

Latest News

Week 6 — Remote Learning



As we approach the end of another half term of school closure, I would like to say a huge well done and thank you to all the families for all you have done these last 6 weeks. Once again, I find myself lost for words and I feel so proud of what has been achieved. The children have applied themselves superbly online and have once again, had to adjust to a 'different way of learning'. Thank you for supporting them by offering them a space to learn, ensure they are on time for lessons, in uniform and encouraging them! I am sure you will join me in thanking our wonderful staff who have done all they can to keep school ticking over, providing online lessons and checking in. The WHOLE GJS community has once again pulled together for the greater good. PLEASE have a safe, restful and, as much as possible, a 'screen free' half term break before we go again on the 22nd. I'm sure, like me, you are hoping for a return to school on 8th March so fingers crossed.

School Value

Well done to all our HONESTY Values Champions. The names can be found on the reverse of this newsletter and next half term we turn our attention to COMMUNITY.

Half Term & INSET Day Reminder

Please be reminded that, in line with DfE guidance there will be no in-school provision during February half term. In addition, on Friday 26th February the school will be closed to all children.

World Book Day—Thursday 4th March 2021

Book Week begins on Monday 1st March! While this 10richment week will be done remotely, your child will have lots of opportunities to talk about books and will take part in some fun discussions and activities with their class teacher. In addition, we will still be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 4th March by dressing up as characters from the genre of 'fantasy'. It will be lovely to see lots of dragons and Harry Potters on Zoom that day!

Surrey's Family Help Hub

Have you ever wondered why your child is behaving a certain way? Is that behaviour typical? What could be causing it? Is something wrong? These are common worries for everyone looking after babies, toddlers, children and teenagers. <u>Surrey's Family Help Hub</u> developed by Surrey County Council, with help from its partners, is a site with a difference. This is a new service that is being developed and only small section of what is planned long term. The team developing this is looking for feedback to develop the site further in the coming months, so take a look and (with a chance to win £100 Amazon voucher), make sure you offer your feedback.

Guide for Parents & Carers: Health, Wellbeing and Emotional Support

Surrey CC, together with the NHS have produced a guide highlighting a range of resources to maintain your child's wellbeing during these challenging times. Please refer to the guide sent out via Parentmail for further information.

Godalming Learning Partnership Art Competition—'Made in Godalming'

Following on from the success of the Remembrance Writing competition last term, this term sees the first GLP wide Art Competition. All children are welcome to enter and further details are on the attached flier. The children are to create a piece of artwork inspired by the title 'Made in Godalming'. Good luck!

Surrey Arts News and Interactive sessions Surrey Arts would like to invite your child to an exciting online demonstration on Wed 17th February from 5pm-6pm. This event promises to be a fantastic opportunity to meet the team who will showcase many of the instruments available to learn online and within school when possible and ask any questions. To book a place email sally.white@surreycc.gov.uk. Surrey Arts ensembles will also be holding 'come and try' sessions each week from 6th February for singers and instrumentalists (open to everyone). For more information including a timetable of events and Zoom log in details contact <u>alison.harding@surreycc.gov.uk</u>.







PTA News

Watch this space!

School Achievement

HONESTY-Values Champions 3CM - Samuel 3SD - Ted 4EM - Freddie 4GS - Liam 5CJ - Ruby 5EC - Rosie 6JP - Karenza 6RH - Maya

6RH – Maya



Diary Dates

February 15th-19th: 22nd-26th: 26th: March 1st-5th: 4th: 8th-12th: 22nd-26th: 23rd: 25th:

April

1st:

Spring Term 2021

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