



Newsletter

"Life is about our growth, not our trophies" - Bear Grylls

Latest News

GJS 401 Challenge

<u>Year 3</u>	72
<u>Year 4</u>	290
<u>Year 5</u>	249
<u>Year 6</u>	316



10R—Poetry Week

It was a week of poetry,
At our school, poet's we be!
Fun was had by everyone,
Poems about everything under the sun.
Reading, writing, performing them too,
And a poetry competition to do!
We are so pleased with what they wrote,
We hope it really floats your boat!
A special thank you also to Mrs Hull, one of our Y3 parents, who shared her expertise with the children to create Lantern Poetry.



Ben Smith and his 401 USA Challenge

Well done to all year groups, especially Year 6, who continue to build up miles during stage 1 of our 401 Challenge. We have had boxers, runners, walkers, cyclists, gymnasts and swimmers! We are also asking for pictures of the children taking part in the range of activities. These will then be displayed in the hall next half term, as our Values board becomes our 401 US Challenge board! It is not too late to start either and the link to the forms for each year group will now be found in the table by hovering over the year group € You can find out more about Ben's epic challenge [here](#). This Sunday is World Mental Health Day, what better opportunity to get outside and rack up the miles for 401!

School Value

Continuing with our focus on core values, we will be concentrating on the value of **RESILIENCE** this term. The children will have weekly assemblies encouraging them to reflect on what this value 'looks like'. They will learn about how we all need **RESILIENCE** in order to be successful, particularly when beginning a new school year! 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. If there is anyone you feel we should be learning about who was or is a role-model for resilience then please let your class teacher know!

10R—Healthy Week

Next week we will be holding our 2nd 10richment week of the year with Healthy Week. This is coinciding with World Mental Health Day on Sunday and throughout the week the children will be taking part in a number of 'healthy' activities focusing on both physical and mental health. Next Friday is when we will be holding OUR #HelloYellow Day to raise money for Young Minds mental health charity. The children are asked to wear something **yellow** and donate at least £1. Donations can be made direct to the Just Giving page [here](#)

School Photos - Tuesday 12th October 2021

We ask that all students come to school wearing winter uniform, including a tie and jumper. Individual photos will be taken, together with photos of children with siblings attending GJS. Year 6, who would normally arrive in their PE kit, should bring their kits with them ready to change into their PE session later in the day.

Anti Bullying Stars

We now have our Anti Bullying Stars in place across the school with some very impressive speeches being shared and willing children putting themselves forward to spread the message of anti bullying, be a part of call for children and be extra vigilant at break and lunchtimes. Our AB stars for the year are:

Year 3—Bobbie and Oscar
Year 4—Toby and Indigo

Year 5—Chloe and Riley
Year 6—Barney and Bonnie

GJS 'HeadSpace' Surgery

Thank you to all the parents who came to our inaugural 'surgery' session on Monday. It was great to see so many engage with the session and find out what we do at school to help children be more resilient and what can be done at home to help too. We were so grateful to Mrs Farrow for her time to share her expertise, knowledge and pull together the hand out, which is attached to this week's newsletter. If you would like to join me and Karen next month then please get in touch with the school office to book a place. The flier will be accompanying the newsletter. We were 'full' on Monday so I do suggest to contact the office as soon as possible.

School Office Vacancy

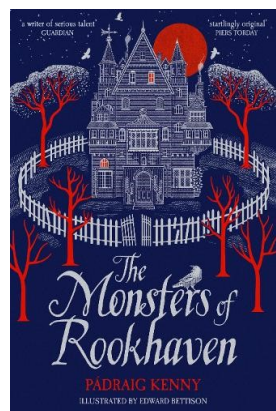
We have a position in the school office for administration support four mornings a week. This is a temporary position up until Xmas in the first instance. If you, or someone you know is interested please send a CV and covering letter to Louise Munz by Friday 15th October. For more information please call the school office.

10richment

House Points

Neptune	710
Saturn	705
Jupiter	620
Mars	525

Waterstones Book of the Month



PTA News

Thank you to those that attended and participated in the PTA Annual General Meeting last week. One of our key actions was to increase our volunteer numbers....delighted to say we have added a large number of people to the PTA Volunteer Group. I'm also delighted to say that all class rep roles are now confirmed. Importantly, we now need to recruit the position of Chairperson for the PTA as our current chair Simon Parry has tendered his resignation, given it is his last year as a GJS parent. Naturally Simon will continue in the role until a successor / successors are in place (it could be a shared role) It is important that a new Chairperson is in place as early as possible in this academic year so there is a reasonable time for transition. If you are interested in the role, or would like more information about what's involved please e-mail simoncrparry1970@gmail.com

Big reminder for our the **Autumn Disco on 20th October**. Tickets only £4 (includes refreshments). Payment can be made by cash or via PayPal using the following link: <https://www.paypal.com/pools/c/8tdp8x3g2Y> The event will be ticketless, names will be added to our disco register for check in on the night....so please be sure to include your child's name on the slip if paying by cash!

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM - Archie
3EC - Molly
4EM - James
4GS - Ophelia
5SD - Jasmine
5CJ - James
6JP - Marija
6RH - Murdo



Attendance Winners: — 3CM 100%

Sports News

Inter School Hockey Tournament

On Tuesday children in Year 4 and 6 represented the school brilliantly in a hockey tournament. They played with great flair and desire and displayed wonderful teamwork as they cheered each other on. The Year 4 teams managed to achieve a 2nd and 4th finish. The Year 6 teams managed to finish 1st and 3rd in their respective leagues. Well done to Charlotte, Felicity, Bonnie, Grace, Thomas, Abigail, Joshua, Ruby, Tessa, Murdo, Rosemary, Hugh, Daniel, Sofia, Amelia, Scarlett, Freya, Eric, Indigo, Oliver, Edward, Lilian, Florence, Etienne, Erin, Toby and Poyraz, who all participated brilliantly!



Diary Dates

Autumn 2021

October:

10th: [World Mental Health Day](#)
11th–15th: 10R–Healthy Week
12th: School Photos–Individual & Siblings
15th: #HelloYellow Mufti Day for Young Minds
19th: Y6 Football Tournament at Tillingbourne School 1-4pm
20th: PTA Disco – Y3&4 5.30-6.30pm / Y5&6 6.45-7.45pm
22nd: Queen Jubilee Bank Holiday
25th–29th: HALF TERM
31st: Secondary School Application Deadline

November

1st: **INSET DAY**
2nd–12th: Y6 Bikeability
3rd: Y3 Haslemere Museum Trip
8th–12th: 10R–Remembrance Week
8th: GJS Morning Surgery–9.00am–Maths at Home
11th: [Armistice Day](#)
13th: Cross Country Event at Glebelands School (all years)
15th–19th: TT Rock Festival Week
16th: Pupil Progress Evening - Late
17th: Flu Vaccinations
18th: Pupil Progress Evening - Early

December

6th: GJS Morning Surgery–9.00am–Reading at Home
6th–10th: 10R–Human Rights Week
10th: [Human Rights Day](#)



Inset Days 2021/22

~~Wednesday 1st September 2021~~

Monday 1st November 2021

Monday 21st February 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022

Friday 27th May 2022