

Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

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

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## **House Points**

Mars

Neptune

Saturn

Jupiter



Secrets of a Sun King By Emma Carroll

#### Welcome Back

I hope you all had a fantastic summer and were able to relax, get away and generally spend quality time with loved ones. I would like to welcome the year 3 children and parents to the school. The children have settled in so well to their new surroundings, look fantastic in their new uniforms and are ready to learn. I am sure they will all do themselves proud. They are also being well looked after by their year 6 buddies. Here's to another fantastic year ahead!

### Curriculum Evenings

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our Curriculum Evenings next week. This is a time to find out more about the coming year for your child's class. This will include information about routines, expectations, trips and themes the children will experience in their different year groups. There will also be an opportunity to speak to your child's teacher. The days and times for the meetings can be found on the reverse of the newsletter in the dates section and on the website calendar. Please note the Year 5 and 6 times.

### Healthy Schools-GOLD Award

We are excited to share with you that at the end of last term we were awarded the Healthy School's Gold Award for our continued work and drive to ensure the provision for our children's mental health and wellbeing is a top priority. We are ALL very proud of this achievement and truly believe the level of pastoral care the children receive here from all adults in the school is excellent. Our certificate is on display in the office area.

### Clubs

As you know, due to the building work which will be taking place this term, there will be no teacher led clubs. Next term staff will be running a wide range of clubs for the children. There will be however, a 'drop-in' homework club on Wednesday lunchtimes in our Art Studio. This club is open to anyone in the school if they require a quiet focussed space to complete any unfinished homework and is optional. School Uniform

Just a reminder that the children should be in their autumn/winter uniform as outlined in the School Uniform Policy and we do encourage the children to have their PE kits in all week and if possible to avoid wearing kits home as it is often forgotten when required again.

#### School Shop

This year Mrs Munz, the School Bursar, will continue to run the School Shop selling stationery products that are on the children's kit list. A price list of the products is attached.

# School Value

Continuing with our focus on core values which were introduced two years ago, we will be concentrating on the value of **PERSEVERANCE** this term. The children will have weekly assemblies encouraging them to reflect on what this value 'looks like'. They will learn about how we all need perseverance in order to be successful, how we can be resilient learners as well as learning about prominent people that showed resilience in the face of adversity. 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. If there is anyone you feel we should be learning about who was or is a model for resilience then please let us know! 10richment

Last year we trialed running a series of themed weeks in order to give the children enrichment opportunities to express their talents in a wide range of activities. These weeks were hugely successful and the children had a wonderful time taking part in the creative events the staff provided. This year we will be running 10 more enrichment weeks as part of our '10richment' program. The first of these themed weeks will be our first Healthy Week of the year beginning Monday 24th September. During this week the children will learn about the importance of physical fitness and will take part in a number of different tasks linked to areas of the curriculum. Please make sure the children have their PE kits in school this week as it is sure to be an active week!

#### School Lunches

The cost of a school meal is £2.30. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please contact the school office. Please ensure all school meals are paid for in advance. Many thanks.



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# PTA News

Welcome back to everyone from the school PTA. We hope you all had a wonderful summer and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at next week's Welcome BBQ where we will be offering A FREE DRINK on arrival. This will be taking place on Friday 14th between 6.00pm and 8.00pm. This is a great opportunity to meet up again after the summer holidays and also welcome our new families into the Godalming Junior School community. Flyers should have come home today!



# **School Achievement**

## Pupil of the Week:

These will be announced next week.



### **INDEPENDENCE** – Values Champions:

- 3NJ Sam Gardiner
- 3AJ Riley Dickson-Raines
- 4SD Amelie Weaver
- 4EM Zoe Martin
- 5RP Mia Warrington
- 5AC James Marchbanks
- 6RH Amir Almazi
- 6JP Anna Bradburne



# **Sports News**

### **Bleep Test**

As part of our Healthy Week later this month, the children will once again attempt to show their stamina and PERSEVERANCE in the running test! This will take place on **Friday 28th September**. More information to follow.

# **Diary Dates**

#### **Autumn 2018** September: 12th: Year 3 Curriculum Evening @ 6.00pm 12th: Year 4 Curriculum Evening @ 7.00pm Year 6 Curriculum Evening @ 6.00pm 13th: 13th: Year 5 Curriculum Evening @ 7.00pm 14th: PTA Welcome BBQ @ 6.00pm 17th-21st: Year 6 trip to UKSA 20th: PTA AGM 24th-28th: Healthy Week October: Inset Days 2018/19 Tuesday 4th September 2018 8th-12th: Hero Week Wednesday 5th September 2018 15th-19th: Poetry Week Monday 29th October 22nd-16th: HALF TERM Monday 25th February **INSET DAY** 29th: **Tuesday 23rd April**