

Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

We are proudly Supporting



BritishRedCross

'If we really want to love, we must learn how to forgive' - Mother Teresa

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PERATION ENCOMPASS

House Points

<u>Jupiter</u> <u>1272</u>

1212 Mars

Saturn 1045

959 **Neptune**







Our Designated Safeguard Lead and **Operation Encompass Key Adult is:** Mr Samson—HT

Our Deputy Designated Safeguard Leads are: Mr MacIver- Deputy HT Mrs Wilkinson—SENCo Mrs Munz-Bursar Mrs Kirby-HSLW

'It's e<u>veryone's</u> business'

Parent -Teacher Meetings

It was great to see so many parents this week at school for our first parent/teacher meetings of the year. This was a really useful opportunity to find out how the children have started the new year and how we can 'spring' forward next term. If you feel you would like to follow up with anything that was discussed then feel free to contact your class teacher or the school office to arrange another meeting.

Operation Encompass

You should have received a letter regarding the multi agency partnerships in place across the country between local police forces and schools. If you would like any further information then please contact the school. A reminder that the GJS Operation Encompass key adult is our Headteacher, Mr Samson. Mrs Kirby our Home School Link Worker and Mr MacIver our Deputy Headteacher are our deputy key adults if Mr Samson is not available

Value—Autumn 2—FORGIVENESS

Continuing our focus on school values, this half term, in the lead up to Christmas, we continue focusing our attention on the value of *Forgiveness*. We are focussing on this value in our weekly whole school assemblies, our weekly 'circle times' and discussing it within the PSHE curriculum across the school. We will continue to encourage children to show their understanding of this value and offer strategies to help them be more understanding at times when showing *for-giveness* is more challenging, such as break and lunchtimes. Once again, the more our work can be reinforced at home, the better. Please find time for further 'home talks' about our values and share your experiences and perspectives, the importance of forgiveness and how difficult it can be at times.

Red Cr+ss Collection Box

As our adopted charity for the year, we now have a collection box in reception area for anyone who wishing to make a donation. We are supporting the Red Cross throughout the year starting with our Christmas Clothing Day on Friday 15th December. We are also seeking ideas for what events to run in the spring and summer terms. Our School Council will be meeting in the new year to decide on what these events should be. If you have any ideas then please pass them on to your child to notify their School Council reps!

Staff Vacancy—Clerk to the Governors

We are looking for a Clerk to the Governors to work at the school. This is a flexible role for four hours per week, term time only. You will be required to attend three Governor meetings per term. For more information please click here.

<u>GET Teaching Virtual Information Evening</u>

The Godalming Learning Partnership of schools are proud partners with Winchester University and have been training teachers for the last 6 years. Our blend of innovative, immersive school experience and training allied to academic study is used by Winchester as a model of best practice for their new partners.

We are running an online information evening on Thursday 07 December 7.00pm for anyone interested in finding out more about our unique and bespoke School-led PGCE teacher training programme which starts September 2024.

Register on Eventbrite for this online event using the QR code or link below:

GET Teaching with the GLP

For more info in the meantime, see our <code>GET</code> <code>T</code>eaching website and our lacksquareGET Teaching information evening flier which is attached to this newsletter.





PTA News

A huge thank you for all the bottle donations today for the Christmas Fair, which is taking place on Friday 8th December 4.30pm to 7.30pm!

Mufti days for fair donations are as follows:

Friday 24th November—Jolly Jam Jars Friday 2nd December—Xmas Hamper Donations:

Year 5 - white/silver Year 3 - red Year 4 - green Year 6 - gold

(more details on this in separate email)

As always we will need help setting up and running the stalls so please do get in contact with your Class Rep or a member of the PTA to get involved.



School Achievement

Pupil of the Week: 3AR — Florence 3EC — Jessica 4JA — Sam G 4RH — Theo 5SD — Maggie 5NM — Adam 6EM — Ophelia 6TA — Peter



Attendance Winners: 3AR - 98% **ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE** Member

RESILIENCE Values Champions

3AR — Dylan D 3EC — Lily-Rose

4JA — Leighton 4RH — Reuben 5SD — Archie

5NM — Alfie 6EM — Neera 6TA — Naomi



Summer Anti Bullying Stars Champions: 6TA

Sports News

<u>Cross Country Run @ Glebelands School</u> Good luck to all those taking part in the cross country event at Glebelands School in Cranleigh **tomorrow after**noon.

The year 3/4 event is approximately 1km with the Year 5/6 event approximately 1.5km. Children will need to wear their PE kits but it is suggested that, at this time of the year, they wear an underlay under their t-shirt and footwear that will be appropriate for uneven and possibly 'boggy' conditions.



Diary Dates

Autumn 2023

November 21st:

Y6 Science @ Charterhouse

21st: Y5 Swimming

Y6 Born Free Event 22nd:

28th: Y6 Science @ Charterhouse

Y5 Swimming 28th: 28th-1st: Y4 Bikeability

December

4th-8th: 10R-Human Rights Week Y6 Science @ Charterhouse Y5 Swimming 5th:

5th:

6th: Y5 Viking Workshop PTA Christmas Fair 8th: Y3 Carol Morning 11th: 12th: Y4 Carol Morning Y5 Swimming Y5 Carol Morning 12th: 13th: 14th: Y6 Carol Morning 14th: Christmas Lunch Term ends @ 1.15pm 15th:



Inset Days 2023/24 Friday 1st September 2023 Monday 30th October 2023 Friday 9th February 2024 Monday 15th April 2024 Friday 24th May 2024