



Newsletter

'Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none' - William Shakespeare

Latest News



Adverse Weather

Please keep checking the school website for updates regarding the status of school opening hours in light of the adverse weather we have been experiencing and the weather we may experience this term. We will endeavour to keep you updated and try our hardest to ensure any disruption is kept to a minimum. We also would like to remind you that the children should bring in appropriate footwear during this time e.g. wellies or walking boots that they can change into should it be safe to go outside during break-times etc.



Inter-House Poetry Competition Launch—Friday 19th January to Friday 2nd February

This morning Mrs Crook, our English Leader, launched our Inter House Poetry Competition for this year. TRUST will be the theme and the children will have until **Friday 3rd February** to get their Trust poems in. They need to be handed in to their class teachers ensuring they are clearly named and labelled with their class as well as the house they are in. Children should write their poems on paper, no larger than A4, and they can be colourful. ALL entries score points for their house and there will be further prizes for those shortlisted which will also be put on the school website. So get writing! Further information can be found on the school website in the house section.



Parent-Teacher meetings

Can we remind parents that appointments to see class teachers should be made with the school office and to make them for after school as before school starts they are preparing for the day ahead.

Value—Trust

Continuing with our focus on core values that were introduced last year, we will be concentrating on the value of **TRUST** this term. The children will have weekly assemblies that encourage them to reflect on what this value 'looks like' and will learn about the importance of trust and how it links to other values such as **FORGIVENESS** and **HONESTY**. We also ask that **TRUST** is referred to and reinforced at home as well as school.

House Points

Saturn	509
Neptune	442
Mars	399
Jupiter	382



GJS—Food Bank

Donations keep coming in which is fantastic to see. The 'Bank Bin' is in the entrance hall and will remain there all year accepting any donations you are able to make. Please remember we can accept non-perishable goods, toiletries and cleaning products. We thank the School Council for coming up with this **COMMUNITY** idea! If you are aware of any families who you think could benefit from the food bank please contact Karen Sutton, Home-School Link Worker, in confidence (01483 421597).

Project: Peace Garden

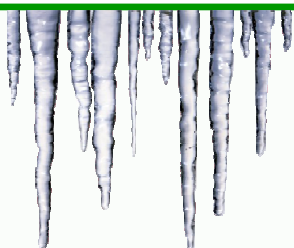
Last week we re-launched 'Project Peace Garden' across the **WHOLE** school. The children were encouraged to be creative, gather ideas, create designs and collaborate with others to help transform an area in the back playground into a more welcoming and conducive space for peaceful activities; a contrast to the front playground. There is still time to put designs together as the closing date is **Thursday 9th February**. Further information can be found on the school website.

School Shop

Please remember that the school shop is open every day and sells all the essential stationery at a much cheaper price than in the shops.

School Meals

We would like to remind you that it is Surrey County Council's policy that school meals should be paid for in advance.



PTA News

HELP NEEDED: Do you struggle to attend PTA meetings and events but would still like to help—then read on. We are looking for someone to run our PTA Facebook page, this is just for the PTA and is used to let everyone know what events we have coming up. If this is something you think you can do then please let us know.

Dates for the Diary:

Drum roll please the Christmas Fair totals are in! We raised a fantastic £1462 and the Christmas pudding sales raised an additional £717 these are fantastic amounts so thank you to everyone.

PTA Family Film Night	Thursday 9th Feb
PTA Quiz Night	Friday 28th April
PTA Disco	Thursday 25th May
PTA Summer Fair	Friday 7th July

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3NJ— Joey Lewis
 3AJ— Georgia Bates
 4SD— Raffy Long
 4TT— Mia Warrington
 5RP— Toby Carmichael Parsons
 5AC— Aidan Cozens
 6JS— Jessica Clark
 6JP— Jessica Price



Attendance Winners: 6JP

Sports News

Sportshall Athletic Competition at Woolmer Hill School

Yesterday afternoon, Miss Pulley and Mrs Mole took a group of Yr5 and 6 children to compete in a Sportshall Athletic competition at Woolmer Hill School. There were some Olympic inspired performances across the event, and the children won lots of their heats! Overall, we came 4th and had a wonderful afternoon. The children were a real credit to the school and showed great sportsmanship. A special thank you to all of the parents who gave up their time to transport the children to and from the event- it could not have happened without you!

Inter House Football Tournament—The GJS Premier League—Week

It was another exciting set of fixtures this afternoon out on Stadium 'Astro'. We saw eight teams working hard together with neat passing and great shots on goal. There was the long range effort from Filippas (6JP) - just wide!; tackling from Phoebe (6JS); superb dribbling from Sam (3AB) and a rabona attempt from Harry (4TT)!

Well done to all who played!



Diary Dates

Spring 2017

February:

3rd: Bleep Test 2: The Return
 10th: Confederation of Schools Inset Day
 13th-17th: HALF TERM
 28th: Parent-Teacher Meetings 3.30-6.00pm

March:

1st : Parent-Teacher Meetings 5.30-8.20pm
 2nd: World Book Day
 20th: Shakespeare Week
 31st: End of Term 1.15 finish



Inset Days 2016/17
10th February 2017
 18th April 2017