

Love

Article 31:
Every child has a right to relax and play



Live

Article 19:
Every child has the right to be protected from abuse, violence and neglect

Learn

Article 28:
Every child has a right to an education

Spring 12
1st April 2022



Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

Latest News

GJS 401 Challenge Stage 4 Target: 3,147m

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Happy Easter

Everyone at GJS would like to wish every member of our community a wonderful Easter break. We hope you find time to relax, enjoy and spend time with loved ones during this holiday and we look forward to seeing you back on **Wednesday 20th April**. A reminder that **Tuesday 19th April** is an inset day. We will also be sharing out inset days for next year, when we return after Easter and will be in our first newsletter of the summer term.

Ben Smith and his 401 USA Challenge—Stage 4

As the weather begins to improve and the days get longer, it will be great to see each year group continue to rack up the miles in support of Ben Smith whose challenge across the USA draws ever closer! Next term we try and achieve the next stage of his journey by achieving 3,147 miles in each year group. This equates to roughly 50 miles a child, which may sound like a huge distance but divided up between the weeks in the first half term equates to about 8 miles, which is just over a mile a day. More than achievable. Don't forget to take into account the journey to and from school, any walks after school and at weekends, the approximate distance ran at school, at clubs, for teams at the weekend, in the pool, on the bike or even in kayaks and on horses! Everything counts and every mile matters! Good luck!

RESPECT Values Champions

Well done to all our VC's this half term for being walking embodiments of our **RESPECT** value. Always an extremely difficult task for teacher to nominate recipients, these children have fully embraced the RESPECT value in everything they do. Well done. Our attention turns to **INDEPENDENCE** and what this means to us all next term. Whether this is showing a greater level of independence in lessons, on the playground or even coming into school! As we draw closer to the end of the school year, we must all encourage the children to be more independent. Anything you can do at home to reinforce and support our efforts here would be appreciated!

Summer Uniform

As we move into the summer term children may return to school in their smart summer uniform. You can find the school uniform policy [here](#) and please note that though winter uniform is still an option, the children are required to wear a tie IF they are wearing the 'winter' shirt. Please can you inform the school office or your child's teacher if for any reason you are experiencing any uniform issues and ensure all uniform is named. Should you require any additional 'nearly new' uniform, including summer dresses and shorts, please contact the school office as we have stock available in our second hand shop. **Please also note that children must be dressed in full winter uniform on 23rd May when their class photographs will be taken.**

GJS 'HeadSpace' Surgery—'How we tackle bullying at GJS'

As we work towards our Anti Bullying Alliance accreditation, we would like to share with parents what we do at GJS to tackle bullying during our next Headspace 'surgery' session on **Monday 25th April**. Mr Samson will lead this session and will share what the role of our Anti Bullying Stars are, how we address bullying, how we educate the children and he will be on hand to answer any questions on what constitutes bullying behaviour. Once again, the session will start at 9.15 and refreshments will be available. Please contact the office to register.

School Lunches

The cost of a school meal is £2.45. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please contact the school office. Weekly cost will be £12.25 and the cost for next half term will be £63.70. We would like to remind you that it is Surrey County Council policy that school meals should be paid for in advance. Please top up your account on Parentmail regularly.

Support for Ukraine

More fantastic fundraising efforts from Digby, Felix, Huxley, Otis, Sam and Sammy in Y5, who battled the cold and snow to hold their cake, toys and book sale yesterday at the Chippie Park. They raised an amazing **£255.10** towards the Red Cross Ukraine Crisis appeal. Furthermore, Play Action International's Ukraine Play Box Appeal, aims to give boxes of toys and play materials to Ukrainian children over the coming weeks. Please click [here](#) to see how you can help this appeal.

Godalming Swimming Club

Godalming Swimming Club is recruiting new members and would love you to come and give their club a try. If you love swimming and have reached Level 7 learn to swim or equivalent please get in touch and arrange a free trial. They are based at Godalming Leisure Centre and training takes place from 6pm on most evenings.

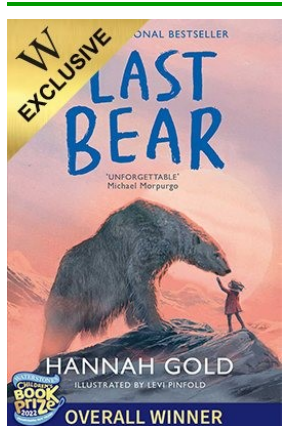


House Points

Saturn	1199
Mars	1122
Neptune	1012
Jupiter	865



Waterstones Book of the Month



PTA News

A huge thank you to all those who attended and helped out at the PTA Quiz night last Friday. The night was a resounding success with the winning team of "We Quit!" clinching the number one spot and Prosecco prize by one point. The night itself raised £1,098 for the PTA fund which is incredible, so well done to all those thirsty attendees.

The next confirmed PTA event is the annual Summer fair on Friday 8th July. Please pop the date in your diary and we look forward to seeing you there.

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM - Amelie
 3EC - Millie
 4EM - Toby
 4GS - Eric
 5SD - Bethany
 5CJ - Sophie
 6JP - Sam
 6RH - Murdo



Attendance Winners: 4EM – 98.3%

Anti Bullying Stars Break time Champions: 6JP

RESPECT Values Champions

3CM—Gracie
 3EC - Harley
 4EM - Niamh
 4GS - Artemis
 5SD - Sam
 5CJ - Rosie M
 6JP - Florence
 6RH - Elise



Sports News

Watch out for lots more exciting sporting fixtures to come next term!

Diary Dates

Spring 2022

April
 1st: END OF TERM @ 1.15pm (Saturn Mufti)
 19th: **INSET DAY**
 20th: RE Easter Day
 25th: GJS 'Headspace' Surgery "How GJS tackles bullying"
 26th: Y5 Hockey Tournament at Broadwater 3.30-5.00pm
 26th: Y3 Football Tournament at Tillingbourne 1.00-4.00pm
 May
 23rd: Imago Class Photos
 24th: Sports Day - Y5 9.30am / Y6 1.30pm
 25th: Sports Day - Y3 9.30am / Y4 1.30pm
 26th: END OF TERM (House Mufti)
 27th: **INSET DAY**



Inset Days 2021/22
~~Wednesday 1st September 2021~~
~~Monday 1st November 2021~~
~~Monday 21st February 2022~~
Tuesday 19th April 2022
 Friday 27th May 2022