

Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

We are proudly Supporti<mark>ng</mark>

BritishRedCross

'I am no bird: and no net ensnares me: I am a free human being with an independent will' - Charlotte Bronte

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Our Deputy Designated Safeguard Leads are: Mr MacIver-Deputy HT Mrs Wilkinson-SENCo Mrs Munz-Bursar Mrs Kirby-HSLW

'It's everyone's business'

Attendance

From Monday we will be closing the Marshall Road gate each morning at 8.35am as this is the time when registers are taken in classes across the school and children should already be in. After 8.35am we do request that all children come to the Hallam Road entrance and hope that every effort is made to get the children in school on time. Both sets of gates will continue to be opened at 8.25am each morning.

Healthy School = Healthy Lunch

We have noticed over the last few weeks more and more foods, that we consider to be unhealthy, appearing in children's lunchboxes and would like to encourage parents to ensure there are healthy items brought into school. For more advice, information and help on healthier lunchboxes, you can visit the NHS Change for Life website here for more ideas and further reinforce our Healthy Schools status

Value in Focus: Independence

As we enter the final term of the year, INDEPENDENCE is now the value 'in focus'. At this stage of the year, we expect ALL children to embrace and uphold this value and begin to look ahead to beginning a new year and ensuring ALL are equipped to deal with the greater expectations on them, whether that is here or whether that is moving on to their new school. Staff will be looking out to see examples of the children 'living' this value, showing initiative and confidently facing challenges they encounter during our busiest term of the year.

Change to Going Home Arrangements

Whilst we understand that people are leading busy lives and situations change, we do insist that you try and prioritize the arrangement that is in place for picking up your child. If there is a change to this arrangement please would you alert the office at the earliest possible time and **before 1.00pm each day**. We do ask that you **telephone** the school office to change any arrangements and rather than leave a message, speak to a person from the school office to be sure the message is received and passed on. There is a growing number of requests coming in very late in the day and this is putting significant pressure on the office staff to ensure these messages are passed on, which can be avoided if the school has as much notice as possible and parents are not leaving voicemails or simply emailing the school. Thank you tice as possible and parents are not leaving voicemails or simply emailing the school. Thank you.

Summer Uniform

As we move into the summer term children may return to school in their smart summer uniform. You can as we move into the summer term children may return to school in their shart summer uniform. You can find the school uniform policy here. Please note that though winter uniform is still an option, the children are required to wear a tie IF they are wearing the 'winter' shirt. Please can you inform the school office or your child's teacher if for any reason you are experiencing any uniform issues and ensure all uniform is named. Should you require any additional 'nearly new' uniform, including summer dresses and shorts, please contact the school office as we have stock available in our second hand shop. Please also note that children must be dressed in full winter uniform on 20th May when their class photographs will be taken.

<u>Medical/Dietary Changes</u> Please ensure that you inform the school office should there be any changes to your child's medical information or dietary requirements.

Godalming Learning Partnership's GET Teaching Programme
Why not GET Teaching with the Godalming Learning Partnership and Winchester University?
The Godalming Learning Partnership is a large group of schools serving the children and families of the

Godalming area. We are a strong collaborative group with a long history of working closely together to achieve more for our young people, schools and community.

We run an exciting opportunity to train as a teacher in partnership with Winchester University and are inviting applications to start in Sept 2024.

The one year school-led GET Teaching PGCE programme provides the perfect combination of immersive classroom experience in our local schools and academic study at Winchester University. Our current trainees are teaching and training across all our schools ensuring they gain invaluable experience of a wide range of settings.

If you are interested and want to know more e-mail Rachel Dunnage:

coorditor@godalminglearning.org.



PTA News

Watch this space in coming weeks for more information about the new PTA event—Parent's Casino Night on Friday 14th June.

Future Events

Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th July—Year 6 Play Friday 12th July-Summer Fair

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week 3AR — Milly 3EC — Elvey 4JA — Arthur 4RH - Molly 5SD - Ethan 5NM - Oscar 6EM — Isla 6TA — Samuel



Attendance Winners: 3AR – 98% ANTI-BULLYING **ALLIANCE** Member

RESPECT Values Champions

3AR — Bodhi 3EC — Lily S 4JA – Lotta 4RH — Thea 5SD — Emily 5NM — Millie

6EM — Isla 6TA — Elly



Spring AB Stars Champions: 6TA

Sports News

District Sports Trials

Following the **upper school** district sports trials today, next week will be the turn of the **lower school** children. This year the event will be at The Spectrum Athletics Track, Guildford on **Monday 8th July**. Over the next few weeks, we will be holding practice sessions to pull together a squad to compete on the day. The Lower School trials involve the following events.

- > 60m
- > 150m
- 300m
- > Kwik cricket ball throw

ALL children were welcome to take part but they MUST have signed up with their class teacher already, demonstrating excellent INDEPENDENCE, our 'in focus' value.

Diary Dates

Summer 2024

April 30th: Y4 Roman Day

May 6th:

School Closed-Bank Holiday

Y5 Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC 10th:

SATs Week 13th-16th:

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5SD Science Workshop @ Rodborough
Class Photos—Winter Uniform Day
Lower School Sports Day—Y3 am/Y4 pm
Upper School Sports Day—Y3 am/Y6 pm 15th: 20th: 21st: 22nd:

Y5/6 Girls Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC 23rd:

24th: Half Term 27th-31st:

June

3rd: Y3 visit to Haslemere Museum 5SD Science Workshop @ Rodborough 10R—International Week—The Americas Inter House Cricket Day 'The G-Ashes' @ Farncombe CC 5th: 10th-14th:

14th:

17th-19th: Y4 visit to Sayers Croft

25th: Y6 Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC 26th: Y4 Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC

8th-12th: 10R-Arts Week

Inset Days 2023/24 Friday 1st September 2023 Monday 30th October 2023 Friday 9th February - Monday 15th April 2024 Friday 24th May 2024

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Monday 2nd September 2024 Friday 25th October 2024 Friday 14th February 2025 Tuesday 22nd April 2025 Friday 23rd May 2025

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