EGOLDSMITH GAZETTE Dream Rise ASPIRE

19th May 2023

We have had a couple of jam-packed weeks in school and it has been truly wonderful to see all our pupils taking part in the celebration of our new King for the Coronation!

Thank you to all of those who supported WAT a Run. Your support meant the world to us as a school, and no doubt helped us cross the finish line! I also want to say a huge well done to all children who participated in sporting events over at Rivers Primary Academy and other schools recently, you were all great representatives of our school and we are very proud of you!

We look forward to seeing the children in school on Monday, ready for the last week before half term.

~Mr Ingles, Head of School





Last weekend, members of our WAT family participated in our extraordinary WAT a Run event, to launch the Windsor Academy Trust Community Foundation. Our team completed two marathons in just two days, visiting all the 10 schools within the Trust.

Thank you to all who have supported the event on the day or leading up to it. So far nearly £4,500 has been raised for our Foundation! Every penny counts and will help us make a difference to the lives of young people and their families in our community.

A HUGE congratulations to our very own Mr Ingles, Mrs Jones, Mr Perrin and Mr Stanton for participating on their legs of the run! We look forward to WAT a Run 2024!





You can still support the Windsor Academy Trust by donating on the link below: https://heartofenglandcommunityfoundation.enthuse.com/cf/windsor-academy-trust-wat-a-run





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Goldilocks 2 Year Old Provision

Do you have a child, or know someone who has a child, turning 2? We are accepting admission forms for our September 2023, January and April 2024 intakes! Please be quick as these spaces fill fast.

We now accept both funded and paid places to cater for all families. If you are eligible for a funded space, you should receive a 'Golden Letter' containing a 'time to start' code from Walsall Council. You can also call Walsall Family Information Service on 01922 653383 and request your child's 'time to start' code.

Goldilocks is now based, along with our Nursery, in our brand new Nursery building. The setting has top of the range facilities and is a fantastic start to your child's learning journey.

Please contact the main office for more information.

Note: Our Nursery spaces are becoming very limited unless your child has attended Goldilocks first.





Year Group Attendance:

Year 1 - 92%

Year 2 - 90.6%

Year 3 - 94.9%

Year 4 - 92%

Year 5 - 98.2%

Year 6 - 99.6%

Dinner Money

A friendly reminder to those of you who pay for school meals, ParentMail accounts need to be credited in advance of children receiving a meal, to prevent any outstanding balances arising.

Many thanks.

Hotspot Friday's BE IN TO WIN!

Each Friday, children from across school will be randomly selected to win a prize if they have achieved any of the following:

- Shown most improved attendance
- Currently on 96% or more
- Achieved 100% attendance

Keep on coming to school on time every day!

DREAM, RISE, ASPIRE, ATTEND!

Please ensure that if your child cannot attend school for any reason, that you make the school aware.





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Mr Perrin has been busy organising lots of fun sporting activities for our pupils last month. We are so proud of our students for taking part and representing our school!

Our Year 4's also took part in a friendly target games festival with pupils' from Rivers Primary Academy. They all had lots of fun involving Ten Pin Bowling, Archery, Boccia and Curling.

The Year 4 Tennis team showed great determination in their event at Shelfield Academy. They had to show resilience when they had to quickly change to an indoor venue due a large rain shower!

And finally, we are extremely pleased to announce that Goldsmith Primary Academy has received the GOLD School Games Mark. This recognises the fantastic engagement and participation of our students in competitive school sport. Launched in 2012, The School Games Mark is a government-led award scheme facilitated by The Youth Sport Trust. It aims to reward schools for their commitment to the development of Physical Education and School Sport across their curriculum and in the community. We are delighted to have been recognised for our success in this area for a 2nd year in a row!

Year 1 have recently participated in a 'Robin Hood Running Games' event in collaboration with Rivers Primary Academy. All of the children enjoyed representing Goldsmith in sport for the very first time. Well done Year 1!



Swimming:

Our Year 5 swimmers have achieved great progress in their intensive swimming course, in the schools pop up pool. The pupils have exceeded all expectations and we are very proud of them! At the start of the programme, we had 10 pupils with swimming ability to now having 38 pupils being able to swim! Well done Year 5 for showing fantastic courage and resilience!

For the remainder of this half term, our Year 6 pupils will be continuing the intensive swim programme by swimming every day. We are really looking forward to the impact the swim program will have for the children.



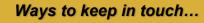




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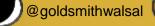
We have continuously reported cases of head lice in school, we ask you to be extra vigilant when checking your child's hair and to please treat if any are found to prevent head lice spreading to other children. If any are found, it is important to continue treating and checking your child's hair until all live lice, as well as eggs, are fully removed. Your child can continue to attend school whilst you are treating their hair, any child absent due to the reason of head lice will be recorded as unauthorised in accordance with Public Health England and the local authority. We advise regular head checks by parents to help identify any situations as early as possible.

Should you need any assistance or advice with this, please contact school.



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Some recent highlights from school:

Nursery & Goldilocks:

Nursery and Goldilocks have recently learned about Jasper's Beanstalk during the last few weeks. They have learned about different parts of a plant and planted their very own beanstalk to grow. They have also taken part in their very own 'Mini Beast Hunt' like Jasper did in the story! They had a fantastic time searching the forest and were very brave whilst discovering insects.



This week, Reception are learning about 'Space and the Solar System!'

Today, they have learnt fun facts about our solar system and all the planets that orbit the sun. They then demonstrated how the planets orbit around the sun themselves.



Year 4:

Last week, Year 4 had an amazing 'Viking Forest School', experience led by Mr Anderson. They learned how to light a fire, build a shelter, and wrote messages in ancient Viking runes. At the end, they gathered around the campfire to eat flatbread and soup - just like viking warriors would do, at the end of a long day in battle. It was an incredible experience that everyone enjoyed!







We have kindly received donations of plants from Miss Angela's parents for our 'Goldilocks' Garden'. Our pupils have had a lot of fun planting them.

We now have many strawberry, tomato, and lettuce plants, we can't wait to watch them as they grow, and hopefully our pupils will have lots of things to try during their snack time!



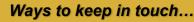


Year 3:

Year 3 have been investigating mass in Maths recently.

They measured, then compared items in mixed units. The collaboration and communication skills demonstrated made Miss Fleming very proud! Well done 3a!





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One of our wonderful pupils has demonstrated her civic duty! Lottie has courageously donated her ponytail to a charity in support of children, who through various illnesses, lose their hair. We so are proud to have Lottie in our community!

So far, Lottie has raised an incredible £537.50 in donations! You can still donate to this wonderful cause via the link below:

https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/Lottie-

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Year 4:

Year 4 have thoroughly enjoyed their sessions with professional musician Paul for their Artsmark project! They have created their very own school song about diversity and were all very creative, and worked collaboratively to write the lyrics.







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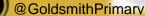






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The 'Goldsmith Guild' have been very busy the past few weeks, shadowing and judging the books in the Yoto Carnegie Awards. They have accepted the illustrator's challenges and are producing art work in the style of the books they have been judging. Our pupils have been very creative while making the display board for their work!

'I have really enjoyed reading and talking about the books' ~ Drew H

'It has been wonderful seeing the 'Goldsmith Guild' working together to judge the books' ~ Mrs Thomas,

Group Leader











