# Newsletter

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

### Latest News



#### **Harvest Celebrations**

Thank you to everyone for their contributions to our harvest gatherings that will be taken to the Farncombe Day Centre by Mr Samson and members of the School Council. The children also enjoyed their harvest breakfast this week and thank you to Maggie Stirling who came in to talk to the children about harvest and why we celebrate this time of year.



#### **Secondary School Applications**

A reminder that the closing date for secondary school applications is **Monday 31st October 2016**. The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online. Visit <a href="www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions">www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions</a> to access the application form and more information on the application process and admission arrangements for Surrey schools.

#### Colder Weather

As the weather has started to become colder and less predictable, we do ask that the children have an appropriate outside coat for the colder months.



#### **Play Leaders**

Well done to the Year 5 Play Leaders who, along with Miss Pulleyn, received training on how to carry out their role when they visited Broadwater yesterday. Previous GJS pupils ran the sessions and the children came away inspired to get started and run play sessions during break and lunch times after half term!

## House Points

Mars	364
Jupiter	357
Saturn	351
Nentune	303



#### Dinner Money

If your child has school meals please ensure that your lunch account is in credit. Payment can be made by PMX (Parentmail) and by cash or cheque to the school office.

#### **Our Values**

Continuing with our focus on core values that were introduced last year, we will be concentrating on the value of **COMMUNITY** this term. The children will have weekly assemblies that encourage them to reflect on what this value 'looks like' and will learn about how we are all members of different communities. There will also be follow up sessions in class. We also ask that they are referred to and reinforced at home as well as school.

#### Inset Day – Monday 31st October

Don't forget Monday 31st October October is an INSET day. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 1st November. Happy half term to you all!





## PTA News

Thank you to everyone who came last night to the PTA Halloween Disco, particularly the helpers, there were some fantastic costumes on show and well done to the following children for their winning pumpkin design entries, Oscar Hughes (3NJ), Tilly Finch (4TT), Megan McLean (5RP) and Emily Robinson (6JS).

Dates for the diary: **Quiz Night** Friday, 18th November

**Town Day Afternoon Teas** Friday, 9th December. **PTA AGM** Thursday 3rd November

## **School Achievement**

Pupil of the Week:

3NJ— Matthew Chalmers 3AB— Grace Field-Hodgson 4SD— Freddie Goddings

4TT- Elena Lidstrom

5RP- Lilv-Brenda Lawrence

5AC- Ben Tapsfield 6JS— Rhianna Camp

6JP- Finn Stevens



Attendance Winners: 5AC

## **Sports News**

#### Inter House Football Tournament-The GJS Premier League-Week3

Week 3 of the inaugural football tournament was played today and what thrilling games they were. Mars Albion were held by a determined Saturn Athletic 1-1 whilst Neptune City played the counterattack to perfection to beat Mars Park 1-0 with very little possession. Neptune Town won the 'bragging rights' in the derby game against local rivals Neptune Alexandra 3-0 whilst AC Saturn also overcome neighbours Saturn Wanderers 2-0 in the final game. They now enjoy the 'national' break before resuming next half term!

#### Y6 Netball 'Versatility' Tournament @ Tillingbourne

Miss Pulleyn took nine Year 6's to Tillingbourne School to take part in the first tournament of the season. They showed great enthusiasm and determination against some tricky opponents. They all played excellently, considering they were playing out of position and were a real credit to the school. Roll on the next tournament!

## **Diary Dates**

#### Autumn 2016

October:

24th-28th: HALF TERM

31st: **INSET Day—Closed** 

November:

3rd: **NSPCC** Assembly

4th: Prospective Parent Tour-11.00am 9th: Y4 Cinema Trip to Odeon Guildford

10th: Y6 NSPCC Workshop

Prospective Parent Tour—9.00am 10th: Prospective Parent Tour-11.00am 14th:

28th: Wreath Making Evening

18th: PTA Quiz Night

Glebelands Cross Country Run 19th: 22nd: Parent / Teacher Meetings (Late) 23rd: Parent /Teacher Meetings (Early)



Inset Days 2016/17 31st October 2016 10th February 2017 18th April 2017