



Newsletter

"You can't use up creativity: The more you use, the more you have" - Maya Angelou

Latest News

This year we are supporting:

SAMARITANS



10R—Arts Week @ GJS

What a final 10R-richment Week of the year we have had with Arts Week coming alive at GJS! This all started at St John's Church, Farncombe on Sunday where our choir was invited to perform at the Waverley Borough Council Civic Service, as Councillor Penny Rivers was, once again, sworn in as The Mayor of Waverley. On Tuesday and Thursday we were visited by the Guildford & Wey Valley Art Society, who ran art workshops for both Year 3 and 4 making an Anglo-Saxon style cross and jewellery in the Art Studio throughout the days. Year 6 also enjoyed a theatrical performance of 'The Forest in Between', a transition production to support them moving on from GJS to their secondary schools. On Wednesday it was the turn of the Music Works Musical Showcase with GJS students 'showcasing' their musical talents to the rest of the school and bringing joy to the captivated audience! If that was not enough, on Wednesday and Thursday evening it was the turn of Year 6 to showcase THEIR artistic talents as they performed their end of year production of 'Oliver with a Twist'. Fantastic singing, wonderful acting, super costumes, amazing sound and brilliant props, the show had everything and very much left the audience demanding **MORE!**

Lunch Accounts

Please check Arbor and ensure your child's lunch account is cleared by the end of term. If you'd like to top up to cover the rest of term the total is £33.60.

School Access 2025-26

Following a recent safeguarding review of the school site, the school welfare team has taken the decision to disable the Meadow school gate at the end of the school day from September. This will only be used next year in the case of emergencies. At the beginning and end of each day both the Marshall Road and Hallam Road gate will continue to be used and there will be a staff presence at the end of each day, like there has been at the beginning of the day, at the Marshall Road gate. We are informing parents now so appropriate measures and any changes can be arranged before **Thursday 4th September**, the first day of next term.

Walking Home Policy Change 2025-26

We will also be changing our Walking Home Policy from September 2025, which will see ONLY those in the upper school leave the school at the end of the day independently. The only children who will be able to leave the school site at the end of the day in the lower school are those with older siblings in the upper phase of the school, who they leave with each day. Once again, we are informing parents now so any arrangements can be made as early as possible in preparation for September. We thank you for your understanding that making these changes will make routines and practices at GJS even safer for the children here.

Super Attendance!

We have reviewed our attendance data for the summer term and the summer graphic can be found on the school website [here](#). It makes for fantastic viewing and you can see ALL but one class has improved its attendance from last term and the other class has maintained the high level it achieved last term. Our overall attendance continues to be impressive, as does the level of persistent absences. It is great to see over half the children here have enjoyed a 100% summer term! Thank you for supporting the school in truly valuing school attendance. Children can only thrive here if they are present! Let's hope this continues into next term too! Further information is given within our [Attendance Policy](#).

Wellbeing Support That's Out There

At GJS, we know that at any point people might be facing challenges or difficulties in their personal life, within their family or at work. We also know that it can be really hard to reach out and find the support that's out there. With that in mind, we've made a range of information padlets that can be accessed by anyone, at any time and completely anonymously. Within them is a range of guidance, strategies, and agencies that might be of use so please do save the link and spend some time seeing what support is out there, just in case it's ever needed.

Support and guidance for helping children with their mental health

Additional support agencies

If you have any questions then please don't hesitate to contact Miss Coleman, the Wellbeing Lead.

And Finally...

As we near the final days of the academic year, we understand there may be some children outgrowing certain items of their uniform. Whilst we hope that as many children respect our uniform policy up until the final day, particularly those in Year 6 who will be expected to meet the high standards at their new secondary school regarding uniform, we do ask that as a courtesy and to avoid children facing any consequences, that you inform the class teacher, who will always be understanding, regarding any changes. The contact details of ALL teachers can be found on the school website [here](#) and we do ask you contact them directly, just like any other matter.



House Points

Mars	810
Saturn	810
Jupiter	766
Neptune	676



Our Designated Safeguard Lead, Operation Encompass Key Adult and Attendance Lead 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

Thank you to everyone who brought in bottles, books and sweet-filled jam jars over the last couple of weeks. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible tonight at the summer fair.

Those who have ordered tokens should have received them, and cash payment can also be made on all stalls. Unfortunately we won't be taking card payments tonight, including on the BBQ or Bar. Payment can be made with cash or bank transfer to Godalming Junior Parent Teacher Association (sort code 30-99-50, account number 65867168) while at BBQ or Bar. Add now to your banking app to avoid disappointment.

A reminder that access will only be through the Hallam Road gate. We do ask ALL children attending with their parents to not bring any phones or SMART devices as these may be confiscated, and we do ask you support the school by ensuring children do not access our climbing frames or use any school play equipment.

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week

3AR – Pearl
3EC – Alexa
4JS – Milly & Florrie
4NS – Kayden
5NM – Evie
5KW – Evie
6EM – Syd
6SD – Theo



98%

TRUST Values Champions

3AR – Dylan
3EC – Anne-Marie
4JS – Florrie
4NS – Archie
5KW – Maddie
5NM – Warwick
6EM – Harry
6SD – Loretta



Sports News

Waverley District Sports 2025 @ The Spectrum, Guildford

In the hugely demanding conditions yesterday, on a scorcher of a day at The Spectrum, Guildford—GJS performed superbly against other schools at the annual Waverley Schools District Sports event. Our squad of 46 children, with 6 children making their District Sports debut along with Year 3 children experiencing the event for the first time, were an amazing credit to the school. GJS were Year 4 winners, The Boys Winners and overall bronze medalists—an amazing achievement! This truly rounds off a hugely successful year of sport at the school. Thank you to ALL the children that have represented the school this year, the parents for the their support and transport at times and the wonderful staff for arranging all the admin and for entering as many events as we possibly can!



Diary Dates

Summer 2025

July
16th:
22nd:

G-Fest Talent Show
End of Term @ 1.15pm

Inset Days 2025-26

Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Monday 3rd November 2025
Friday 13th February 2026
Monday 13th April 2026
Friday 22nd May 2026