



Newsletter

'To live a creative life, we must lose our fear of being wrong' - Joseph Chilton Pearce

Latest News



Healthy Schools—Silver Award

This week the school added to the success of being awarded the Surrey Schools Healthy Schools Bronze Award last term by being awarded Silver Status. We have been awarded this based on the twelve month project plan in place to 'protect' Personal, Social and Health Education at Godalming Junior School. As you may know PSHE is a non-statutory subject but we believe it should be taught weekly in addition to the weekly Circle Time sessions where children can talk and have the opportunity to seek closure on matters before the week is over. We are very proud of this achievement and of our efforts in ensuring the 'soft skills' of Godalming Junior School continue to be developed. We hope to achieve Gold Status in the next twelve months. Mr Samson, who leads PSHE throughout the school, is more than happy to discuss the project should you have any questions or queries.

Year 4 'Big Weekender' at Sayers Croft Activity Centre

Year 4 are off to Sayers Croft today for their 'Big Weekender' as they look to celebrate the half way stage of their time at Godalming Junior School. There will be daily updates on the school website banner and we are sure they will all have a great time pond dipping, shelter building, orienteering and much, much more!

Book Fair May 22nd—26th

Do stop by and have a browse at the Book Fair next week which will be located in the playground outside the school library, including some great 3 for 2 offers. All purchases help raise valuable funds for the school library stock too!

School Uniform Offer

If you are looking to stock up on uniform for next year Ballet Hoo are offering a 10% discount on all school uniform until 4th June.

Extreme Reading

We are still accepting photos throughout the term so please do continue to send in any pictures of you reading somewhere extreme or unusual to acrook@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk. Happy reading!

PE Kit

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school all week rather than just the days they have their PE session. There may be occasions when the children will need their kits on different days as we enter the summer term.

Value—CREATIVITY

Continuing with our focus on core values that were introduced last year, we will be concentrating on the value of **CREATIVITY** 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 being creative. We once again ask that **CREATIVITY** is referred to and reinforced at home as well as school.

School lunches

A reminder that children must be either packed lunch or school dinners and that the office needs a week's notice to change from one to the other. This is to assist the catering staff when ordering for the week ahead.

In other news...

You will find on the reverse of the newsletter the Inset Days for the next academic year. They will be at similar times to this year with one exception being Monday 23rd July, as term dates for Surrey next year have the school year finishing on this date. There is still one INSET to be confirmed.

House Points

Jupiter	361
Saturn	348
Mars	341
Neptune	269



PTA News

START SAVING YOUR UNWANTED ITEMS—PHIL THE BAG IS RETURNING AFTER HALF-TERM. DATE TBC.

Tickets will continue to be on sale in the playground after school for the **PTA School Disco**. If you are able to help on the night please email kasgirdler@hotmail.co.uk.

More info to follow about the **Summer Fair** however in the meantime do you work for a company who would like to donate or sponsor a raffle prize? If you do please let us know.

Dates for the Diary:

PTA Disco	Thurs 25th May
PTA Meeting	Friday 9th June
PTA Summer Fair	Friday 7th July

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3NJ— Amelia Cook
3AJ— Katie Thackeray
4SD— Joe Maher
4TT— Alfie Dodd
5RP— Gracie Hazeldine
5AC— Matthew Bevan
6JP— Lucy Bradburne
6JS— Tilly Ellis

Attendance Winners: 6JP



TRUST—Values Champions:

3NJ — Isla Mortimer
3AJ — Max Radford-Else
4SD — James Price
4TT — Oliver Jermy
5RP — Georgia Brough
5AC — Jamie Vacher
6JS — Emily Robinson
6JP — Lucy Bradburne



Sports News

Surrey County Cricket Coaching Sessions

The sessions continue to go very well and the next sessions will take place on Monday. Please ensure Year 3, 6JP and 5RP have their PE kits in school for their sessions.

Year 6 Kwik Cricket Tournament—Tuesday 23rd May

Next week our cricket club will compete against other schools in the annual inter-schools tournament at Broadwater Park and we wish them well!

Inter House Kwik Cricket Tournament—Tuesday 6th June

The house captains have put together their teams to fight it out for the GJS Ashes in a few weeks time at Broadwater Park. Each house has 2 teams who will play each other in a round robin tournament day of cricket! Letters will be coming home on Monday with more information

Diary Dates

Summer 2017

May:
19th–21st: Y4 Sayers Croft 'Big Weekender'
22nd–25th: Book Fair
22nd: Cricket Coaching—Y3, 6JP, 5RP
23rd: Cricket Tournament
25th: PTA Disco
29th–2nd June: **HALF TERM**
5th: Cricket Coaching—Y4, 6JS, 5AC
14th: Y4 Multi-Skills Festival @ Broadwater
16th: African Drumming Workshop—whole school
19th–23rd: **HEALTHY WEEK**
19th: Ben Smith Visit
19th: Bleep Test—The Return of the Bleep Test
21st: Y5/6 Biathlon @ Rodborough
23rd: **SPORTS DAY**
26th: UKSA Parents Meeting (7.00pm)
30th: GJS Talent Show



Inset Days 2017/18

Monday 4th September 2017
Tuesday 5th September 2017
Monday 16th April 2018
Monday 23rd July 2018
1 more TBC