



Newsletter

"Success is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm" - Winston Churchill

Latest News

Sports Days

This week saw our final Sports Day of the year and the final Y6 Sports Day during their time at GJS finally get completed! It was a wonderfully sunny, sporting, exciting and enjoyable morning with ALL children performing superbly! Aply supported by our Y5 'House Captains in waiting'. The standings changed throughout the morning and it was **Mars** who came out victorious. We also added up the scores from ALL the Sports Day and found that the overall Sports Day winner was....**Mars**. In 2nd place was **Neptune**, 3rd was **Jupiter** and **Saturn** in 4th.

Parking at Pick Up Time

We kindly ask that all parents refrain from using our car park for school pick ups and consider using alternative parking/pick up options as we value our relationship with neighbouring residents and businesses, especially Ma-jestic, who allow us to use the car park for our coaches on school trip days. There have been reports of near collisions in recent weeks which we need to avoid in future.

E-Safety Parent Webinar

Next Thursday (13th) we will be holding our annual online parent e-safety webinar at 5.00pm via MSTEams [here](#) run by Miss D, our Computing and E-Safety Lead at GJS. This has proven really helpful, informative and reassuring for parents of children who may have phones, may be about to leave the school or simply want tips and sign-posting to help them manage internet access at homes. There will be an opportunity to ask questions anonymously and, of course, there is always the option of following up the session by arranging an in person meeting with Miss D or Mr Samson.

Choir Blast—Saturday 8th June @ The Bandstand

If you happen to be in Godalming tomorrow around midday, do drop by the Bandstand where Miss Coleman and the wonderful GJS choir will be performing as part of the annual Choir Blast event! It is sure to be an amazing spectacle!

Koosa Breakfast Club

We are pleased to announce that Koosa Kids will be providing a breakfast club for GJS children from September. This will be open from 7.45am Monday to Thursday and will be run by GJS staff. A breakfast of cereal, toast and fresh fruit will be provided daily. More information to follow shortly.

Value in Focus: PERSEVERANCE

At a time of year when we start to look ahead, consider next steps in our journey and consider the thought of moving schools, **PERSEVERANCE** is the perfect value to be 'in focus' for the final few weeks of term. 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. We are asking EVERYONE for the final push, final steps in improving areas of their work and also holding 'home talks' about the value of **PERSEVERANCE**. Children are also invited to research people from history who showed a 'never say die' attitude, pushed boundaries, changed minds and stood up for what they believed in. Mr Samson would welcome 'Perseverance Projects' either handed to him directly or sent via head@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk to share in assemblies this term, put on the school website or even display around the school!

Godalming Learning Partnership's GET Teaching Programme

Why not GET Teaching with the Godalming Learning Partnership and Winchester University, an **OUTSTANDING** teacher training provider?

The Godalming Learning Partnership is a 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.

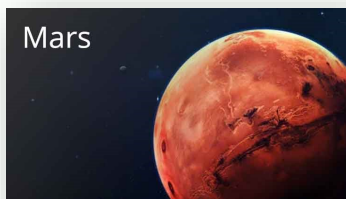
We run an exciting opportunity to train as a teacher in partnership with Winchester University and are inviting applications to start in Sept 2024.

The one year school-led GET Teaching school based 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.

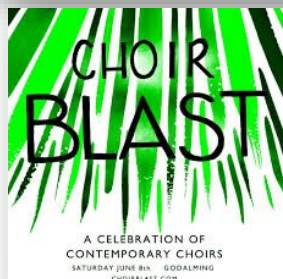
If you are interested and want to know more, speak to Mr Samson who has led the programme since its inception or alternatively you can e-mail Rachel Dunnage: coordinator@godalminglearning.org.uk

And Finally...

Today we say a farewell and good luck to Miss Holcombe as she goes on maternity leave. Mrs Squires will take over 4RH and I am sure you will all join us in wishing her all the best and we look forward to her returning to the GJS fold next year!

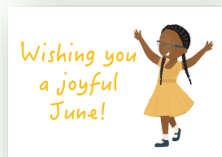


Mars



House Points

Saturn	2831
Jupiter	2688
Mars	2591
Neptune	2535



Our Designated Safeguard Lead and Operation Encompass Key Adult is:
Mr Samson—HT

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

'It's everyone's business'



PTA News

Make sure the babysitter is booked for the Godalming Junior Casino Night! Friday 14th June, School Hall, £10 per ticket. Please come and join us for a fun filled night, see poster for more details.

We are also looking for a new Co-Treasurer to assist us with looking after the PTA Finances. Please reach out to Phil (Chairman) or Rhian (Treasurer) if you're able to help the PTA.

Future Events

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

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week

3AR — Sophie
3EC — Ella
4JA — Jacob
4RH — Samuel K
5SD — Harry
5NM — George
6EM — Oliver & Neera
6TA — Finlay



Attendance Winners: 6TA — 99%



Spring AB Stars Champions: 5NM

INDEPENDENCE Values Champions

3AR — Arthur
3EC — Dotty
4JA — Flynn
4RH — Albert
5SD — William
5NM — Adam
6EM — Alfie
6TA — Sebby



Sports News

G-Ashes 2024

Good luck to all the children taking part in our final inter house event of the year next Friday as 15 teams battle it out to see who will be crowned G-Ashes Winners 2024 and take the urn!

Girls Kwik Cricket County Play Off @ Waverley Abbey C of E Junior School

Following the very dramatic 'super over' win in the final before half term, the girls have been invited to a playoff match against the Farnham District Tournament winners at Waverley Abbey School on **Thursday 13th June** at 4.00pm. We wish them all the best and will update you on how they get on next week! Knock em' for 6 girls!

Diary Dates

Summer 2024

June

8th: ChoirBlast
10th—14th: 10R—International Week—The Americas
14th: Inter House Cricket Day 'The G-Ashes' @ Farncombe CC
14th: Parents Casino Night
17th—19th: Y4 visit to Sayers Croft
25th: Y6 Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC
26th: Y4 Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC

July

2nd: Bump Up Day
2nd: New Parents Evening @ 6.00pm
3rd: 2nd Bump Up Day (Rodborough School children only)
8th—12th: 10R—Arts Week
8th: District Sports @ Guildford Spectrum
9th: Music Works Showcase
10th & 11th: Y6 Production
12th: 'GJS Got Talent' Show
12th: PTA Summer Fair
15th: Mad Hatter 'Thank You' Tea Party
23rd: End of Term @ 1.15pm

September

2nd: **Inset Day**
3rd: **Start of Term**

Inset Days 2024/25

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

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