



# Newsletter



*"It takes nothing to join the crowd. It takes everything to stand alone" - Hans F Hanson.*

## Latest News



### Mad Hatter's Tea Party

We would like to invite everybody who has volunteered or donated their time to help at GJS over the last year to a Mad Hatter's Tea Party to say a big thank-you. The tea party will be held on Thursday 19th July at 2pm. Please let the office know if you are able to attend.



### International Week

The children have enjoyed their week exploring North and South America. Every class was turned into a country from the Americas each with a hands-on activity for the children to try out and to help them learn about the different people and cultures that exist there. The whole school came together and visited each of these countries in turn. Some of the activities included making pinwheels in Mexico, rocket launching in USA, Bustamante artwork in Peru, volleyball in Brazil and salsa dancing in Cuba!

### House Points

Neptune	960
Saturn	637
Mars	577
Jupiter	535



### School Lunch Accounts

Please ensure all lunch accounts are cleared by the end of the school term.

### Skate Waverley

Skate Waverley offers the opportunity for young people aged 7-16 years to take part in free workshops, practice, pro-rider demonstration and competition on 10th August at Aarons Hill, Godalming. To find out more and register visit [www.waverley.gov.uk/skate](http://www.waverley.gov.uk/skate)

### Roots for the Future

Roots for the Future are holding a set of summer clubs for 7-11 year olds. These two day workshops will combine fun and learning about the natural world, and just as important, parents and carers can have a couple of days child-free over the long summer holiday! Held on the 26th-27th and 30th-31st August at 9.15 to 3.15 at Broadwater Park Community Centre in Farncombe. For more info and to book a place go to <http://rootsforthefuture.co.uk/roots-future-summer-club>.

### Waterstones Book of the Month



The Storm Keepers Island  
By  
Catherine Doyle

### Guildford Hockey Club Summer Camp

Guildford Hockey Club are running Junior Summer Skills Camps on the 6th, 7th and 8th August, with training provided by double-Olympian Dan Fox and other top coaches. To find out more visit [www.guildfordhc.com](http://www.guildfordhc.com).

### Parent View

As it has been over a year since Ofsted visited the school the most recent comments and views on Parentview are now out of date and as a result there is insufficient data for this academic year to be viewed. Therefore we would like parents to visit the Parent View website to comment on the school. We simply ask that you spend just a couple of minutes visiting the site when you have a moment via the address below.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

## PTA News

What another fantastic summer fair at Godalming Junior last Friday, the sun was shining and it was lovely to see so many of our families coming out and supporting our school. A huge thank you goes to all the helpers before, during and after the event - without you our events couldn't happen. To all those who spent their pennies, thank you also. We raised £1,700—this is a fantastic amount which will benefit all the children at GJS.

Well, that's the end of another year of fund-raising from the PTA. We hope you have enjoyed all our events and thank-you for your support.



## School Achievement

Attendance Winners: 6RH—98.7%



***Congratulations to this half terms...  
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

### District Sports

Last Friday, Miss Pulleyn, Mr Poole and Mr Samson took 48 children to our Waverley District Sports competition which was held at Charterhouse. In 30 degree heat, children participated in events from long jump to relay and 600m to 80m sprints. We came 3rd in the boys' competition, and 3rd overall, but Godalming Junior were declared winners of the girls' competition! A huge thanks to Bill Bingham from Waverley Harriers and Claire Marks who generously dedicated their time to training our squad on Wednesday afternoons- all of the practice really paid off! A massive congratulations to all involved for such a fantastic day.

### Year 6 Sports Challenge

On Tuesday and Thursday this week the Year 6 children were challenged by the staff to a game of netball and football. Both games were exciting to watch which drew in the crowds to near capacity at the GJS Arena. They were hard fought matches. The netball match saw the children win 6-4. They played well and thoroughly deserved their victory. Once some of the staff became accustomed to the rules the passing picked up but it was too little too late. Well done Year 6. In the football match there was not a lot between the two sides. The Year 6s were on top for most of the game with crisp passing but could not find the back of the net. It took heroics from the staff goalkeeper, Miss Holcombe, to make sure the staff kept a clean sheet. The match ended 1-0 to the staff with the decisive goal from Mr Poole - not too dissimilar a finish as Lingard's strike against Panama, he thinks!

## Diary Dates

### Summer 2018

July  
16th—17th: Year 6 Production 'Hoodwinked' at 7pm.  
20th: **END OF TERM @ 1.15PM**

### Autumn 2018

September  
4th: INSET DAY  
5th: INSET DAY  
6th: **Start of Autumn Term**  
22nd-26th: Half-term  
29th: INSET DAY

### Inset Days 2017/18

**23rd July 2018**

### Inset Days 2018/19

4th and 5th Sep 18  
29th Oct 18  
25th Feb 19  
23rd Apr 19

Please be aware that penalty notices can be issued for unauthorised leave of absence for five days or more. Penalty Notices are issued per parent per child and the amount due is £60 if paid within 21 days, rising to £120 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the Penalty Notice remains unpaid after 28 days the Local Authority must consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court.