

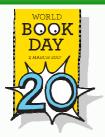
Godalming Junior School

# Newsletter

'Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none' - William Shakespeare

## Latest News

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#### Ofsted Report Letter

Yesterday you should have received via Parentmail or as a hard copy our latest Ofsted letter. As you know Gary Holden, Her Majesty's Inspector, visited the school on the 24th January and as the school was judged to be 'Good' at the last inspection in December 2012, this visit was for just a day. The whole school community should be very proud of the outcome and the level of stability that the school has enjoyed during the last two years to get the school to where it is now. Though the outcome was very positive, the passion to improve continues to burn and on Friday the staff will be meeting during the Inset Day to discuss how we can continue our drive to be outstanding. Thank you again to everyone who continues to support this wonderful, caring and happy school and acknowledge that though there are areas where we can improve there is also a huge amount to cherish and be proud of. I would like to wish the whole school community a happy and restful half term!

#### Godalming United Church Pantomime

Well done to the 4 Year 5 girls who performed last weekend in 'Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves'. Great to see so much talent in the school also performing in the local community. Well done Poppy, Yasmin, Gracie and Charlotte in their roles as Tetley, Twinings, Lypton and Typhoo, they were tea-mendous!

#### Parent-Teacher Consultations 28th February and 1st March

Sign-up sheets are still available in reception for the Parent-Teacher Consultations which take place **28th February 3.30pm-6.10pm and 1st March 6.00pm to 8.40pm**. Mrs Trinder will also be available to speak to on the Tuesday evening. Please note that there will be no teacher-run clubs for that week.

#### World Book Day- 2nd March

World Book Day is taking place on Thursday, 2nd March and we are excited to announce that our school theme this year is 'Page to Pixels'. We invite children to dress-up as a character from a book which has been adapted for TV or Film. We look forward to seeing your amazing ideas!

#### Healthy Food

You can now find on the school website in the Parent Information section links to the Change4Life website that offers advice on healthy snack ideas, healthy lunchboxes, healthy recipes and further information on sugars within foods. We also ask that you view the school's Food Policy, which can also be found on the website. We are a nut free school and as a general rule we do insist that no crisps or chocolate bars are brought in as snacks. We trust parents to ensure that snacks that are brought in to school are as healthy as possible.

### Value–Trust

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

#### Project: Peace Garden

All Project Peace Garden ideas have come in and we will be notifying the children and parents what our plans will be after half term.

#### School Lunches

We would like to remind you that it is Surrey County Council policy that school meals should be paid for in advance. Please remember to top up your account on Parentmail regularly. Godalming Gazette—Issue 2

The second issue of the school newspaper, run by our Year 6 journalists, is now available via the school website at: http://www.godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk/website/news/5081

## **PTA News**

Godalming Junior's Third Movie Night is on tonight! The cost is £2.50 per adult and £2.50 per child which includes drinks for the children. Hotdogs, popcorn and ice-cream will be on sale for all with a bar for the grown-ups.

Dates for the Diary:

PTA Family Movie Night	Thurs 9th Feb
PTA Quiz Night	Friday 28th April
PTA Disco	Thurs 25th May
PTA Summer Fair	Friday 7th July

Attendance Winners: 5RP

## School Achievement

Pupil of the Week: **3NJ**—Grace Richards **3AJ–Ava Fooks 4SD–James Marchbanks** 4TT–Jack Allfree **5RP-Rose Barnett 5AC–James Beardall** 6JS—Gabriel Drago 6JP-Josh Taylor



## **Sports News**

#### Inter House Football Tournament-The GJS Premier League-Week 16

Due to the school being closed on Friday we ran our week 16 fixtures yesterday. The afternoon began with a Neptune derby as City and Alexandra faced off in chilly conditions with City edging out their rivals 1-0. Then there was a Mars derby to savour with Park beating their local red rivals Albion 1-0. Saturn Athletic continued their impressive run in the tournament with a confident display with Matt Moraghan being the difference between the sides as they ran out 1-0 winners over Real Jupiter. The final game of the day saw a marvellous, marauding Mars United overcome a determined, dogged Dynamo Neptune 1-0. We now look forward to the Week 17 AND Week 18 fixtures which will be played during our first week back after half term.

#### Please make sure ALL children have their kit if they are due to play.

#### Athletics Sports Festival–7th February

On Tuesday 7th February, Miss Pulleyn took nine children to Broadwater School to take part in their Gifted and Talented Sports Festival. The children had a go at Handball, Hockey, Badminton and Trampolining. It was a brilliant morning and great to see the children experiencing new sports!

## **Diary Dates**

	Spring 2017	
February:		
10th:	Confederation of Schools Inset Day	
13th-17th:	HALF TERM	
28th:	Year 5 Planetarium Visit	
28th:	Parent-Teacher Meetings 3.30-6.00pm	
March:		
1st :	Parent-Teacher Meetings 5.30-8.20pm	
2nd:	World Book Day	
6th:	Year 6 World War II Roadshow	
20th:	Shakespeare Week	
31st:	End of Term 1.15 finish	



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