



Newsletter



This year we are supporting



"Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none" - William Shakespeare

Latest News



GJS Partnership with Kathwana Primary School, Kenya

Year 6 have formed a partnership with a school in Kathwana, Kenya! The children donated some books and wrote letters to the children from Kathwana Primary School and they have kindly been delivered by hand by Jenny Martin, a generous school volunteer. This week, Year 6 received this image of the class in Kathwana looking at the scrap book Year 6s have made. The children are hoping to receive a response from the Kenyan children after the half term break. Watch this space!

'Trust' Values Champions

Well done to all the recipients yesterday who were crowned our latest 'Trust Values Champions'. These were children identified by their teachers as those who have embodied the school value of **trust** in class, in the dining room, on the playground, during lessons and on school trips. Once again, there were some beautiful, thoughtful comments given by the teachers and those who were chosen should be very proud to receive such an accolade and be such wonderful ambassadors of the school. The full list of winners can be found on the reverse of the newsletter.

Year 6 First Aid

All of our Year 6s took part in First Aid training this week, provided by the PTA in line with our current 'Mountains and Survival' unit. The children learnt key life skills in these sessions and were praised for their good behaviour and sensible, probing questions. We are very grateful to the PTA and Tracey Bowen for providing such vital learning.

Year 3 Egyptian Day

Year 3 travelled back in time this week to become Ancient Egyptians! As part of their History unit, they spent the day exploring hieroglyphs, learning about what daily life was like and having interesting discussions about how this compares to their own lives. To finish the day off, the children got to see one of their teachers mummify the other before having a go at playing an Ancient Egyptian board game! It's safe to say that children had a fantastic day, looking absolutely superb in their costumes—including a transforming pyramid! Thank you to the children for their enthusiasm and engagement and thank you to parents for helping them prepare such a range of wonderful costumes!

Book Fair Update

Thank you all for your generous purchases at our recent book fair! Because of our wonderful school community, we have earned over £750 in Scholastic Rewards that can now be used to buy more books for our class libraries!

Guide Dog—Fund Race

Well done to ALL the children who participated in our very first 'visually impaired relay race' to raise funds and awareness of the wonderful work the Guide Dogs do to help breed and train dogs. As our official charity partner for this year and following on from our visit earlier in the year from Gillian and her furry friends, the children raised a fantastic £210.10! Thank you again for your generosity and those who also got sponsored for the event too!

FREE Parent Webinars

Please find below details of up-and-coming parent webinars delivered by The Eikon Charity. These are free for all parents and carers in Surrey. Details and sign up links can be found below. Further details can also be found on their website [Parent Webinars - The Eikon Charity](#)
Thursday 6th June 2023 at 12.00-13.00

Supporting your Child with the Transition to Secondary School - for parents of children with SEND Register now by clicking [here](#)
Thursday 22nd June 2023 19.00-20.00

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House Points



Mars	7843
Neptune	7429
Saturn	7366
Jupiter	6429

Inset Days 2023/24

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 30th October 2023
Friday 9th February 2024
Monday 15th April 2024
Friday 24th May 2024



Our Designated
Safeguard Lead is:
Mr Samson—HT

Our Deputy Designated
Safeguard Leads are:
Mrs Wilkinson—SENCo
Mrs Munz—Bursar
Mrs Kirby—HSLW
Mr Maclver—Deputy HT

PTA News

School Sports Day

Huge thank you to those that helped prepare and purchased strawberries at sports day. We raised an impressive total of **£390**, obviously lots of hungry spectators. Big thank you to Tamar Empringham for sourcing the strawberries from Tuesley Farm and for incredible generosity of the farm for donating them. Check out the farms open day here <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/40463>



Future Events— Summer Fair on Friday 14th July.

School Achievement

Pupil of the Week:

3CM—Bertie
3EC—Jonathan
4JL—Ethan
4GS—Harley
5SD—Sebby
5NM—Sia
6EM—Riley
6RH—Seb



Attendance Winners: 6EM— 98.9%



Spring Anti Bullying Stars Champions: 5SD

TRUST Values Champions

3CM—Florence
3EC—Evie
4JL—Jacob
4GS—Oscar
5SD—Indigo
5NM—Jess
6EM—Evie
6RH—Huxley



Sports News

Sports Day 2023

Well done to all the children who took part in our annual Sports Days this week. There was some fantastic flair on show, superb sporting behaviours and of course, some 'friendly' rivalry. With some glorious weather and great crowds, we even witnessed our first ever 3 way tie for first place in a race, never seen before at Godalming Junior School. The overall winners were:

Year 3—**Neptune**
Year 4—**Mars**
Year 5—**Neptune**
Year 6—**Saturn**

Overall Cup Winners: **Neptune**

Year 5/6 Girls Cricket Tournament

There was no time to rest after the sports day on Wednesday as Thursday saw the return of the SW Surrey Kwik Cricket Girls Tournament. Ably coached by Miss Holcombe, the girls—Sadie, Sophie, Amber, Lorelei, Ellie, Ella-Rose, Jazy and Amelia came a very commendable 3rd overall. Well done girls!



Diary Dates

Summer 2023

May	
29th—2nd:	HALF TERM
June	
8th—9th:	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
9th:	DS Team Practice (All year groups)
12th-16th:	International Week
16th:	G-Ashes Cricket Tournament @ Broadwater Park
21st:	Year 3 Haslemere Museum
23rd:	DS Team Practice (All year groups)
30th:	DS Team Practice (All year groups)



Inset Days 2022/23

Friday 26th May 2023