



Godalming Junior School

Newsletter

Autumn 6

9th October 2026

"Confidence means being **bold**, be **brave** and be **unique**"-Izzy Y6

School Dates

Autumn 2026

October

13th: Y3 Stone Age Day
14th: Y6 Boys Football Tournament
14th: PTA Disco
19th - 30th: Half Term

November

2nd: **INSET Day—School Closed**
5th: Individual Photos
7th: Prospective Parent Tour @ 10.00am
9th-13th: 10R—Remembrance Week
9th: Prospective Parent Tour @ 10.45am
10th: Prospective Parent Tour @ 9.00am
11th: Prospective Parent Tour @ 6.00pm
12th: Prospective Parent Tour @ 9.00am
17th: Parent-Teacher Meetings (Late)
19th: Parent-Teacher Meetings (Early)
23rd-26th: Y4 Bikeability (Level 1)
27th: Christmas Fair Mufti - Hamper Goods

December

4th: Christmas Fair Mufti - Bottle Tombola
7th-11th: 10R - Human Rights Week
11th: Christmas Fair Mufti - Jolly Jam Jars
11th: PTA Christmas Fair
14th: Y3 Carols by Candlelight @ 9.15am
15th: Y4 Carols by Candlelight @ 9.15am
16th: Y5 Carols by Candlelight @ 9.15am
17th: Y6 Carols by Candlelight @ 9.15am
18th: Charity Christmas Clothes Mufti Day
18th: End of Term @ 1.30pm

Inset Days 2026-27

➤ **Monday 2nd November 2026**
➤ Friday 12th February 2027
➤ Monday 12th April 2027
➤ Friday 28th May 2027

Latest News

Parking

We would like to remind parents and carers that it is illegal to park on the yellow zig-zags outside the main school entrance during times indicated. Our local PCSO will be making drop-in visits to the school at busy times following repeated incidents.

Year 5 Trip to Tilford Mosque

On Wednesday, Year 5 visited the Mubarak Mosque in Tilford. They listened respectfully as the Iman shared information about the Mosque and the Muslim faith. The Iman was impressed with how much the children already knew, and how they sought to understand more, responding well to what he was sharing. We were so proud of them all and how well they acted as excellent ambassadors of GJS.

Godalming Leisure Centre - Adopt a School Campaign

You may have seen that Godalming Leisure Centre have been running an 'adopt a school' campaign recently in the local area and for October, it is GJS' turn! A flier has been sent home with a QR code embedded so parents and carers can see the offers available to both children and parents. We do ask that as many parents make the most of the offers available for the limited time!

PTA AGM

It was great to see so many attend the PTA AGM on Wednesday evening, and we are pleased to say that we have a new Chair! This role is to be shared between **Ceri Aiken** (Ella's mum in Year 5) and **Rachel Powlesland** (Jack's mum in Year 3). **Oliver Sampson-Bancroft** has agreed to stay on as Treasurer, which is great too! The big news is that there **WILL** be a disco next Wednesday, as originally planned, and details have already gone out to parents.

Our in focus value is: CONFIDENCE

We continue to share examples of confidence, talk about the value and celebrate when we see it in action. Namely, ALL the Year 3 children who took part in our recent inter house 'Chippie Chase' event as the newest members of the school! Izzy in Year 6 has summed up **confidence** brilliantly this week and we continue to encourage 'Home Talks' around our values to further reinforce the school messages. These may occur around the dinner table, on the way to and from school or at weekends. We also encourage parents to praise when children demonstrate examples of confidence outside school!

10R - Healthy Week

It was wonderful see the hall filled with yellow today as we, once again, supported the work of Young Minds by holding our annual mufti day. This week the children have been encouraged to adopt a change to their lifestyle to help them maintain a healthy lifestyle. This could be to engage in more physical activity, a more healthy diet, adopt a technique to find calm in the busyness of life or be kinder to others and ensure relationships are mutually respectful. For more information, support and resources, please visit the Young Minds website [here](#). There are some wonderful ideas here.

House Points

Mars	1880
Saturn	1438
Jupiter	1381
Neptune	1368



Sport News

With football trials well under way and our first successful inter house event in the rear view mirror, our attention turns to the annual cross country event, which this year moves from Glebelands to Broadwater School. Whilst there are more details to follow about the new venue; the event, for ALL year groups, will take place during the afternoon of **Saturday 7th November**.

The upper school girls trials will take place on:

Friday 16th October

Those girls in year 5 and 6 who are interested are to come to school in PE kit on this day.

GJS Pupil of the Week

3EC	Ray
3JA	Rupert
4AR	Tamsin
4KW	Azeem
5BM	Kane
5KR	Anne-Marie
6RH	Louis
6MS	Noah

