'Success is the ability to go from one failure to another with no loss of enthusiasm' - Winston Churchill

Latest News





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Poetry Week-10richment

This week the children celebrated the third of our '10richment Weeks' with Poetry Week and launched the Inter House Poetry Competition. The children were made of aware of the details this week and more information can be found on the school website. Children have until **Friday 2nd November** to get their **PERSEVERANCE** poems in and ALL entries score valuable points for their houses. Who will join Darren Pearson and have their poem added to GJS Poetry Corner?

GJS Food Bank

As you know, two years ago the School Council suggested the introduction of a food bank at the school and since then it has been an invaluable resource for vulnerable families in the community. Once again we need donations of dry food goods and toiletries as stocks are running low. Anything you are able to donate is gratefully received and much appreciated! School Value

Continuing with our focus on core values which were introduced two years ago, we will be concentrating on the value of FORGIVENESS next half term which will also inform the theme of our Christmas Carol Concerts. The children will have weekly assemblies encouraging them to reflect on what this value 'looks like'. They will learn about how we all need the ability to FORGIVE and be FORGIVEN as well as learning about prominent people who showed FORGIVENESS. 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.

Air Pollution

GJS and local residents would really appreciate it if parents waiting to pick up or drop off children at the beginning and end of the day could turn off the engines of their cars whilst they are waiting. We are always reminding the children how they can be more Eco Friendly and we believe we should ALL be modelling this behaviour as adults as well. Thank you!

Lollipop Crossing

Monday afternoon, you may have seen a number of people on Meadrow wearing Hi-Vis jackets. Surrey County Council and the local police were undertaking a risk assessment to ascertain the risk and usage of children crossing the road. Local councillor Penny Rivers also attended and joined myself and parents to share views on the current situation. We now wait to find out what the outcome of the risk assessment is and will share this with you as soon as we find out. Duncan Knox from Surrey County Council will be commissioning a traffic speed and volume survey to gather more information.

Site Manager role

We have advertised for a Site Manager role which we are sharing with Busbridge Infants. If you are interested, you can find more details on the link below:

https://www.eteach.com/job/site-manager-1009219?lang=en-GB&frmsrh=Y

Secondary School Applications

The deadline for secondary school applications is **October 31st.** For more information and to apply online visit surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or call 0300 200 1004.

Dan Eley Foundation

Thank-you to everyone who donated money on MUFTI day and helped raise a fantastic £210.70 for the Dan Eley Foundation.

INSET Day Reminder

Remember the children are back after half term on <u>Tuesday 30th October</u> as the Monday is a Confederation of Schools wide Inset Day.

Governor's News

Godalming Junior and other local schools are considering forming a *Godalming Learning Partnership*. This would be a charitable trust remaining part of the local authority system, with our school retaining its autonomy, but giving the opportunity to work collectively with other local schools to ensure that all our children continue to receive the highest level of education. Please visit our website for further information including how you can give your views. Pease note—the consultation period closes today 19th October—we'd love to hear what you think.

PTA News

We are looking forward to a fantastic Halloween Disco this evening. Please drop your child off at the main reception **not before 6pm** and collect from the playground at 7.30pm.



SAVE THE DATE—24th November is Godalming Town Day. The PTA welcomes all support to help at this money raising event. More details to follow.

School Achievement



Attendance Winners: 3CM



PERSEVERANCE — Values Champions:

3CM — Abby Chiverton 3SD — Eleni Moreanu 4EM — Oliver Williams

4AJ — Billy King

5EC — Amelia Cook

5CP — Theo Plaistowe

6RH - Reuben Cox

6JP — Tom Shepherd



Sports News

There is still time for children to enter the Glebelands Cross Country run on the morning of **Saturday 10th November**. More information is available at the school office. The distance for Year 3 and 4 is approximately 700m with the Year 5 and 6 event over a distance of 1300m. Anyone can enter!

Diary Dates

Autumn 2018

October

22nd—26th: HALF TERM 1NSET DAY

November

2nd: Prospective Parent Tour—11.00am
2nd: Year 5 Alice in Wonderland Theatre Trip

5th-9th: Remembrance Week

Bikeability Year 6

8th: Prospective Parent Tour—9.00am 12th: Prospective Parent Tour—11.00am

15th & 16th: Bikeability Year 4

20th: Parent-Teacher Meetings (Late)
22nd: Parent-Teacher Meetings (Early)



<u>Inset Days 2018/19</u>

Tuesday 4th September 2018-Wednesday 5th September 2018 Monday 29th October Monday 25th February Tuesday 23rd April