

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

Summer 5
26th May 2022



Godalming Junior School

Newsletter



Latest News

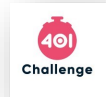
GJS 401 Challenge Stage 4 Target: 3,147m

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

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[Year 6](#)



House Points

[Mars](#)

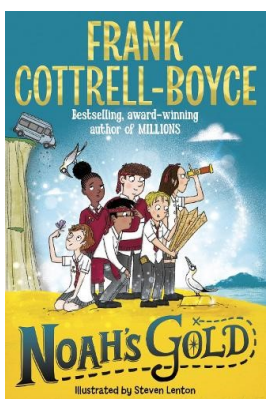
[Saturn](#)

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[Jupiter](#)



Waterstones Book of the Month



Sports Days

The children battled against the elements this week during their sports days. Years 3 and 4 performed brilliantly and showed great skill and speed at each event they took part in. Despite the damp, blustery conditions which made it very difficult for the egg and spoon races (!), the children showed great determination to score as many points as possible for their house. As it stands Neptune are currently in the lead for the overall crown of Sports Day Winners as they came first in both the Year 3 and Year 4 competitions. However, with the rained-off second half of the Year 5 sports day to complete and the whole of the Year 6 competition to finish, the overall winners is still up for grabs. New dates for rescheduled Year 5 & Year 6 sports days are listed under 'Sports News'. To be continued....!

Perseverance Value

After celebrating our INDEPENDENCE Values Champions last week, we start to focus on PERSEVERANCE for the last half term of the year and we already witnessed fantastic examples of this value during our Sports Days this week. Once again, we will be immersing the children into this value during our weekly assemblies, circle times and PSHE curriculum and we always appreciate this work being reinforced at home, especially as we begin to look towards next year, new classes, new teachers and new schools coming into sharp focus. We are fully aware that there are children who find elements of school life difficult and further encouraging them to be and show PERSEVERANCE is a way of trying to maintain a positive mental attitude!

Clubs Survey

As we look ahead to our clubs next year, we would like your children's help. We would like to know the clubs they have attended and suggestions of possible new ones they would like to see on offer next year. Please can your child fill out this survey even if they did not attend a club since September, as any feedback will help us gauge options for next year. Please find a link to the survey [here](#).

Maths Competition

Our wonderful Maths team took part in the National Mathematics Competition Semi-Final today. They faced more quick-fire, multi-step and complicated worded problems and did themselves proud, both as mathematicians and as team-players, supporting each other fantastically. Unfortunately, we have not qualified for a place in the final but having whetted our mathematical appetites, we will most certainly be trying again next year! Well done everyone who took part - Barnaby, Simona, Harry, Oli, James, Florence, Ruby and Freddie.

Platinum Places, People, Papers Art Work

Today we unveiled our wonderful framed artwork inspired by suggestions by the GJS community, which will adorn our entrance hall in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee. We had our longest serving member of staff, our youngest child, oldest child and former pupil on the staff unveil the works! Godalming Carpets generously made a donation to the school and contributed to the framing costs and are exhibiting some of our Year 6 artwork in their windows.

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!

Defibrillator

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far to this important fundraiser. We have currently raised £305. There is still time to help support the school in reaching its goal. If you are willing to contribute, please visit our [Just Giving](#) page [here](#). Any donations made would be greatly appreciated and of course, we will be informing local residents and the school community, once it has been installed.

Happy Half Term

Remember we have our final inset day of the year tomorrow and we wish everyone a restful and enjoyable half term break.

PTA News

Godalming's Jubilee Town Show and Carnival - Saturday 4 June 2022

Calling all Kings and Queens, Princes and Princesses! Red, White and Blue? We need you! You're all invited to dress up and join the Jubilee Carnival Parade. Starting at 12pm from the Pepperpot, the parade heads down Godalming High Street, past Waitrose, and around to The Bury's field. The Town Show runs until 8pm, with brilliant live music, stalls a plenty, lots of great food and drink, and rides and activities for the kids to enjoy. And the best bit, all money raised on the day goes to local charities and good causes, so you while you have fun, the community benefits - win win! So make sure you come and join us, we can't wait to celebrate her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee with you all!

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM— Nathan
 3EC— Emilia
 4EM— Ted
 4GS— Lilian
 5SD— Kaio
 5CJ— Freddie
 6JP— Josh
 6RH— Megan



INDEPENDENCE Values Champions

3CM—Grace
 3EC—Amara
 4EM—Emi
 4GS—Edward
 5SD—Jack
 5CJ—Charlie
 6JP—Florence B
 6RH—Thomas



Sports News

Y5 & 6 Sports Day—Rescheduled Dates

The Y5 & Y6 sports days have now been rescheduled to take place during the children's normal PE sessions on the dates below. They will take place at the Canon Bowrings Recreation Ground (Chippie) at 1.30pm on both days. Please ensure children come dressed in their PE kits with their house t-shirts and a waterbottle.

Y5—Monday 13th June

Y6—Tuesday 14th June

Diary Dates

Summer 2022

May	
27th:	INSET DAY
June	
7th–9th:	Y6 First Aid sessions (school)
7th:	Y6 Cricket tournament at Farncombe CC
7th:	Y5 Musicworks Workshop (school)
9th:	Y5 & 6 Cricket tournament at Farncombe CC
13th:	Y5 Sports Day (rescheduled) at 1.30pm—Chippie
14th:	Y6 Sports Day (rescheduled) at 1.30pm—Chippie
13th–17th:	Commonwealth Week
16th:	Y5 Cricket tournament at Farncombe CC
17th:	Inter-house Kwik Cricket Tournament—'The G-Ashes'
20th–22nd:	Y4 Sayers Croft Residential Trip
July	
5th:	District Sports Day (date change)
5th & 6th:	Y6 Production—A Midsummer Night's Dream
11th–15th:	Y6 UKSA Residential Trip



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

Inset Days 2022/23
 Thursday 1st September 2022
 Monday 31st October 2022
 Friday 10th February 2023
 Monday 17th April 2023
 Friday 26th May 2023