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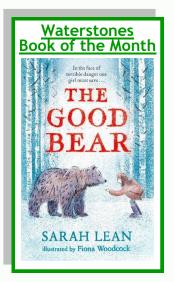
"The weak can never forgive, forgiveness is the attribute of the strong" - Mahatma Gandhi

Latest News

GJS 401 Challenge Stage 2 Target: 2,048m Year 3 **524** Year 4 1000 Year 5 1156 Year 6 1383 40







<u>Ofsted Readiness</u> You may be aware that Ofsted visits are in full swing since COVID brought about a pause in inspections. GJS is due to be inspected imminently and one of the sources of evidence they use to determine judgements are the outcomes of ParentView. Therefore we ask you visit ParentView and log your views of the school <u>here</u>.

10R-Human Rights Week

Our next 10richment week takes place in 2 weeks time and we will be focusing much of our work during this week around 'Rights Respecting' activities. This will also provide valuable evidence for our 'Silver Award' bid which takes place in February 2022.

Ben Smith and his 401 USA Challenge
We still would like the children to log their miles this half term in support of Ben and his 401 USA Challenge. Most year groups achieved the Stage 1 target of 1,000 miles and now stage 2 requires year groups to make it to over 2,000! 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

It's not too late to book onto our next session taking place on **Monday 6th December**. As we have noticed that many parents have to drop younger children at infant school, we will be putting the start time back to 9.15am to ensure everyone is able to make it. The next session will be 'how to help you child with reading' and this will be led by our English Lead Miss Emily Martin. Mr Samson will also attend and if you are interested in attending then please contact the office!

COVID Update
With the number of local cases continuing to rise we must continue to be vigilant. Current guidance can be found here. If your child is showing any COVID symptoms they should self-isolate straight away and take a PCR test as soon as possible. Tests can be booked via https://example.com/here. Following a negative PCR test result they can return to school.

<u>Christmas Lunch</u> - <u>Wednesday 15th December</u> On Wednesday 15th December all children will be able to enjoy a traditional Christmas lunch. If your child would like to have a cooked Christmas lunch then please complete this form no later than Wednesday 1st December. We do have to keep to this deadline for catering purposes and cannot accept any meals after this date. The cost of the meal is £2.45 and payment should be made in advance via Parentmail (PMX). If your child already has a school lunch please could you still submit this form with their meal choice.

Christmas Carol Assemblies—Start Time Change
We hope to showcase our year group carol assemblies to parents later this term. We have amended the start time to 9.15am each morning to allow parents dropping siblings at other schools time to arrive. Each year group will focus on the themeof Forgiveness. We are asking that parents were focus oversigns corner out lateral flow tests before stronging (chainsals and that parents wear face coverings, carry out lateral flow tests before attending (obviously not attending if there is a positive result) arriving through the Year 3 corridor. Each child will be limited to only 2 adults attending. Please contact the school office if you would like a space. The assemblies will be about 30 minutes long.

Would those parents who still have data collection and contract documents to return, please do so as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Anti Bullying Survey
Please find the outcomes of our Anti Bullying survey here on the school website. This is a new section and we will be adding to it over the coming weeks with more plans and ideas to try and ensure bullying is not welcome at GJS!



PTA News

The Godalming Junior School Outdoor Christmas Fair is now only one week away. We look forward to seeing you on 3rd December - 4.00pm to 7.00pm. Thank you for such a wonderful mufti day donations over the last three weeks - it is hugely appreciated.

Please remember that at this year's Christmas fair, the bar and food stall will be cash only and all other stalls will run using tokens (eco-friendly and reusable) rather than cash for all stalls with the exception of food stalls and the bar. The value of each token is 50p and the stalls will cost either 50p or £1, so either 1 token or 2. The tokens can be purchased on the night from a dedicated stall, but to avoid possible long queues, they can be pre bought either by making a bank transfer to the Godalming Junior School PTA account or we will be selling them in the playground after school on the week of the fair.

Look out for more pre-payment information on Parentmail.

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM -3EC -4EM -Maggie Amara Finlay 4GS -Ben 5SD -Freddie

Charlie 6JP -Izzy V 6RH -Nathan





Attendance Winners: 3CM & 6JP - 98.7%

RESILIENCE Values Champions

3CM - Daniel

3EC - Alexander 4EM - Toby 4GS - Freya

5SD - Jasmine

5CJ - Sydney

6JP - Jámes 6RH - Emma



Sports News

Our Y6 Netball team played brilliantly in their very first tournament this week to reach the semi-finals. We are very proud of Bonnie, Joshua, Keeley, Sienna, Charlotte, Tessa, Heidi, James and Grace.



Diary Dates

Autumn 2021

November Y4 & 6 Benchball Tournament at Broadwater School 30th:

December Y5 Victorian Exhibition—5SD 1st: Y5 Victorian Exhibition—5CJ 2nd:

PTA Christmas Fair 3rd:

6th: GJS Morning Surgery—9.00am—Reading at Home

Y6 'Born Free' Evening—6JP Y6 'Born Free' Evening—6RH 7th: 9th: 10R-Human Rights Week 6th-10th:

Human Rights Day RE Day 10th:

13th:

13th: Yr5 Cárol Assembly @ 9.15am Yr3 Carol Assembly @ 9.15am 14th: Yr6 Carol Assembly @ 9.15am 15th: 15th: Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Lunch 15th:

16th: Yr4 Carol Assembly @ 9.15am

17th: House Mufti

END OF TERM @ 1.15pm 17th:



Inset Days 2021/22 ednesday 1st September Monday 1st November 2021 Monday 21st February 20: Tuesday 19th April 2022 Friday 27th May 2022