



Spring 8
3rd March 2023



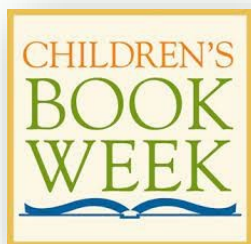
Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

This year we are supporting  Guide Dogs

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?" - Dr Martin Luther King Jr

Latest News



10R—Book Week

"Reading is the gateway skill that makes all other learning possible" (Barack Obama).

This week at GJS, we have thoroughly enjoyed talking about books and sharing our favourites with each other. With a decline in reading for pleasure, we view this particular 10Richment week as vital in the lives of all of our young people! Classes completed reading audits, explored their class bookshelves, made wish lists for books and took part in some of the World Book Day online lessons. All the staff were impressed with the thoughtfulness and time-taken on many of the costumes on Friday - keep an eye out for missing jewellery; there were lots of Gangsta Grannies about! Make sure your child spends their £1 reading token before 26th March in any book seller.

House Points

Saturn	1730
Jupiter	1623
Mars	1569
Jupiter	1301



School Value in Focus: COMMUNITY

This term the children are studying the value of **COMMUNITY** as part of our assembly programme, circle time themes and PSHE curriculum. As usual, we would always appreciate parents discussing this value further at home to reinforce our work and maybe consider the different COMMUNITIES they are part, including our GLOBAL COMMUNITY. Discussions could also be had around THEIR contributing in improving their local community. We have already enjoyed finding out and celebrating the efforts made recently by some families in fund raising for other COMMUNITIES around the world not as fortunate or have experienced a recent trauma and it would be great to hear more about the efforts at home to push this value further.

Communication about End of Day Child Pick-Up Arrangements

Should there be any changes to your child's pick up arrangements during the day, please email the school office at info@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk or phone 01483 421597 by 2.30pm where possible. Should your child not be attending their after school club please inform the external provider or school office as necessary.

Surrey Athletics Sportshall Gold Medalist

We are very proud of Jasmine in Y6 who was selected to compete in the Surrey U11 Athletics Team last weekend and won the gold medal at the regional final!



Broadwater Regeneration

Waverley Borough Council is doing a public engagement in February regarding Broadwater Golf Course Regeneration. [Broadwater Park Development \(waverley.gov.uk\)](http://BroadwaterParkDevelopment.waverley.gov.uk) This is the first step in a long term project to return it to an enhanced, usable, recreational community green space. During the engagement residents, local clubs and businesses will have the opportunity to share their ideas as to how the space should be reconfigured and what activities should take place there. They would like to encourage parents to help and complete their survey with or on behalf of your children. Please see the attached flyer for more details. Questions regarding the project can be directed to Debbie Smith, project manager, project.feedback@waverley.gov.uk

Road Works on Meadrow

Please note forthcoming safety improvement works are due to commence from Mon 20th February incorporating Meadrow, Catteshall Road and Kings Road. Temporary traffic lights will be in place for 4 weeks so please allow additional time travelling to and from school. Please see attached leaflet for further details.

GJS Staff 'Reads of the Year'



SAFEGUARDING
Our Designated Safeguard Lead is:
Mr Samson—HT

Our Deputy Designated Safeguard Leads are:
Mrs Wilkinson—SENCo
Mrs Munz—Bursar
Mrs Kirby—HSLW
Mr MacIver— Deputy HT

PTA News

Quiz Night – Friday 24th March from 7.30pm.

We are delighted to confirm that the annual GJS quiz night is taking place on Friday 24th March. After last year's controversy of the staff team winning by 1 point, it's time to exercise those brain cells. So get your team together or simply confirm you would like to attend and we can help create a team on the night.

We have a paying bar and food planned for each table. See attached flyer for ticket info.

Look forward to seeing you there!



School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM— Evander
3EC— Lily
4JL— Maggie
4GS— Asher
5SD— Isaac
5NM— Eddie
6EM— Lilah
6RH— Oliver



Attendance Winners: 5SD— 98.5%



Autumn Anti Bullying Stars Champions: 5NM

HONESTY Values Champions

3CM— Arthur
3EC— Leo
4JL— Amelie
4GS— Steren
5SD— Florence
5NM— Oliver
6EM— Lorelei
6RH— Sophie



Sports News



Tillingbourne Y6 Football Tournament—Tuesday 28th February

Well done to our wonderful footballers who represented the school superbly this week in icy conditions. Aply led by Seb 'Keano' Burgess, the team topped their group without conceding a goal only to go out of the competition at the semi final stage in a close contest to Tillingbourne 2-0. ALL players were great ambassadors again, gave their all and were a delight to be with.

Year 5 and 6 Sports Hall Athletics @ Rodborough—Wednesday 1st March

The Year 5 and 6 Athletics team performed brilliantly at the Waverley Sportshall Athletics Tournament at Rodborough School on Wednesday. Full of speed, strength and bounce, the team of won many of their races and competed with enthusiasm and energy. They beat 3 other schools but were just pipped at the post by one other school on the day. Congratulations to all of them in participating so valiantly!



Diary Dates

Spring 2023

March

10th: Y6 WW2 Roadshow & Cooking
11th: Swimming Gala at Charterhouse Club—1.30pm
13th—17th: 10R Science Week
14th: Y5 River Walk in Godalming
20th—24th: 10R Earth Week
21st: Parents Evening 5.30—8.00pm
23rd: Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm
31st: END OF TERM @ 1.15pm



Inset Days 2022/23

~~Thursday 1st September 2022~~

~~Monday 31st October 2022~~

~~Friday 10th February 2023~~

Monday 17th April 2023

Friday 26th May 2023