



Newsletter

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

Latest News

SATs Tests

Well done to all of year 6 who navigated their way through their statutory assessments this week. The whole GJS team have been immensely proud of how they have managed the week, getting to school on time and rising to the occasion. We would also like to thank the rest of the school for their respectful conduct around the school when tests were going on.

Weather Warning

With the warm weather we have been seeing lately, this offers a reminder of how we need to be careful at school. We do ask that on warmer days that children come to school with a hat, water bottle and sun cream already applied and possibly with them if you feel they need it. We do politely request, like many schools, that you check the ingredients of the sun cream used, as some do contain nut oil ingredients which can cause reactions in those in close proximity.

Class Photographs—Monday

Please be reminded the children are having their individual photographs taken on Monday. They should therefore come to school in full winter uniform, including a shirt and school tie.

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 Majestic, 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.

Sports Days

The times and dates for this years' Sports Days have been confirmed and will follow a similar arrangement to previous years. As the events for the younger children in the school are likely to take a little longer, these will now be in the mornings of the 2 day with the older children's events in the afternoon.

Tuesday 21st May—am Year 3 (9.15am approx. start) - pm Year 5 (1.30pm approx. start)

Wednesday 22nd May—am Year 4 (as above) - pm Year 6 (as above)

House t-shirts, which should be worn for Sports Day, are available to buy via the office or Arbor for £2.50.

Music Workshop

On Tuesday, Year 5 were treated to a drumming workshop with Music Works to help support the work they have been doing in Music this term. They looked at the history of drumming and used different rhythms to guide soldiers into battle. The children all had great fun and built on their knowledge of how to play different types of drums and playing to a beat and in a round.

Value in Focus: Independence

INDEPENDENCE continues to be 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. We are still seeing a lot of forgotten water bottles, PE kits and equipment!

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 e-mail Rachel Dunnage:
coordinator@godalminglearning.org.uk



Surrey Healthy Schools

House Points

Saturn	1254
Jupiter	1163
Mars	1095
Neptune	1085



MARVELOUS MAY

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

Move over Monte Carlo, leave Las Vegas, the Casino is coming to Godalming!

Gents dig out those dinner jackets and sharp suits. Ladies dust down the dresses and join the PTA for a fun social casino night.

Friday 14th June, School Hall, £10 per ticket. Winner with most chips at the end of the night wins a Prize. See attached poster for more details.

Future Events

Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th July—Year 6 Play

Friday 12th July—Summer Fair

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week

3AR – Dylan D

3EC – Tilly

4JA – Nyah

4RH – Kris

5SD – Betty

5NM – Ella

6EM – William

6TA – Emi



Attendance Winners: 3AR – 98%



Spring AB Stars Champions: 6TA

RESPECT Values Champions

3AR – Bodhi

3EC – Lily S

4JA – Lotta

4RH – Thea

5SD – Emily

5NM – Millie

6EM – Isla

6TA – Elly



Sports News

District Sports Trials

Well done to ALL the children who showed great INDEPENDENCE, signed up for District Sports trials and gave their all over the last couple of weeks. In keeping with our inclusive ambitions, the trials were open to ALL children and we have notified the children who have made the squad and invited them to practice sessions each Friday afternoons. Thank to all of those children who took part in the trials and those unsuccessful and in Year 3, 4 and 5 still have next year to try out again!

Year 5 Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC

Well done to our Year 5 children who performed valiantly in warm and tiring conditions last week competing in the Kwik Cricket tournament at Farncombe CC. Overall they came 6th and we now cheer on the girls next Thursday!

Diary Dates

Summer 2024

May	
20th:	Class Photos—Winter Uniform Day
21st:	Y3 & Y5 Sports Day—Y3 am/Y5 pm
22nd:	Y4 & Y6 Sports Day—Y4 am/Y6 pm
23rd:	Y5/6 Girls Kwik Cricket Tournament @ Farncombe CC
24th:	INSET DAY
27th–31st:	Half Term
June	
3rd:	Y3 visit to Haslemere Museum
5th:	5NM Science Workshop @ Rodborough
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	
8th–12th:	10R —Arts Week
8th:	District Sports @ Guildford Spectrum

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

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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