

Love

Article 31:  
'Every child  
has a right to  
be happy'

Live

Article 19:  
'Every child  
has a right to  
feel safe'

Learn

Article 28:  
'Every child  
has a right to  
an education'

Spring 8  
4th March 2022



Godalming Junior School

# Newsletter

## Latest News

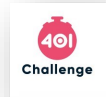
### GJS 401 Challenge Stage 3 Target: 2,540m

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)

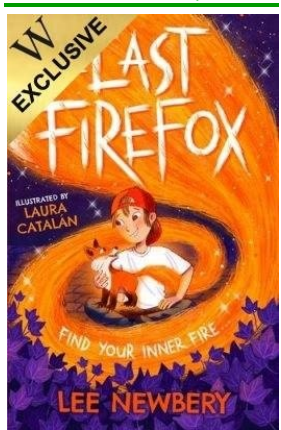


### House Points

Saturn	986
Neptune	964
Mars	917
Jupiter	898



### Waterstones Book of the Month



### Ofsted Information Evening

Thank to those who took the time to attend the information evening on the Ofsted inspection process on Wednesday evening. I hope those who attended found it gave further detail to the official Ofsted report. The slides from the evening can be found [here](#). Once again, if there is anything further you would like to know about the inspection, school priorities and improvement plans, then Mr Samson, or any member of the leadership team at GJS, would be more than happy to update you further. Please contact the school office to make an appointment or feel free to speak to us on the playground or school gates.

### World Book Day at GJS

GJS was a dangerous place to be on Thursday as it filled up with some of the most notorious villains around! The costumes that the children wore were sensational and we were impressed with how many of them stayed in character all day! Book Week is always such a valuable time to talk about the magic of books and the children (and staff) shared their memories, favourites and recommendations over the course of the week. Don't forget to use your £1 book token by 27<sup>th</sup> March!



### 'The Hundred' Cricket Visit

On Wednesday, we had a visit from Rhianna Southby, who is the wicket keeper of the Women's Hundred winning team the Oval Invincibles. The children had a chance to see the huge trophy and ask her any questions about cricket that they had. It was a really exciting event to see a professional cricketer and to hear her experiences.



### Ben Smith and his 401 USA Challenge—Stage 3

Keep logging the miles as NEXT WEEK we will be sharing where each year group has got to in Stage 3 of the challenge. The number of miles will also be logged in the newsletter. Remember, each year group is trying to achieve the mammoth total of 2,540 miles in Stage 3 (that is about 40 miles a child...at about 8 miles a week!) It is never too late to log the miles and be active! Remember 'Happy Legs, Happy Head'. As we have our hall display of the 401 Challenge now, we would like photos of the children engaging in their physical activities! You can find out more about Ben's epic challenge [here](#).

### GJS 'HeadSpace' Surgery—E-Safety

Thank you to everyone who attended the E-Safety 'surgery' session on Monday run by Miss D, our Computing Lead. The slides are available [here](#), where you can also find the handouts from previous 'surgery' sessions. Our next session on Monday will focus on supporting your child with reading at home and will be run by our English Lead, Miss Martin and there is still space to attend. If interested, simply contact the school office. Surgery sessions begin at 9.15am and last for about an hour.

### Spring Term Parent—Teacher Consultations

The appointment booking system is still open. Please register via Parentmail.  
Tuesday 22nd March — 6.00pm to 8.30pm and Thursday 24th March — 3.30pm to 6.00pm

### Living with COVID Update

The key message to maintain a healthy school community states that pupils should continue to stay at home if they are generally unwell. Should they display COVID symptoms your child must still have a PCR test and stay at home, avoiding contact with other people for at least 5 full days and continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days. For further information on the government's new 'Living with COVID' guidance please click [here](#) (page 22).

## PTA News

Quiz Night. Please save the date - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March from 7.30pm.

Further details will be sent out next week.

## School Achievement

### Pupil of the Week:

3CM - Syd  
 3EC - Eli  
 4EM - Chloe  
 4GS - Aaron  
 5SD - Jasmine W  
 5CJ - Amber  
 6JP - Florence B  
 6RH - Abby



Pupil Awards



Attendance Winners: 6RH & 3CM – 98.7%

Anti Bullying Stars Break time Champions: 5SD

### FRIENDSHIP Values Champions

3CM - Wilf  
 3EC - Eli  
 4EM - Charlie  
 4GS - Toby W  
 5SD - Lorca  
 5CJ - Harry  
 6JP - Joe  
 6RH - Sienna



## Sports News

### Y3 & 4 Sportshall Event

This week, children from Year 4 represented the school in a Sportshall Athletics competition at Broadwater School. They did brilliantly, showing great speed and agility. They managed to come third overall and all thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

### Inter-house Netball Tournament

There is an inter-house netball tournament on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March**. If your child has signed up, they will need to wear their PE kits with their house t-shirt on this date. House t-shirts are available to purchase for £2 via Parentmail.

## Diary Dates

### Spring 2022

#### March

7th: 'Help your child with reading' Parent HT Surgery  
 7th–11th: TT Rock Festival Week  
 10th: Inter-house Netball Tournament  
 10th: Y4 Football Tournament at Tillingbourne School  
 10th: Y4 Swimming each week until 31st March  
 11th: Y6 World War II Roadshow & Dress Up Day  
 14th–18th: 10R–SCIENCE WEEK  
 21st–25th: 10R–EARTH WEEK  
 22nd: Parent-Teacher Meetings (6.00-8.30pm)  
 24th: Parent-Teacher Meetings (3.30-6.00pm)  
 25th: PTA Quiz Night–7.30 to 10.00pm

#### 26th:

Earth hour

#### April

1st: **END OF TERM (House Mufti)**

19th:

**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