



Autumn 9
11th November 2022



Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

"We have far more in common than that which divides us" - Jo Cox

Latest News



Remembrance Week

The children this week learnt about barrage balloons, bombing in Godalming, making collages and also used our school log books, which date back to the 1800's and learnt how previous conflicts effected those at school at the time. GJS took 15 evacuees during World War 2 and were given priority places at the school. Our next 10 richment week is Human Rights Week when we will be gathering evidence to help with our bid to become a **GOLD** standard Unicef Rights Respecting School!

GET Teaching with the GLP

The Godalming Learning Partnership of schools are proud partners of Winchester University and have been training teachers for the last 5 years with our blend of innovative academic study and immersive school experience. We are running a number of promotional events over the coming weeks for those interested in finding out more about our unique and bespoke Schools Direct teacher training programme which starts in September 2023.

If you would like to find out more, come along to the seminar we will be running at one of our founder schools, Godalming Junior School on Thursday 08 December at 6.00pm and contact Andrew Smith on: info@getteaching.org. We look forward to seeing you there.

More information can be found on our GET Teaching information evening flier attached.

School Value in Focus: TOLERANCE

This term the children will be studying the value of **TOLERANCE** as part of our assembly programme, circle time themes and PSHE curriculum. As usual, we would always appreciate parents discussing this value further at home to reinforce our work and maybe consider examples in the world where this is particularly challenging right now. If you would like any ideas on activities to do at home linked to this value, then please visit our value section on the website [here](#) for more information.

Y5 Science Workshops

This week and next, Year 5 are visiting Rodborough School to take part in some exciting Science Workshops. They are being led by Rodborough science teachers and representatives of Year 10. The children had a fantastic time testing acids and alkalines and working out the sugar content of different liquids - all in a laboratory environment.

Cancellations to some after school clubs— next week

The following teacher led after school clubs are cancelled next week due to the parents evenings. This includes: Eco Warriors on Wednesday and Choir on Thursday.

Start of School Day

Please can we remind parents that while the gates open at 8.25, children need to be in class for registration by 8.45 at the latest. This will enable us to ensure that lessons start promptly and also that children do not miss any Early Work learning or reading opportunities.

Nut Allergy Awareness

Please note that we have children in school with severe nut allergies and that we request that all food, such as chocolate biscuits, cereal bars and spreads containing nuts are not brought to school. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Coats

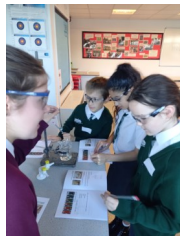
As the weather become less mild, less predictable and less conducive to playing outside, we would urge parents to ensure all children have coats each day. We always try to give the children the opportunity to go outside at break and lunch to enjoy time with their friends, get fresh air and natural light as much as we can, even if the weather is not great. Children without coats may not be allowed out during these times.

Community Support

We always appreciate support from our local community and wish to thank Howdens for stepping in this week to help supply some much needed work surfaces.

Christmas Carol Concerts

This year we hope to run our first live Christmas Carol Assemblies in 3 years! The dates of which are on the reverse of the newsletter and more information will be sent out next week. These will be about 30 minutes long, during our last week of term, involve ALL the children and will have the theme of TOLERANCE throughout the week. We will be limiting numbers to attend to 2 per child. Watch this space for more information!



House Points

Neptune	1729
Jupiter	1575
Saturn	1514
Mars	1395

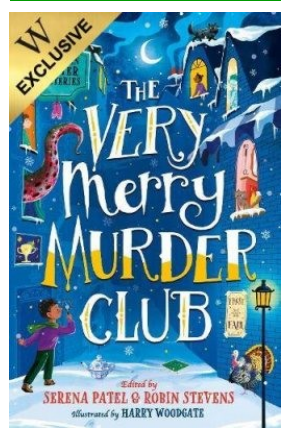


Next House Event

Spring— Football

Sign up sheets will be available later this term.

Waterstones Book of the Month



PTA News

The Christmas fair is fast approaching, **Friday 9th Dec—4.30 to 7.30pm**. Make sure the date is in your diary! In anticipation of the Christmas fair, we have mufti days for donations. Please see below:

Next week — Fri 18th Nov—Bottle Tombola

Fri 25th Nov—Jolly Jam Jars

Fri 2nd Dec—Xmas hampers donations (more details will follow on this)

We are still looking for a year 5 (5SD) class rep. If anyone would be keen to help out and coordinate one of the classes and helpers it would be hugely appreciated. Having reps across the entire school does give the sense of community and makes a huge difference when we do events like the school fairs. Please let me (philipdcurtis@hotmail.com) or the school office know if you are interested.

Future dates for the Calendar: Wed 8th February—School Spring Disco / Fri 24th March—Parents School Quiz

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM— Florence
3EC— Daniel
4LT— Elena
4GS— To be awarded on Monday
5SD— Toby
5NM— Arty
6EM— Charles
6RH— Rosie S



Attendance Winners: 5NM—100 %



Anti Bullying Stars Half Term Champions:

CONFIDENCE Values Champions

3CM— Lewis
3EC— Samuel Y
4LT— Oscar
4GS— Kayla
5SD— Kaelyn
5NM— Matthew
6EM— Toby
6RH— Barnaby



Sports News

Cross Country

Ted and Kai, from Y5 ran for Waverley Harriers last Sunday on a wet and windy morning. They both ran a great race and were delighted to meet an Olympic hero— Mo Farrah! What a fantastic reward! Well done!



Diary Dates

Autumn 2022

November

14th—18th: Anti Bullying Week
15th: 6RH Science Workshop at Charterhouse School
15th: Parents Evening (5.30—8.10pm)
16th: 5SD Science Workshop at Rodborough School
17th: Parents Evening (3.30—6.10pm)
18th: Y4 Greek Day
18th: MUFTI—Bottle donations
21st—25th: TT Rock Fest Week
25th: MUFTI—Jolly Jam Jar donations
30th: Flu vaccinations
30th—2nd Dec: Y4 Bikeability Course L1

December

2nd: MUFTI—Xmas hamper donations
5th—9th: 10R—Human Rights Week
9th: PTA Christmas Fair 4.30—7.30pm
12th: Y3 Carol Assembly @ 9.15am
13th: Y4 carol Assembly @ 9.15am
14th: Y5 Carol Assembly @ 9.15am
15th: Y6 Carol Assembly @ 9.15am
16th: Christmas Jumper Day—Guide Dogs



Inset Days 2022/23

~~Thursday 1st September 2022~~

~~Monday 31st October 2022~~

Friday 10th February 2023

Monday 17th April 2023

Friday 26th May 2023