



Newsletter



'Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much' - Helen Keller

Latest News



Christmas Carol Concerts

What a week of performances! There were six concerts in all and every one of the children performed to their maximum! Singers, musicians, readers and even our resident dancing snowman did so, so well! Thank you to all the parents for attending and supporting the children. I am sure you will also join me in thanking our wonderful staff for putting the shows together led by Miss Stuckey and Mrs Johnson.

GJS Christmas Choir Performance

On Saturday 10th December, GJS choir took part in the Godalming Town Carol Concert in St Peter & Paul's Church. The children sang amazingly with such passion and enthusiasm. We have been told that GJS were the highlight of the concert for many people! Well done to all those who were involved - you worked extremely hard and represented the school brilliantly.

Walking Home

Just a reminder, that as it is getting darker earlier, we do encourage those that walk home to do so in groups and avoid walking home alone wherever possible.

David Walliams Book Signing

Thank you to Mrs Crook who organised a group of children, that were chosen at random, to attend the David Walliams book signing last night at Sainsbury's. Mrs Crook also 'cheekily' invited him to our Christmas Concert but sadly he was too busy to attend!

Clubs

Just a reminder that all clubs have now finished and you will be receiving information regarding the clubs we will be running **next term** during the first week back. Once again, for those interested in joining a club run by an external provider, please ask the office for the contact details and further information. If there is any parent who is interested in running a club and has the time, we would love to hear from you!

Infant/Junior School Applications

Just a reminder for any parents with pre-school or infant school children that the closing date for Reception and Junior school applications for September 2017 entry is **15th January 2017**.

Values Champions

This week we announced the first recipients of our Values Champions. These are members of the school that have been identified as having fully embraced our values. They can be found in the School Achievement section of the newsletter this week as well as our Values Champions Book in the school entrance hall. Congratulations to our first winners!

Value—Trust

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

End of Term—Finish Time

We would also like to remind you that we break up for Christmas on Wednesday 21st at 1.15pm.

In Memory

A page has been set up in the memory of Lorna Maher with all donations going to the Phyllis Tuckwell charity. If you wish to contribute please use the following link <http://lorna.maher.muchloved.com>



House Points Announced Monday

Saturn

Mars

Neptune

Jupiter



PTA News

Well it's been a busy term for the PTA and we would just like to say a massive thank you to all the Godalming Junior families for supporting all of the events. Last week our Christmas Fair was our final event of the year and you didn't disappoint. Not only have you donated jam jars, soft toys, bottles and hamper items, you very kindly all came to buy it all back. On a serious note though the monies raised by the PTA all goes back to our school enabling all the children to benefit which is fantastic and what our PTA is all about. We wish all our families and supporters of our PTA a fantastic Christmas break. We look forward to you joining us at our next year's events to raise even more funds for our fantastic school.

Kas Girdler—Chair

School Achievement

Attendance Winnners: 5AC



Values Champions:

3NJ — Holly Williams

3AJ — Mya Sleeman

4SD — Joseph James

4TT — Max Fenner

5RP — Isaac Adam

5AC — Charlotte Martin

6JS — Henry Cox

6JP — Alice Allfree



Sports News

Inter House Football Tournament—The GJS Premier League—Week 10

There were 4 more nail-biting games played today with some outstanding individual performances.

Jupiter Rangers and Neptune Alexandra both played their part in a thrilling 1-1 draw whilst Mars Park ran out 2-0 winners over local rivals Mars County. Saturn Athletic kept up their impressive run with a 1-0 win over Jupiter Rovers with a very well crafted goal tucked away by Harry Batterson proving to be the difference. The game of the day was left to the end with Real Jupiter running out 1-0 winners over Mars United and though Rory Leggett scored in his second game running, the hero of the day was Oliver Taylor who pulled off some magnificent saves for Real to ensure they went back to Jupiter with all 3 points!

Inter House Football Tournament—Standings Wk10

Saturn Athletic	17pts
Mars Park	14pts
Jupiter Rovers	14pts
Mars United	13pts
Jupiter Rangers	13pts
Real Jupiter	13pts
Neptune Town	11pts
Mars County	11pts
Neptune Alexandra	11pts
Neptune City	10pts
Dynamo Neptune	10pts
Saturn Wanderers	10pts
AC Saturn	8pts
Mars Albion	7pts

Diary Dates

Autumn 2016

December:

21st: Last Day of Term 1.15pm finish.



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