

Love

Article 31:  
'Every child  
has a right to  
be happy'

Live

Article 19:  
'Every child  
has a right to  
feel safe'

Learn

Article 28:  
'Every child  
has a right to  
an education'

Spring 5  
4th January 2022



Godalming Junior School

# Newsletter

## Latest News

### GJS 401 Challenge Stage 3 Target: 2,540m

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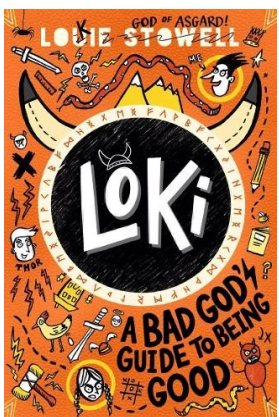


### House Points Mars Mufti Day Friday 11th February

Mars	<b>6038</b>
Jupiter	5816
Neptune	5339
Saturn	5153



### Waterstones Book of the Month



### 10R—Arts Week—21st—25th February

Our next 10R enrichment week of the year will take place after half term. The theme is around the arts and children will be taking part in art, DT, drama or music activities, which further 'enriches' areas of the curriculum they are studying. The children will also be taking part in our whole school art project in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Further information will be announced on Monday in assembly and the children's homework will be based on this project. The children will be asked to access the MS Form within their Google Classroom area where more will be revealed. Watch this space and feel free to discuss your ideas with the children too!

### Ben Smith and his 401 USA Challenge—Stage 3

We still would like the children to continue to log their miles this half term in support of Ben and his 401 USA Challenge. We now look ahead to each year group trying to achieve the mammoth total of 2,540 miles in Stage 3 (that is about 40 miles a child...at about 8 miles a week!) We will continue to update the children during our weekly assemblies and it is never too late to log the miles and be active! Remember 'Happy Legs, Happy Head'. As we have our hall display of the 401 Challenge now, we would like photos of the children engaging in their physical activities! You can find out more about Ben's epic challenge here.

### GJS 'HeadSpace' Surgery

As COVID numbers decline nationally, locally and internally, we are confident that our surgery sessions will resume once again after half term. We therefore will be running our 'Keeping children safe online' session on **Monday 28th February** after which will then return to the format of holding the sessions on the first Monday of every month. We will run our 'help your child with reading' session on **Monday 7th March**. These sessions will start at 9.30am and if you are interested in attending one or both of these sessions, then please contact the school office.

### Friendship Values Champions

Today we celebrated the Friendship Values Champions across the school in our assembly. Always an extremely difficult task, the teachers nominated children who have truly embraced this value when working in class and playing outside and have been true ambassadors and shown great FRIENDSHIP qualities. Well done to all the children who can be found on the reverse of this newsletter.

### Data Collection Sheets

We are still awaiting the return of a number of data collection sheets. Would you kindly check your child's school bag for any documents that may need returning. With thanks.

### Homework Club Returns

After half term our popular homework club will be returning for those who may need extra time and a quiet space at school to get ahead with their homework. This will take place on a Tuesday lunchtime in 6JP and will be run by either Mr Samson or Mrs Wilkinson. The club is a 'drop in' service for anyone throughout the school who would like to attend.

### 'Food Bank Friday'

Once again we are asking for food bank donations of dried goods such as tinned goods and cereals as well as toiletry products such as toothpaste and shower gels. Our Food Bank bin will be outside the Hallam Road gate again next Friday morning at drop off. Any donations are greatly received and will be of real benefit to our families

## PTA News

Quiz Night. Please save the date - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March and look out for more information in the coming weeks.

## School Achievement

### Pupil of the Week:

3CM -  
3EC -  
4EM -  
4GS -  
5SD -  
5CJ -  
6JP -  
6RH -



Pupil  
Awards



Attendance Winners: 5CJ - 98%

Anti Bullying Stars Break time Champions: 5SD

### FRIENDSHIP Values Champions

3CM - Wilf  
3EC - Eli  
4EM - Charlie  
4GS - Toby  
5SD - Lorca  
5CJ - Harry  
6JP - Joe  
6RH - Sienna



## Sports News

### Y5 Football Tournament

Y5 took part in the Y5 football tournament at Tillingbourne on Thursday. They played absolutely brilliantly, topped their qualifying group, breezed through the semi-finals and competed admirably in the final. Although they lost the final just 1-0, they performed so well in all their games, winning 4 games in a row and scoring 7 great goals! James managed to grab 5 of them! Well done Year 5 - Seb, James, Barnaby, Archie, Sam, Felix, Freddie To, Harry, Liam, Kalin, Rafael and Freddie Tw.

## Diary Dates

### Spring 2022

#### February

7th–11th: Y6 Mock SATS Week  
7th: E-Safety Parent Headspace Surgery (Zoom) @ 9.15am (Postponed to 28th Feb)  
8th: E-Safety Assembly  
9th: Y3 & 4 Dance Festival–Broadwater School  
11th: Mars House Mufti  
14th–18th: HALF TERM  
21st: INSET DAY  
21st–25th: 10R–ARTS WEEK  
24th: Y4 Swimming each week until 31st March  
28th: E-Safety Parent Headspace Surgery

#### March

28th–4th: 10R–BOOK WEEK–VILLAINS  
3rd: World Book Day–'Villainous Mufti'  
7th: 'Help your child with reading' Parent Headspace Surgery  
7th–11th: TT Rock Festival Week  
14th–18th: 10R–SCIENCE WEEK  
21st–25th: 10R–EARTH WEEK  
22nd: Parent-Teacher Meetings (Late) TBC  
24th: Parent-Teacher Meetings (Early) TBC  
25th: PTA Quiz Night  
26th: Earth hour

#### April

1st: END OF TERM



#### Inset Days 2021/22

~~Wednesday 1st September 2021~~

~~Monday 1st November 2021~~

**Monday 21st February 2022**

Tuesday 19th April 2022

Friday 27th May 2022