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Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

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

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Happy Birthday Godalming Junior School

Last weekend saw the 204th birthday of Godalming Junior School. According to the history books an initial meeting at the Kings Arms Hotel was held to 'consider the best means of promoting the education of children of the labouring classes in the parish of Godalming' and on the 18th February 1813 the school opened for the first time with 80 boys and Mr Henry J Tickner at the helm!

Parent-Teacher Consultations 28th February and 1st March

We are looking forward to seeing you next week to inform you of how your child/children are getting on. We do ask that all children that come along wait in the hall and not to go outside in the playground. Please note that all teacher-led clubs are cancelled next week. For externally-run clubs please contact the provider directly.

World Book Day- 2nd March

World Book Day is taking place next Thursday 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!

Orienteering in Year 6

Year 6 had the opportunity to test out their orienteering skills over at the Canon Bowring Rec. this week. The children had to navigate and orienteer themselves around a course set out by *Guildford Orienteers*. Complete with dibbers, electronic readings and print outs of timings, the children learnt skills in map reading and teamwork.

Healthy Food

A reminder that 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.

<u>Value–Trust</u>

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.

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 _page/265234

Chernobyl Children's Lifeline—Godalming Branch

Sam Waddington (Thomas's mum in Year 4) is looking for any families who would be interested in getting involved in this charity, principally as host families for children visiting the UK from Beloruss. The charity supports children who have been affected by radiation poisoning following the Chernobyl disaster in 1986. Further details can be found at http:// www.ccll.org.uk/ho/ or to discuss it further contact Sam at samlbendall@aol.com. Newsletter

PTA News

The P.T.A are meeting next Friday, 3rd March at 2pm. All are welcome so come along and find out how you can get involved.

Dates for the Diary:

PTA Race Night Friday 28th April PTA Disco Thurs 25th May

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week: 3NJ– Josh Armstrong 3AJ– Savannah Aitken 4SD– Siddhi Patil 4TT– Edward Hodgson 5RP– Eva Pomphrey 5AC– Liam Bull 6JS– Harry Capel 6JP– Ava Rose



Attendance Winners: 3AJ

Sports News

Inter House Football Tournament—The GJS Premier League—Week 17 and 18

This week once again saw two sets of fixtures played out as we began our countdown to the final few games of what has been a scintillating tournament! On Wednesday Jupiter Rovers ran out 2-0 winners over AC Saturn whilst Mars County were left 'red' faced by Neptune Town, going down 1-0. Neptune City then saw off Jupiter Rangers 2-0 before Mars Albion and Saturn Wanderers played out a scoreless draw in the final game of the day. Friday saw an emphatic Neptune Alexandra win 3-0 against Real Jupiter whilst Saturn Athletic continued their 'Chelsea-esque' pursuit of the league title with a solid 2-0 win over Mars Park. Dynamo Neptune were narrow 1-0 winners with 'Capel Senior' scoring the goal which separated the sides and finally it was 'Capel Junior' on hand to score the winner for Neptune Town as they ran out 1-0 winners over Mars United in the final game of the week.

Next week we will be repeating the days in which the fixtures will be played with Week 19 being played on Wednesday and Week 20 being played on Friday.

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



Diary Dates

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February: 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 Dav 6th: Year 6 World War II Roadshow 20th: Shakespeare Week 31st: End of Term 1.15 finish



Inset Days 2016/17 18th April 2017