



# Newsletter

*"Words are easy, faithful friends are hard to find" - William Shakespeare*

## Latest News



### Welcome Back

Happy New Year to everyone and welcome back to GJS for a new decade 2020. We hope you all had a wonderful, restful and enjoyable Christmas. It is sure to be another exciting and busy term with house competitions, great trips and more 10richment weeks including Hero Week, our second Healthy Week, Book Week, Science Week and Earth Week all happening this term!

### 10richment Hero Week 20th–24th January

Our first 10richment week of the year will be our Hero Week. During the course of the week the children will be asked to research a person they admire most. This could be a person from history, some-one in the public eye, a charity fundraiser or even a member of their family! They will also learn about prominent people in society and history. The children are also asked to come dressed up as a 'Hero' on **Friday 24th January**. There is no charge for this dressing up day.

### GET Teaching

The Godalming Learning Partnership, in partnership with Winchester University, are currently recruiting their 2nd cohort of trainee teachers starting in September 2020. The one year **GET Teaching** training programme provides the perfect combination of immersive classroom experience in our local schools and academic study at Winchester University. Our 7 current trainees are teaching in two of our schools with more training sessions planned throughout the year to ensure they gain invaluable experience in a wide range of settings. To find out more about the course and how to apply visit [www.getteaching.org](http://www.getteaching.org) or arrange to chat it over with Mr Samson by contacting the school office.

### School Value

This half term we will be concentrating on the value of **FRIENDSHIP**. The children will have weekly assemblies encouraging them to reflect on what this value 'looks like'. They will learn about how we all need the ability to be a good friend and what makes a good friend! There will also be follow up sessions in class. We also ask that they are referred to and reinforced at home as well as school. If there is anyone you feel we should be learning about who was or is a model for showing **FRIENDSHIP** then please let us know!

### Clubs

Sign up sheets have been available for the children throughout the week and all clubs will be starting again next week. The teacher led after school clubs will not take place during the week beginning **Monday 9th March** as this week there will be parents evenings. We are once again very proud to be offering over 20 clubs!

### Specsavers Surrey Youth Games Young Ambassador

Waverley are looking for young people (age 7-16years) who have a keen interest in sport to become a Young Ambassador. To apply please complete an online application [form](#). Applications will close on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 with an information evening held on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 for those accepted.

### Music Works

The Music Works is offering a free Drums taster day at Godalming Junior School on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January. Any student who wishes to have a free trial lesson is very welcome to join in, all you have to do is sign up on the Music Works website before the deadline of Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January - [www.themusicworks.co/freelessonmfs](http://www.themusicworks.co/freelessonmfs).

### Godalming Scouts

2nd Godalming are starting a new Scout troupe and are holding an information/recruitment evening on 20th January for parents and children at 7pm at the Bury's Scout & Guide HQ. For more information email [kielstra@f2s.com](mailto:kielstra@f2s.com).

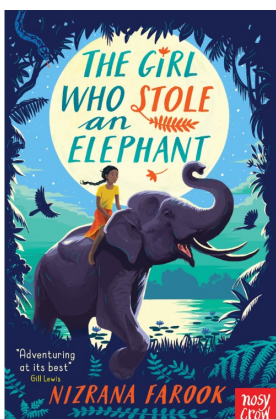
### Surrey Arts

Surrey Arts would like to invite all young musicians to come along and try out some of the local ensembles at their open evening on Wednesday 15th January. Beginners to grade 4 are welcome from 5.15-6.30pm and grade 5+ from 6.45pm to 8.45pm. All rehearsals take place at Tillingbourne school and the open rehearsal and first term is free. For more information contact [Alison.harding@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:Alison.harding@surreycc.gov.uk).

### House Points

Mars	485
Neptune	403
Saturn	395
Jupiter	375

### Waterstones Book of the Month



## PTA News

Happy New Year from the PTA! We are looking forward to an exciting and successful 2020 during which, as always, we will be relying on your help and support. Our next event is the children's Valentines Disco on 13th February - look out for more information via Parentmail and on posters in the playground over the next couple of weeks.

## School Achievement

### Pupil of the Week:

3CM – Riley & Ethan  
 3SD – James & Sebastien  
 4EM – Charlotte  
 4SV – Bella  
 5CH – Sam P  
 5EC – Freya  
 6JP – Noah  
 6RH – Frankie



Pupil  
Awards

Attendance Winners: 3SD & 6RH – 100%

### FORGIVENESS – Values Champions:

3CM – Maisie  
 3SD – Jessica  
 4EM – Tessa  
 4SV – Bonnie  
 5EC – Georgina  
 5CH – Ava  
 6RH – Oscar  
 6JP – Alfie



## Sports News

### Cricket Festival @ Broadwater

On Wednesday, children from Year 3 and 4 represented the school in a cricket festival at Broadwater School. Daniel, Ruby, Abby, Edwen, Jessica, James, Josh, Otto, Murdo, Toby, George, Paige, Heidi, Sam and Megan all played extremely well. They were taught catching, throwing and batting skills and in the game situation, they were hitting huge tallies of over 90 and 100 runs for their teams! Oli, Sam, Max, Alfie, Holly, Amelie, Isla, Chloe, Zac, Matt, Sammy, Noah, Isla, Daisy, Ava and Immy represented Years 5 and 6. They took part in competitive games against other schools and finished victorious in every game! There were exciting moments too, with a wonderful one-handed catch from Oli and big hits from Isla! Well done to all who took part.

### Godalming Schools Swimming Gala – Sat 7th March @ 6pm, Charterhouse Club pool

The Gala is open to girls and boys in Y4, 5 and 6 and in order to take part your child should be able to swim a minimum of 25m on their front and back and be competent in the water. The event consists of some 25m races (front crawl, breaststroke and backstroke) along with a number of fun relays. If there are any Y3 swimmers who swim for a club or have competed in galas before they can be considered for the Y4 team. Please email Claire (Year 6 parent) directly at [alandclaire@btinternet.com](mailto:alandclaire@btinternet.com) no later than Friday 24 January if your child wishes to take part.

### Inter House Football Tournament

Next Friday sees us hold the Inter House Football Tournament. All children must have their PE kits AND House t-shirt, which are available from the school office, in order to play in the tournament. We will let you know how they get on in next week's newsletter!

## Diary Dates

### Spring Term 2020

<b>January</b>	
13th:	Year 5 Planetarium Trip
17th:	Inter House Football Tournament
20th–24th:	HERO WEEK
24th:	Hero Mufti
<b>February</b>	
6th:	Y4 Internet Safety Assembly
7th:	Inter House Chess Tournament
10th–14th:	HEALTHY WEEK – Diet and Nutrition
14th:	<b>INSET DAY</b>
17th–21st:	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>March</b>	
2nd–6th:	BOOK WEEK
4th:	Y6 Netball Tournament @ Tillingbourne
5th:	WORLD BOOK DAY
5th:	Y5 Road Safety Assembly
7th:	Godalming Schools Swimming Gala @ Charterhouse
9th–13th:	SCIENCE WEEK
10th:	Parents Evening (Late)
12th:	Parents Evening (Early)
16th–20th:	TT Rock Festival
20th:	Inter House Basketball Tournament
23rd–27th:	EARTH WEEK
23rd:	Primary Music Festival @ Dorking Halls
26th:	School Photos
<b>April</b>	
2nd:	RE Day – Easter
3rd:	<b>END OF TERM @ 1.15pm</b>



<p><b>Inset Days 2019/20</b></p> <p><del>Wednesday 4th September 2019</del></p> <p><del>Monday 4th November 2019</del></p> <p><b>Friday 14th February 2020</b></p> <p>Monday 20th April 2020</p> <p>Friday 22nd May 2020</p>
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