanks to Jo McGee who planned the event with her happy helping team. To date, over £825 has been raised to go towards providing shade for our all-weather outdoor learning. Thank you to all of you who have sponsored the children so generously.

We are also delighted to share with you our plans for the Gosden Bakehouse project. This will benefit all year groups and is will be an excellent addition to Gosden House.

The sun continues to shine, please do make sure that you children are sent in with water bottles, hats and suncream. Have a good weekend.

Becki Smale, Headteacher









#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Year 11 Leaver's Assembly
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Year 11 Last Day
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Year 7 Transition Day and
Whole School Moving Up Day
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – GOSFEST and Meet the Teacher
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – End of Term, 1.30pm

#### TRAVEL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

If you have not already done so, please remember to complete a new travel assistance application for all current Year 2 and Year 6 students. This is for all students in these year groups regardless of whether they are staying at Gosden House or moving to a new setting in September 2025.

It is an online application process.

Apply for under 16 travel assistance to school - Surrey County Council

#### **OFSTED REPORT**

A copy of our most recent OFSTED report can be found on our website <u>OFSTED-May-25-Final-Report.pdf</u>

#### **RECENT PARENTMAILS**

Sponsored Walk
Trip to Painshill Park
Guildford College Open Days
School Uniform Thursday and Friday
Class Teachers for September 2025
New Teacher Year 11 September 2025
Information re heatstroke and heat exhaustion
Tick awareness
Trip to Sainsburys
Woking Planetarium
On-line Safety Talkie Al App

## SUPPORTERS ANNUAL EVENT TEA UNDER THE TREES







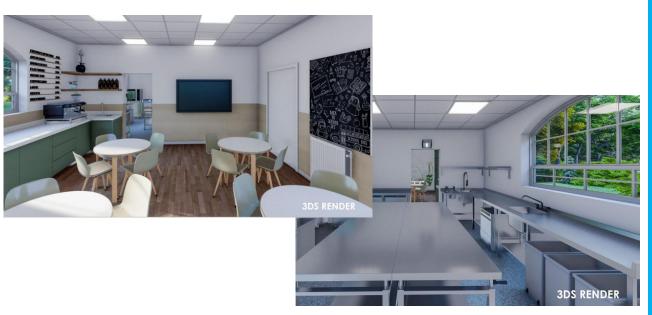
We would like to share with you an exciting project we are about to undertake at Gosden House School next month...





The aim is to provide a kitchen and café area for the pupils of Gosden to learn essential life skills in cooking and serving food and building confidence. Our goal is to extend this by opening the space to the wider community including other students at local schools and over time, the general public. The space will also house our daily Breakfast Club which will temporarily move to the Food Tech room in the main building during the works.

The Bakehouse will be available for all years within the school to use, the workbenches even move up and down to enable all ages and heights to take part!



Year 7 have worked incredibly hard this term and filled up their pom-pom jar and earned a trip to Snoxhall Park along with an ice-lolly!





They had lots of fun playing different activities with their friends and enjoying the sunshine.



The adults were so proud of them and we are looking forward to all of the fun activities for their last weeks of Year 7!

On Thursday we had the whole school sponsored walk, organised and run by Year 8A. So far, we have raised an amazing £825! This will go towards providing shade for all weather outdoor learning at Gosden House School.









The Primary children completed fun games along their route and particularly enjoyed the pass the cup of water game. This helped them understand about some parts of the world that do not have easy access to clean water. The Secondary students followed a trail, completing a quiz linked to the work and efforts of WaterAid. We are super proud of everyone. A BIG well done to 8A for organising this event.



Wow! What a fabulous night at Cranleigh Golf Club for prom!

Year 11 arrived in their beautiful dresses, super smart suits and terrific transport. There were smiles and happy tears all round. We enjoyed a night of delicious food, disco dancing and a photobooth. As always, the class reminded us of how much they have grown up and blossomed this year. A great night, enjoyed by all!







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#### **Surrey Hills Country Fair 2025**

Date: Saturday 21 June &

Sunday 22 June 2025 Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Venue: Merrist Wood College



Free for U16's, it is a great opportunity to explore land-based careers. This is a fantastic weekend brimming with traditional country skills, local craftsmanship, and family-friendly activities. Held in partnership with Surrey Hills Enterprises and Merrist Wood College, this event showcases the best of rural life and countryside skills while celebrating the beauty, heritage, and community of the Surrey Hills. Among other activities, attendees can witness expert demonstrations in forestry management, horticulture and animal husbandry, brought to life by Merrist Wood's talented teams and students; meet a wide range of animals from far and wide, learn from veterinary students, visit the nocturnal enclosure; explore Merrist Wood's courses. Young people can discover Merrist Wood's renowned land-based courses, meet students, and see them in action. From animal management and equine studies to horticulture and arboriculture, this is a unique opportunity to learn first-hand about career paths and opportunities in rural industries. Follow this link to find out more and to book tickets: Surrey Hills Country Fair 2025 - Merrist Wood College and University Centre

#### halow Building Futures- Spaces Available

Building Futures is halow's pioneering, community-based life skills programme for young adults with learning disabilities and autism. The SEND-funded programme runs four days a week and aims to support our young people to:

- Prepare for adulthood
- Access work and volunteer opportunities
- Essential life skills training
- **Build Independence**



If you know a young adult who might benefit from this programme visit their website to find out more, or contact Siona. Booth@halowproject.org.uk



Active Surrey are hosting a FREE Webinar with Q&A: **Food**, **Feelings and Neurodiversity** for parents of children with neurodiversity. The webinar will explore

- Why children who are neurodivergent may struggle with food and eating
- Gentle ways to support your child's relationship with food
- Real-life strategies to make mealtimes calmer and more connected

#### 10th or 14th July

Book a free place online

at <a href="https://bookwhen.com/activesurreyevents?tags=Niki#focus=ev-sa9l-20250710133000">https://bookwhen.com/activesurreyevents?tags=Niki#focus=ev-sa9l-20250710133000</a>









#### Family Support



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/



#### Early Help for Families in Waverley

Organisations offering support to families will be at Loseley Family Centre on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Call in for a cuppa and to talk to Action for Garers, Challengers, Elysian, Godalming Youth Service, Home Start Waverley, SEND Support Advisors, and many more.

2-3pm - Community Hour (open to all residents)
3-4pm - networking opportunity for practitioners
4-5pm - Focus time for school staff

There's no need to book, just turn up. For more information email kathy.guy@barnardos.org.uk



Waverley Family Centre, Green Lane, Binscombe, Godalming, Surr GU7 3TB and Upper Hale Road, Farnham GU9 0LR



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#### Waverley Family Centre

The First Thursday of the month 1.30-3.30pm at Granleigh Library

## The First Thursday Parent/Carer Support Group

- A support group for parents and carers of children with additional needs.
- · Come with or without your children.
- Stay for as long or as little as you like.
- Refreshments provided.

For more information scan the QR code or call: 01483 417157



Join us this
summer on 3<sup>rd</sup> July,
7<sup>th</sup> August
(including LEGO
play for
accompanying
children), and 4<sup>th</sup>
September.

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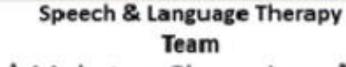
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Gosdenberry! A fun fundraising musical afternoon in our beautiful walled garden, to raise money for our school. Rotary in Guildford presents It's also a great DENBER opportunity for our children to meet up and visit the school GOSDEN HOUSE grounds in late **Event Highlights SCHOOL** August, helping with **BRAMLEY GU5 OAH Live Performances** Musical entertainment from local the return to school in performers and Surrey Bands. Also an AUGUST 25<sup>™</sup> 2025 open mic for those with the ability! 2pm to 6pm September. This year Cream Teas Cream Tea included with Adult entry **About Our Event!** the PTA will be tickets bought on line before 25th August running a Pimms stall, Join us in the School's magnificent Soft drinks and Pimms Bar by School Walled Garden for an afternoon of Parents' Association. entertainment whilst supporting so if you can help or Raffle Rotary Charities and Gosden House Raffle in aid of the Guildford Mayor's School would like further Charity 'The Cheryl King Trust' "Enabling All Young People To Make Music" information please Fun Bring your chairs, rugs and picnic to enjoy contact the relaxing fun afternoon. (sorry, only Guide/Sensory dogs allowed Louise at £12 Tickets available using the QR code and also available paul.louise.dallain@g from the website at www.rotaryinguildford.org No cream tea included with Tickets bought at gate for £10 mail.com

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### ☆ Makaton Champions ☆

Signs of the week w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 (Theme: Transition #1)

This week's champions are:











#### **AMAZON WISH LIST**



Gosden House School

#### **Gosden House Wish List**

https://www.amazon.co.uk/registries/gl/guestview/HLH16NVYVLGU

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 <a href="https://wonderful.org/charities/1049925">https://wonderful.org/charities/1049925</a>
You are able to donate directly or to a particular fundraising page that you would like to support.



