



# Newsletter



*'Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much' - Helen Keller*

## Latest News



### Year 6 Born Free Presentation

Last Monday, the children in Year 6 showcased their POW (Protect Our Wildlife) work to the rest of the school and their parents. The children demonstrated their powers of persuasion to create letters, posters, reports, Powerpoint presentations and speeches to help raise awareness of how to protect our planet's wildlife. The children also raised £689 for the Born Free charity through selling official merchandise. Thank-you to all who supported us. (Any items that were ordered will be delivered next week).

### GJS Christmas Choir Performance

GJS Christmas Choir performed a variety of Christmas songs and poems at Godalming Baptist Church's Friendship Lunch on Thursday 8th December. The children sung and spoke beautifully. The church event organizers were extremely impressed with the quality of the performances and the behaviour of the thirty two children who attended. After our performance, we joined in with some more carols, met Santa and chatted to the audience. It was wonderful to see the children enjoying themselves so much while singing and socialising. What fantastic ambassadors for the school. Well done!



### Christmas Carol Concert—Tickets

Tickets will be distributed **Monday 12th December** so please check your child's book bag on that day.

### Year 5 Victorian Trip

On Tuesday, 6th December Year 5 travelled to Brighton to visit Preston Manor where they experienced what life would have been like for a working Victorian servant, among other roles. They scrubbed shoes, set the tables and dusted! They also visited Hove Museum where they investigated Victorian household items. A fantastic time was had by all and they were a real credit to Godalming Junior School.



### Clubs

Please note that teacher run clubs for this term finish today, **Friday 9th December**. Clubs run by external providers will continue to take place and you should check with the club provider for more details.

### Infant/Junior School Applications

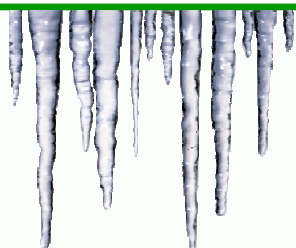
Just a reminder for any parents with pre-school or infant school children that the closing date for Reception and Junior school applications for September 2017 entry is **15th January 2017**.

### Parent-Teacher meetings

Can we remind parents that appointments to see class teachers should be made with the school office and not to pop in to the classrooms before school as this is when teachers are preparing for the day ahead.

### House Points

Saturn	356
Mars	265
Neptune	223
Jupiter	186



## PTA News

We look forward to welcoming you to the Christmas Fair this evening **Friday, 9th December 6pm-8pm**. Come and visit Santa in his grotto, enjoy festive mulled wine, mince pies and hot dogs. There will be seasonal games and crafts, a Christmas hamper raffle and much more more!



## School Achievement

### Pupil of the Week:

3NJ— Jose Herrero  
3AJ— Clark Wareing  
4SD— Jacob Leggett  
4TT— Reuben Cox  
5RP— William Adaway  
5AC— Lexie Wood  
6JS— Harry Eames  
6JP— Filippas Samaras



Attendance Winners: 4TT

## Sports News

### Inter House Football Tournament—The GJS Premier League—Week 9

Another thrilling round of games were played today in the winter sunshine! Jupiter Rovers ran out 2-0 winners over Mars Albion in the opening fixture. This was followed by a tight affair between Mars United and Neptune City which finished 1-1. A stunning strike from Bertie Barnes, worthy of winning any game, was the difference between Neptune Town and AC Saturn as the Neptune outfit came out on top 1-0. In the final game of the day nothing could separate Saturn Wanderers and Dynamo Neptune as it finished 0-0. Next week will be the last round of games before the winter break when we will also be sharing the standings at the half way stage of the competition.

### Godalming Junior School v Busbridge Junior School—Football Match

On Friday 2nd December Godalming Junior School's Football Team played Busbridge Junior School in the tightly fought local derby. It was an exciting game with the score ending 2-2. We took the lead through a spectacular kick from our Goal Keeper, Joe Williams, from his own penalty box. The ball looped over their Goal Keeper and into the net! As the game progressed Busbridge scored two goals and were on course for victory. However, Filippas Samaras had the final word: a clinical finish after a fine GJS move!

**GJS Squad:** Matt Morghan (Cap), Gabriel Drago, Joe Williams, Sam Wilson, Will Ab Iorworth, Henry Cox, Josh Taylor, Ali Egan, Harry Gardiner and Filippas Samaras.

## Diary Dates

### Autumn 2016

#### December:

9th: Christmas Fair 6pm-8pm  
14th—15th: Christmas Concerts  
16th: Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)  
21st: Last Day of Term 1.15pm finish.



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