

Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

'Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all the darkness - Desmond Tutu

Latest News

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House Points		
Saturn	646	
Neptune	562	
Mars	462	
Jupiter	387	



Waterstones Book of the Month



Amelia Fang By Laura-Ellen Anderson

Poetry Competition—RESILIENCE

Well done to all the children who entered our RESILIENCE House Poetry Competition. Once again, the standard was tremendous which made judging so difficult. We had kennings, haikus and even acrostic poems! The overall winners were:

Saturn-Darren Pearson-5RP Mars-Amelie Weaver-4SD Neptune-Kaylin Reed-6JP

Jupiter—Amy Ward—3AJ Darren's entry will be gracing our Poetry Corner as the overall winner. Congratulations to all our winners and we look forward to our competition next year!

Year 5 Trip to Preston Manor & Hove Museum This week Year 5 visited Preston Manor as part of their Victorian topic. EVERYONE went, in costume, in an effort to 'show off' their cooking and cleaning skills and be 'recruited' as a member of staff at the Manor. The children had a great time 'in role' learning about life during the Victorian era and the kinds of conditions they would have lived in if they worked in such a place and time. The trip truly brought alive the topic! <u>Healthy Week Monday 9th—Friday 13th October</u> As part of Healthy Week we will be running a series of activities to promote active lifestyles.

As part of Healthy Week we will be running a series of activities to promote active lifestyles. On Monday 'Skipping4Schools' will be running workshops throughout the day for ALL the chil-dren, which has been funded by our dedicated PTA. They will also be around at the end of the day should anyone wish to purchase a skipping rope. On Thursday, Dave Jeffs visits the school to run tag-rugby workshops for ALL the children and on Friday the 'Bleep Test' re-turns. On this day (Friday) we will be holding a 'red' mufti in aid of The British Heart Foun-dation and ask the children to bring in a donation of at least £1. The children also have the option of being sponsored for their Bleep Test efforts to raise even further funds for the BHF. A form can be downloaded from the school website in the Admin and Letters section. With so many 'sporty' activities next week it would be great if the children had their PE kits in school all week.

<u> Macmillan Cake Sale</u>

Continuing with our charity work, last Friday we managed to raise a fantastic **£245** from our cake sale in the Art Studio. Thank you to everyone who baked, bought, iced, prepared, sold and ate!

Parent E-Safety Workshop—10th October 2017 On Tuesday, 10th October at 2pm we will be hosting a workshop for parents to help demystify the online technologies used by your children and to provide guidance on how to keep them safe when they are online. Please advise the school office if you would like to attend. School Council

The School Council has now been formed and will be working closely with Mr Samson over the course of the year in looking at ways to improve the school. We welcome: 3NJ-Amber Wright and Max Penlington

- 3AJ-James Barnetson and Amy Ward
- 4SD-Katy Yeo and Matthew Chalmers 4EM-Noah Adam and Connie Betterton
- 5RP—Martha Francis and Oliver Jermy
- 5AC-Oliver Mason and Annabel Mitchell 6RH-Lucy Kargaci and Ben Lee
- 6JP-Isaac Adam and Yasmin Howseman

<u>Data Collection Sheets</u> Data Collection sheets will be coming home next week. Please check that the information is correct, complete any missing details and return to the school office. Thank-you.



PTA News

Come dressed to scare for the Godalming Junior's Halloween Disco which takes place on Friday, 20th October from 6pm-7.30pm. Tickets £4-more details to follow soon. A meeting to discuss the disco and future events will be taking place on Friday 13th October at 2.00pm in the Art Studio, if class reps are available to attend that would be great! Future Event:

PTA Race Night-Friday 17th November-£5 a ticket including free drink-more information to follow.

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week: 3AJ – Miles Goodman 3NJ – Sam Gardiner 4SD – Eva Bozhkova 4EM - Theo Plaistowe 5RP – Jake Abilama 5AC – WHOLE CLASS! 6RH – James Beardall 6JP- Toby Carmichael-Parsons



Attendance Winners: 3AJ

Sports News

<u>Glebelands Cross Country-Saturday 11th November</u> Sign up sheets are with the class teachers for children to put their names down if they would like to take part in the cross country this year. For Year 3 and 4 children the distance will be approximately 700m and for Year 5 and 6 the distance is approximately 1300m. Parents are responsible for their children on the day with the event run-ning from 9.30–11.30am. Further information can be found on the 'Team GJS' board. The children will have until **Friday 20th October** to sign up.

Diary Dates

Autumn 2017		
October 9th–13th: 9th: 10th: 13th: 16th–20th: 20th: 23rd–27th:	HEALTHY WEEK Skipping Workshop School Photographs Parent's E-Safety Workshop 2pm Bleep Test & Red Sports Mufti Hero Week PTA Disco HALF TERM	AUTUMIN
30th: 31st: November 3rd: 6th–10th: 17th: 22nd: 23rd: 29th:	INSET DAY Born Free Visiting Speaker—Year 6 UKSA Parents Information meeting 6-7pm 'Phil-The-Bag' Remembrance Week Year 3 and 4 Nasal and Flu jabs Parent -Teacher Consultation Evening 6.00—8.3 Parent—Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30—6.0 Year 5 Victorian Exhibition 6.00—7.00pm	Inset Days 2017/18 30th October 2017 16th April 2018 23rd July 2018 30pm

Please be aware that penalty notices can be issued for unauthorised leave of absence for five days or more. Penalty Notices are issued per parent per child and the amount due is £60 if paid within 21 days, rising to £120 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the Penalty Notice re-mains unpaid after 28 days the Local Authority must consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court.