



Newsletter

We are proudly Supporting



BritishRedCross

'A person's a person, no matter how small' - Dr Seuss

Latest News

Values Champions: RESPECT

Today we celebrated those who have been shining examples of upholding our value of RESPECT this term. Always a tough decision to pick out just one person per class but hearing the testimonies shared is always a delight. Whether it is children showing respect to themselves, to others and even the school site—just goes to show how ALL our values permeate through the school to make it the 'calm and purposeful' place so many visitors and those associated to the school comment on. The champions can be found on the reverse of the newsletter and we now look forward to focusing on the value of

INDEPENDENCE next term as this is a value we expect ALL children to embrace and uphold as we enter the last term of the year and begin to look ahead to beginning a new year and ensuring the children are equipped to deal with the greater expectations on them, whether that is here or whether that is moving on to their new school.

Red Cross Cake Sales

Thank you to everyone who helped make, sell and EAT the wonderful array of cakes, biscuits, cookies and brownies these last few weeks for the school's charity. We made a whopping £480!

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor to join our active and supportive Governing Body. This is a voluntary role, and you will be required to attend three committee meetings per year and three Full Governing Body Meetings. Should you be interested in applying, please contact our Clerk, Tracy-Anne Chapman on clerk@godalming-junior.surrey.sch.uk. More details can be found [here](#) on our website.

Change to Going Home Arrangements

Whilst we understand that people are leading busy lives and situations change, we do insist that you try and prioritize the arrangement that is in place for picking up your child. If there is a change to this arrangement please would you alert the office at the earliest possible time and **before 1.00pm each day**. We do ask that you **telephone** the school office to change any arrangements and rather than leave a message, speak to a person from the school office to be sure the message is received and passed on. There is a growing number of requests coming in very late in the day and this is putting significant pressure on the office staff to ensure these messages are passed on, which can be avoided if the school has as much notice as possible and parents are not leaving voicemails or simply emailing the school. Thank you.

Summer Uniform

As we move into the summer term children may return to school in their smart summer uniform. You can find the school uniform policy [here](#). Please note that though winter uniform is still an option, the children are required to wear a tie IF they are wearing the 'winter' shirt. Please can you inform the school office or your child's teacher if for any reason you are experiencing any uniform issues and ensure all uniform is named. Should you require any additional 'nearly new' uniform, including summer dresses and shorts, please contact the school office as we have stock available in our second hand shop. **Please also note that children must be dressed in full winter uniform on 20th May when their class photographs will be taken.**

Godalming Library

Godalming Library have a variety of different events on during the Easter holidays. Most of these events are also free. Please see the attached leaflet or pop in to the library for any more information.

Godalming Learning Partnership's GET Teaching Programme

Why not GET Teaching with the Godalming Learning Partnership and Winchester University? The Godalming Learning Partnership is a large 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 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.


And Finally...

We would like to wish ALL members of the GJS community a restful, enjoyable and safe Easter break and we look forward to seeing you all again on TUESDAY 16TH APRIL, following our inset day on the 15th.



<u>House Points</u>	
Mars	14196
Saturn	13915
Jupiter	12240
Neptune	11050



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

A huge thank you to all those who attended and helped out at the PTA quiz last Friday. Again another close finish with the reigning quiz champions retaining the crown. The night itself raised £1005 which will go into more IT equipment and help fund experience days. So massive thanks to all those thirsty attendees!

Future Events

Friday 14th June—Parent's Casino Night

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

Friday 12th July—Summer Fair

School Achievement

Writing Transformers

3AR — Marcell
3EC — Theo
4JA — Emily
4RH — Leo
5SD — Daniel
5NM — Adam
6EM — David
6TA — Kai



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

Years 5 & 6 Football Tournament

Well done to all the children who took part in the Year 5 and Year 6 football tournaments at Rodborough yesterday. Once again, the children were a credit to the school with their conduct, fairness and support for each other. Year 6 came out winners of their tournament with Year 5 also performing admirably! Well done to all children. Thank you to Bill for training the children the last few weeks and to Mr MacIver for supporting them!

Kwik Cricket Trials—Friday 19th April

Following the Easter break we will be holding trials for those in Year 5 and 6 for upcoming tournaments in the summer term. ALL children are welcome to sign up, lists are with class teachers, and we are seeking a Year 5 boys team, a Year 6 boys team and a Year 5/6 girls team. Those picked are expected to attend the summer term cricket club after school on **Thursdays** run by Graham Ekins from Farncombe Cricket Club.

Diary Dates

Spring 2024

April

15th:

INSET DAY

16th:

Start of Summer Term

May

6th:

School Closed—Bank Holiday

13th-16th:

SATs Week

15th:

5SD Science Workshop @ Rodborough

20th:

Class Photos

21st:

Lower School Sports Day

22nd:

Upper School Sports Day

24th:

INSET DAY

27th-31st:

Half Term

June

5th:

5SD Science Workshop @ Rodborough



Inset Days 2023/24

~~Friday 1st September 2023~~

~~Monday 30th October 2023~~

~~Friday 9th February 2024~~

Monday 15th April 2024

Friday 24th May 2024