Autumn 1 6th September 2019

Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

"Life is all about our growth, not our trophies" - Bear Grylls

# Latest News

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#### Welcome Back

Thope you all had a fantastic summer and were able to relax, get away and generally spend quality time with loved ones. I would like to welcome the year 3 children and parents to the school. The children have settled in so well to their new surroundings, look fantastic in their new uniforms and are ready to learn. I am sure they will all do themselves proud. They are also being well looked after by their year 6 buddies. Here's to another fantastic year ahead! Curriculum Evenings

We are looking forward to seeing you all at our Curriculum Evenings next week. This is a time to find out more about the coming year for your child's class. This will include information about routines, expectations, trips and themes the children will experience in their different. year groups. There will also be an opportunity to speak to your child's teacher. The days and times for the meetings can be found on the reverse of the newsletter in the dates section and on the website calendar. It would be great if we can finalise who will be Class Reps at these meetings too. If you feel you are able to give a small amount of time to liaise with other parents about class matters we encourage you to consider the role of Class Rep for the year, you may wish to share the role with another parent. Clubs

Once again, we have a huge range of clubs on offer this term and the children will be able to sign up for these on Monday and Tuesday next week. Please contact the external providers directly if you would like your child to sign up for these. Clubs will commence the week beginning September 16th. School Uniform

Just a reminder that the children should be in their autumn/winter uniform as outlined in the School Uniform Policy and we do encourage the children to have their PE kits in all week and if possible to avoid wearing kits home as it is often forgotten when required again. School Shop

This year Mrs Munz, the School Bursar, will continue to run the School Shop selling stationery products that are on the children's kit list. A price list of the products is attached and can be found on the school website in the Parent Information section.

<u>School Value</u> Continuing with our focus on core values which were introduced two years ago, we will be concentrating on the value of **RESILIENCE** this term. The children will have weekly assemblies encouraging them to reflect on what this value 'looks like'. They will learn about how we all need resilience in order to be successful, how we can be resilient learners as well as learning about prominent people that showed resilience in the face of adversity. There will also be follow up sessions in class. We also ask that they are referred to and reinforced at home as well as school. If there is anyone you feel we should be learning about who was or is a model for resilience then please let us know!

#### 10richment

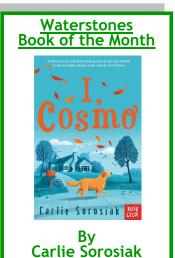
We continue to offer the children unique enrichment opportunities as part of our 10richment programme with some NEW entries. This year we will be celebrating Human Rights Week and Earth Week. We kick off the 10richment season with Poetry Week during the first week of October which coincides with National Poetry Day and we will be visited by guest poet James Carter who will be working with the whole school on Friday 4th October. His poster is attached along with his web address.

### <u>School Lunches</u>

The cost of a school meal is £2.35. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please contact the school office. Children having packed lunches also have the option to have a school meal on a Wednesday and/or Friday. If they wish to opt in on these days, orders for all school meals will be taken by the class teacher on the Monday of that week. It is SCC pol-icy that all school meals are paid for in advance. Many thanks.

And Finally... We are pleased to announce that Mrs Johnson gave birth to a happy and bouncing Noah Johnson over the summer holidays! Congratulations to Annabel and Ian!

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WELCOME BACK !

## **House Points**

Mars

Neptune

Saturn

Jupiter



# PTA News

A huge welcome to the new academic year from the school PTA. We hope you all had a wonderful summer and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at next week's Welcome BBQ where we will be offering **A FREE DRINK** on arrival. This will be taking place on **Friday 13th** between **6.00pm** and **8.00pm** at GJS. This is a great opportunity to meet up again after the summer holidays and also welcome our new families into the Godalming Junior School community.

We will also be having a Quiz Night on Friday 4th October so please put the date in the diary!



# School Achievement

### Pupil of the Week:

These will be announced next week.



TRUST — Values Champions: 3CM – Arlo 3SD – Keeley

4EM — Megan

4AJ – Oscar 5EC – Chloe 5CP – Rose

6RH – Henry 6JP – Esther



# **Sports News**



# **Diary Dates**

### September:

#### 11th: 11th: 12th: 12th: 13th: 13th: 16th-20th: 20th: 30th-4th: October: 4th: 7th-11th: 24th: 24th: 28th-1st: 29th:

**Autumn 2019** Year 3 Curriculum Evening @ 6.00pm Year 4 Curriculum Evening @ 7.00pm Year 5 Curriculum Evening @ 6.00pm Year 6 Curriculum Evening @ 7.00pm House Elections PTA Welcome BBQ @ 6.00pm Year 6 trip to UKSA PTA AGM Poetry Week PTA Quiz Night Healthy Week-MHW

Y4 Greek Day PTA Halloween Disco HALF TERM INSET DAY



Inset Days 2019/20 Wednesday 4th September 20 Monday 4th November 2019 Friday 14th February 2020 Monday 20th April 2020 Friday 22nd May 2020