Autumn 2

15th September 2017

Newsletter

'Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all the darkness - Desmond Tutu

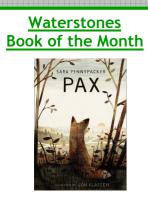
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House Points			
Neptune	453		
Mars	426		
Saturn	416		
Jupiter	399		





Pax By Sara Pennypacker

Curriculum Evenings

It was lovely to see so many of you come to the curriculum evenings this week and find out more about what is in store for the coming year. Remember, if you are also available to help out, run a club or be class rep this year we would love to hear from you. In the meantime please see the school website for further information regarding the curriculum, assessment and the presentations themselves and get in touch with your class teacher if you have any questions or queries!

Year 3 Egyptian Day

The children have not been long in school and already Year 3 have been transported back to Ancient Egypt for the day today where they learnt all about the geography and history of Ancient Egypt. Everyone dressed up in various costumes ranging from powerful Pharaohs to beautiful Cleopatras. In the afternoon, we travelled back to Ancient Egypt to visit a Pharaoh in his palace. Unfortunately for him, he was poisoned and died! However, this meant that we got to watch the process of mummification and even took part in the burial procession before sealing him in his tomb. Finally, we got to crown a new Pharaoh who we had to worship like a living God!

Clubs

As mentioned last week, we are thrilled, once again, to offer over twenty clubs led by external providers, parents and staff. On Monday and Tuesday the children had the opportunity to sign up for the school-run clubs. They will start the week beginning 18th September-with the exception of football, netball, newspaper and chess club as the staff leading these clubs will be in UKSA with Year 6-these clubs will begin the following week. The office have collated the sign up sheets and ensured a fair spread of clubs. Letters have been sent home, for after-school clubs, and they must be returned BEFORE your child starts the club. For further information please contact the school office.

School Improvement Planning

This week saw the launch of our School Improvement Plan board in the reception area. Here we have displayed what our main objectives and targets are for the coming year. Each term this will be updated so you can see how we are getting on. If you have any questions or queries then please do let us know.

House Poetry Competition-RESILIENCE

This week we launched our first house event of the year and during Poetry Week the children will be attempting to write a fantastic poem using our value of **RESILIENCE** as their stimulus. The children will all score points for their entries, there will be prizes on offer and one lucky winner will have their entry added to Poetry Corner outside. The closing date is Friday 29th September and we will have a visiting poet to help judge the entries!

Waterstones-Book of the Month

Another new addition in our newsletters is our Book of the Month feature to support reading for pleasure at Godalming Junior School. We also strongly believe that children should be reading daily either in or outside school. Not only does this help develop many skills but it is also a great way to pass time!

Year 5 Macmillan Coffee and Cake Afternoon

On Friday 29th September Year 5 will be running a coffee and cake afternoon in aid of Macmillan. In the Art Studio from 3.05pm you will be able to buy a coffee (or tea) and a cake for £1 with all proceeds going to Macmillan. There will also be larger sumptuous cakes available to be purchased by making a donation. Miss Pulleyn and Mrs Crook will be organising the event so if you are a Year 5 parent willing to contribute we ask that you get in touch with vour class teacher.

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PTA News

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at tonight's Welcome BBQ where we will be offering A FREE DRINK on arrival. This is a great opportunity to meet up again after the summer holidays and also welcome our new families into the Godalming Junior School community.

School Achievement



Pupil of the Week:

3AJ- Oliver Williams 3NJ— Freya Cox 4SD- Katie Yeo 4EM— Max Radford-Else 5RP— Amelie Oram **5AC**— Bradley Staniford 6RH— Carla Moses & Louisa Cook **6JP**— Poppy Juniper



House News

House Captain Elections

Thank you and well done to ALL Year 6 children who put themselves forward on Wednesday and gave speeches in an effort to become their House Captain and Vice Captain; the standard of speeches was phenomenal! The children spoke with confidence, passion and sincerity which made the whole voting process so, so difficult. In the end the children elected were:

Neptune: Captain: Poppy Juniper Vice Captain: Toby Carmichael-Parsons Saturn: Captain: Billy Arocas-White Vice Captain: Tosca Michielin Jupiter: Captain: Gracie Petersson Vice Captain: Alexander Egan Mars: Captain: Charlotte Martin Vice Captain: Matthew Bevan Congratulations to the above children and here's to a successful year of house events!

Diary Dates

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September		
15th:	PTA Welcome BBQ @ 6.00pm	
18th-22nd:	Year 6 trip to UKSA	
25th–29th:	Poetry Week	
October		
6th:	Year 4 Greek Day	
9th–13th:	Healthy Week	
9th:	Skipping Workshop	
13th:	Bleep Test	
16th—20th:	Hero Week	
19th:	PTA Disco	
23rd–27th:	HALF TERM	
30th:	INSET DAY	
31st:	Born Free Visiting Speaker–Year 6	
November		
6th-10th:	Remembrance Week	
17th:	Year 3 and 4 Nasal and Flu jabs	
22nd:	22nd: Parent -Teacher Consultation Evening 6.00—8.30pm	
23rd:	Parent–Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30–6.00pr	n
29th:	Year 5 Victorian Exhibition 6.00–7.00pm	



Attendance Winners: 5AC & 5RP

Inset Days 2017/18 30th October 2017 16th April 2018 23rd July 2018