Newsletter

"Nothing can dim the light that shines from within" - Maya Angelou

Latest News



Coronavirus Update

You will be aware that in different parts of the country there has been a rise in Covid cases which has resulted in partial lockdowns and in a growing number of cases, partial or full school closures. Whilst we have begun the school year largely unaffected, we do insist that children are kept off school if they are poorly or if they have any of the Covid symptoms. Whilst we are not medical professionals, we are relying on everyone playing their part and using their own judgements which will continue to keep the school open and functioning and most importantly our staff safe to carry out their crucial work. We are also aware that the demand for testing is outstripping capacity and should you not be able to book a test, you must keep your child with symptoms off school for 10 days. The rest of the household, including siblings, should remain in isolation for 14 days, as the guidance states. We are fully aware how inconvenient this may be for families but it is essential that we all do what we can to keep GJS 'open for business'. After any test, thould there be a possible result, then the children can return to school. RE CAUTIOUS should there be a negative result, then the children can return to school. BE CAUTIOUS, PROTECT OUR BUBBLES AND KEEP SCHOOL OPEN.

House Points

Mars 668 Neptune 634 Saturn 557 **Jupiter** 547



Class Council
Well done to everyone who put themselves forward to be Class Council members this year.
Once again, they will work closely with Mr Samson on improving our school. Once the year's 'High 5' priorities have been voted for, we will share them with you. Our Class Council for this year are:

3CM—Poyraz and Florence

3SD-Eric and Freya

4EM—Sam and Amber

4GS-Sam and Jasmine

5EC—Noah and Florence

5CJ—Daniel and Emma **6JP**—Tim and Gabi

6RH—Jiya and Noah

Healthy Week (Mental Health and Wellbeing) Wk Beginning: 5th October With our Healthy Week fast approaching, we would like to offer the opportunity for the children to raise money for Young Minds at home, the charity we support during the week by holding the #HelloYellow mufti day on the Friday (see attached flier). We would like to encourage the children to be as creative as possible by raising further funds to this worthy cause, bringing the amount raised into school to add to the mufti money. Clearly this would also have to be in line with the latest government guidance and ensure whatever it is they choose to do is safe. This could be a virtual event or a sponsored task. Please contact Mrs Sawyer, our PSHE and Wellbeing lead, what your plans are: gsawyer@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk

If you have an appointment with a class teacher or any member of the staff team please can you ensure you wear a face covering.

Coronavirus Testing

For more information on testing procedures and how to obtain a test please click here

School Lunches
The cost of a school meal is £2.40 from Wed 2nd Sept. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please contact the school office. It is SCC policy that all school meals are paid for in advance. Weekly cost will be £12 and the cost for this half term will be £91.20. Should your child wish to switch from school dinners to packed lunches or visa versa then the office requires a weeks notice. Those children having packed lunches may still opt in for a school dinner on Wed for a roast dinner and Fri for fish. These can be ordered with their class teacher on a day.







PTA News

We are still looking for volunteers to fill the role of class reps for 3CM and 4SV - please contact Simon Parry if you are happy to support - simoncrparry1970@gmail.com.

We are working on our first fund raising event of the year. Naturally we are hugely restricted in how we raise funds this year so we are relying on a good old sponsorship activity to kick start the year - a London Marathon inspired sponsored challenge. More information to follow next week!

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week: 3CM: Samuel

3SD: Isla 4EM: Sammy 4GS: 5EC: Jazz **Bonnie** 5CJ: Arlo 6JP: Miles G 6RH: Lizzie-Mei



Sports News

Chance to Shine Cricket will be visiting the school once again this term to provide specialist cricket training. Children will need to come into school dressed in their full PE kit on the following dates and this will be in addition to their curriculum PE slot:

Friday 2nd October Friday 9th October Friday 16th October Year 3 & 4 Year 5 & 6 Year 5 & 6 Friday 23rd October Year 3 & 4



Diary Dates

Autumn 2020

September: 28th-4th: Poetry Week

October:

2nd Chance to Shine Cricket Year 3 & 4

5th-9th:

Healthy Week—MHW 'Hello Yellow' Young People's MH —MUFTI 9th

9th Chance to Shine Cricket Year 5 & 6 Chance to Shine Cricket Year 5 & 6 Chance to Shine Cricket Year 3 & 4 16th 23rd

26th-30th: HALF TERM

November

5th:

INSET DAY (Thursday)
Parent Tours for Sept 2021 @ 6pm 9th-11th

9th-13th: Remembrance Week



<u>Inset Days 2020/21</u>

Tuesday 1st September 2020 Thursday 5th November 2020 Friday 26th February 2021 Monday 19th April 2021 Monday 7th June 2021