



# Newsletter

*"Words are easy, faithful friends are hard to find" - William Shakespeare*

## Latest News



### World Book Day—Thursday 5th March 2020

This year we celebrated the life and works of one of our greatest writers during Book Week and World Book Day. This year will be the 150th anniversary of Charles Dickens' death and to mark this we have learnt about his wonderful stories, his fascinating characters and his remarkable life. It was great to see so many children embrace the day and come as ghosts, Artful Dodgers, Bills, Nancys, Miss Havershams, Bobs, Pips, Ebenezers and even books! Thank you for all your donations which will go towards 'up -levelling' class libraries!



### World War Two Roadshow

On Monday, year 6 travelled back in time to experience life as a WW2 evacuee. We all dressed up in WW2 attire and took part in a range of activities. We learnt how to put out an incendiary bomb, how to carry patients on a stretcher safely and how to use a stirrup pump to put out a fire. As we sat inside an Anderson Shelter, we heard the noises of explosions and crashes around us and read a range of posters that were used in the war. The children all had a great time and learnt lots about the Second World War.

### After-School Clubs

Due to Parents Evening taking place next week all teacher-led clubs will be cancelled (including SCL Netball, Boogie Pumps and Charterhouse Club).

Please note that Year 6 Netball, Core Football and Computer Xplorers WILL take place on Tuesday 10th March as usual.

### House Points

Neptune	470
Mars	427
Jupiter	364
Saturn	277

### Our Voice Survey

Surrey County Council are running a survey for children and young people to share their views on the things that matter to them. To get your voice heard click on the link [here](#).

### Surrey Youth Games 13th & 14th June 2020

The Surrey Youth Games is a great opportunity for children and young people to try a new sport. Eight weeks of FREE coaching is available for a variety of sports in preparation for the games which take place at Surrey Sports Park. More information can be found [here](#). Well done Sofia Hawkins who, as a Surrey Youth Games Ambassador, spoke to the whole school this morning about the sports on offer, the venues and dates!

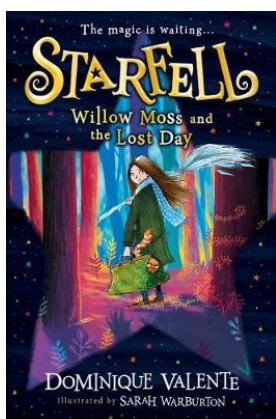
### Friendship Values Champions

Congratulations to all our FRIENDSHIP Values Champions who were celebrated this week for being great friends to others at GJS. Next half term we will be focussing on the value of RESPECT and what this 'looks like' and how important the value is. Once again, we would really appreciate your support through conversations you have with your child at home about this value.

### Car Park

Unfortunately, we have had 2 occasions recently where the staff car park has been used to drop children off. This resulted in those cars being blocked in and then a staff member being taken out of class to move their car. The car park is used throughout the day by staff. Please refrain from parking in it, even to drop off. If a staff member is unavailable to move their car it may result in you being blocked in until break time.

### Waterstones Book of the Month



## PTA News

### Family Film Night 19th March

Godalming Junior's Family Movie Night is happening once again next month. Last year's event was a huge success and we look forward to welcoming you all once again for a fun and entertaining evening. Doors will open at 6.15pm with the film starting at 6.30pm. The cost is £2.50 per adult and £2.50 per child which includes drinks and snacks for the children. If you would like to join us please complete the attached slip [here](#) and return to the school office with payment in a sealed envelope. For the adults there will be a bar with a selection of drinks. The children are welcome to come along in their PJ's and bring a blanket if they wish. The film will be chosen by the children at assembly (the loudest cheer will determine the one shown)!



## School Achievement

### Pupil of the Week

3CM – Cleo  
 3SD – Rosie S  
 4EM – Grace  
 4SV – Darcy  
 5EC – Joshua  
 5CH – Abigail  
 6RH – Chloe  
 6JP – Ava



Attendance Award—4EM 98%

### FRIENDSHIP – Values Champions:

3CM – Christie  
 3SD – Ellie  
 4EM – Tess  
 4SV – Otto  
 5EC – Rose  
 5CH – Chloe  
 6RH – Oliver  
 6JP – Rose



## Sports News

Good luck to all the children taking part in the Godalming Schools Swimming Gala tomorrow night at Charterhouse. We look forward to hearing all about in next week's newsletter!



## Diary Dates

### Spring Term 2020

March	
7th:	Godalming Schools Swimming Gala @ Charterhouse
9th–13th:	SCIENCE WEEK
10th:	Parents Evening (Late)
12th:	Parents Evening (Early)
16th–20th:	TT Rock Festival
20th:	Inter House Basketball Tournament
23rd–27th:	EARTH WEEK
23rd:	Primary Music Festival @ Dorking Halls
26th:	School Photos
April	
2nd:	RE Day—Easter
3rd:	END OF TERM @ 1.15pm
20th:	INSET DAY
21st:	START OF SUMMER TERM
23rd:	Governors Day
May:	
8th:	Early May Bank Holiday (Friday)
11th:	SATS Week
22nd:	INSET DAY
25th–29th:	HALF-TERM HOLIDAY



### Inset Days 2019/20

~~Wednesday 4th September 2019~~  
~~Monday 4th November 2019~~  
~~Friday 14th February 2020~~  
**Monday 20th April 2020**  
 Friday 22nd May 2020