



Spring 3  
22nd January 2021



Godalming Junior School

# Newsletter

*"Being honest may not get you many friends, but it'll always get you the right ones" - John Lennon*

## Latest News



### Week 3—Remote Learning

Well done to all the children who continue to access the online learning provision and doing their best. This is all we can ask of you during this time. It has been great to see so many children attend across the school with attendance online being between 96-98%, which is great! Please remember to spend time away from the screen when you can as we all know how tiring this can be. Remember parents, there are guides for you with tips on how to manage online learning, which can be found [here](#). Keep up the great work and a special well done to all those who received their 'shout outs' today and have their place marked on the GJS Walk of Fame. The names of these wonderful Lockdown Learners can be found on the reverse of the newsletter!

Mr Samson is also keen to continue to receive examples of work the children that they are particularly proud of. He has enjoyed reading comic strips and pieces of writing on heroes this week! If you would like to send pieces of work, messages or examples of independent tasks then please send them to: [head@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:head@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk)



### 10richment Hero Week 18th—22nd January

Well done to all the children who have 'embraced' Hero Week this week. Across the school we have been discussing the criteria of heroism, modern day heroes, historical heroes, local heroes, creating superheroes, making cartoon strips and much, much more! We now move our attention to Arts Week taking place later this term!

### School Value

This half term we will be concentrating on the value of **HONESTY**. The children will learn about how we all need the ability to be honest, despite the challenge of making decisions or saying things that are 'unpopular'. As like so many things in life, the right thing to do is often not the easiest thing to do and the right decisions made may not be widely considered to be the most popular. We also ask that the message of 'honesty being the best policy' is reinforced at home as well as school.

### Farewell to staff

Today we said goodbye and thank you to Nikki Brough, who after six years working in the school office is moving on to a new role. We welcome Jackie Hunt to the office team from Monday.

### Virtual Chess Competition—Saturday 6th February 2021

King Edward's Witley School are hosting this virtual chess competition from 11am on Saturday 6th Feb. Please see the flier attached for further details on how to join in the fun!

### New Community Initiative Launched 'Click It Local'

Click It Local continues to offer residents a service to purchase from their favourite independent high street shops, with one payment and same day delivery. They are also offering a £5 discount with Cranleigh Fish on each order using the code FREEFISH until 1st Feb 2021. For further information and offers [click here](#)

### Families Magazine—Online support for families during lockdown

The current issue of Families Magazine includes lots of content to help families during lockdown including activities to do at home. Click [here](#) for direct access to the website.

### Food Bank Donations

Thank you to everyone who has already responded to our donation plea. We will continue to leave the Food Bank 'bin' outside the Hallam Road gate on Monday mornings and we would really appreciate items such as: pasta, rice, cereals, cooking sauces and long-life milk. Thanks again to everyone who has donated already and we hope to continue to support our GJS community.

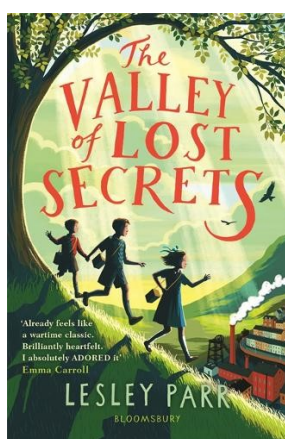
### Godalming & Villages Community Food Store Update

In addition to the shop, the community store will now have two trolleys outside the Wilfrid Noyce Centre for those in need to help themselves. The regular 'shop' also remains open for families who have been financially affected during this pandemic. It stocks food, toiletries and household items for emergency assistance. It looks just like a normal shop to walk around and choose what you may need but you have a private appointment and there is no till! To arrange a visit please contact the shop at [office@godalming-tc.gov.uk](mailto:office@godalming-tc.gov.uk) or phone 01483 523575.

### RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch

The RSPB have relaunched their Big Garden Birdwatch this month from 29th—31st Jan. Please find further details on how to take part in the fun along with extra activities [here](#)

### Waterstones Book of the Month



## PTA News

Watch this space!

## School Achievement

### Lockdown Walk of Fame:

3CM – Naomi  
3SD – Eva  
4EM – Thomas  
4GS – Riley  
5CJ – Rosie  
5EC – Mary  
6JP – Amelie  
6RH – Teddy



### Lockdown Walk of Fame: Special Mentions

Well done to Yamini in 6RH who chose Waitrose and the staff at Nuffield Hospital as her 'local heroes' and compiled wonderful letters to both this week.

## Diary Dates

### Spring Term 2021

#### February

9th:  
15th–19th:  
22nd–26th:  
26th:

#### March

1st–5th:  
4th:  
8th–12th:  
22nd–26th:

23rd:

25th:

#### April

1st:

Safer Internet Day

**HALF TERM**

**ARTS WEEK**

**GLP INSET DAY**

**BOOK WEEK**

**WORLD BOOK DAY**

**SCIENCE WEEK**

**EARTH WEEK**

Parent/Teacher Meeting (Late) TBC

Parent/Teacher Meeting (Early) TBC

**END OF TERM @ 1.15pm (It really is)**



### Inset Days 2020/21

~~Tuesday 1st September 2020~~

~~Thursday 5th November 2020~~

**Friday 26th February 2021**

Monday 19th April 2021

Monday 7th June 2021