



Newsletter

"Tolerance and compassion are qualities of fearless people" - Paulo Coelho

Latest News

This year we are supporting:

SAMARITANS

GJS M+th\$ DAY

Today has been Maths Day at GJS. The whole school has been captivated by working together with Dr Colorado Smith to solve the 'Riddle of the Sphinx', using various mathematical skills such as converting units of measurement and calculating time. We would like to thank the PTA for funding this fabulous enrichment event once again. Also, a big well done to all children for making such a huge effort on TT Rockstars all week.

Year 5 Space Exhibition

Year 5 held their Space Exhibition this week. They showcased their learning, including them sharing in their groups, the planet they designed. They have been working extremely hard to put together their presentations for families to come in and see. It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and family members in school and to give the children a chance to explain their learning and what they had created in a highly interactive way.

Your PTA Needs You

As Phil Curtis, our current PTA Chair, has shared each week with you, we are still needing a Chair to fill his shoes as we begin making plans for next year. As our Treasurer will also be moving on along with their child from Year 6, we also need to find a replacement for Rhian's role. As you will have read, these roles are pivotal to ensure PTA events happen across the year and crucial funds are raised for the school. Many of the events are pre-set and come with many notes on how they run and timings to begin plans. There are of course others who also help along the way to ensure the role is not too daunting on top of parent's day-to-day responsibilities. Without the roles filled there is a real risk of events not taking place and an even greater risk of losing the momentum that has been built over the years of further engendering the sense of COMMUNITY, which is so strong at GJS. Remember, the role can also be shared...Please contact Phil and Rhian if you want to find out more about the roles, using their details on the reverse of the newsletter!

Book Fair 25th - 31st March

There is still time to visit the Book Fair, which will be open for business again at the end of the day on Friday, and on Monday. At our last book fair, families helped the school to earn £750 worth of new books for our classrooms! See the attached poster for all details and a link to browse the selection.

School Dresses Sale

Next week, the school's stock of second-hand summer dresses will be available in the school office, ready for the change to summer uniform after Easter. These will be sold for £3 each (card payment preferred). Please email ahead if you would like us to check for any other second hand uniform, as this isn't stored in the office.

No Clubs Next Week

As the Spring Term clubs have now come to an end, please remember that there will be **no clubs next week**.

Our 'in focus' Value: TOLERANCE

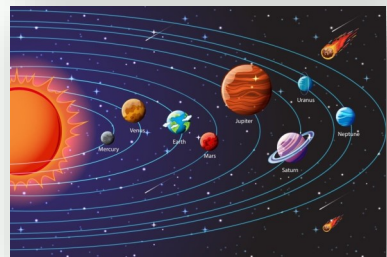
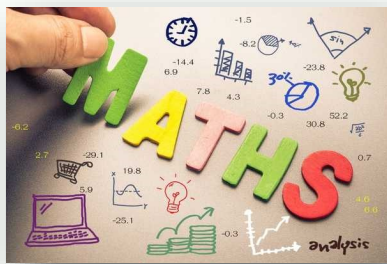
This half term, we continue our focus on the value of TOLERANCE, when the children will learn the importance of this value, what it 'looks like' at GJS, how we try and engender a culture of this value at school and the dangers of intolerance in society. Once again, any 'home talks' you can have with the children on the value is always much appreciated.

KOOSA News

Please click [here](#) for more information on the holiday club that KOOSA will be running at GJS, starting in the Easter holidays. We also continue to provide our Breakfast Club for GJS children in partnership with KOOSA. This is open from 7.45am and is run by GJS staff. A breakfast of cereal, toast and fresh fruit will be provided daily!

Train to Teach in Godalming

There will be a Train to Teach in Godalming information webinar on **Wednesday 30th April**, 7-8pm. If you are interested and would like tickets, please click [here](#).



House Points

Saturn	999
Jupiter	980
Mars	916
Neptune	809



**Our Designated Safeguard Lead,
Operation Encompass Key Adult and Attendance Lead is:
Mr Samson—HT**

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

'It's everyone's business'

PTA News

We are looking forward to seeing who will come out on top at this year's Quiz Night. Will it be 'Quizteam Aguilera' the 'Quizee Rascals' or the 'Agatha Quiz-tea-m'?

URGENT—we are in urgent need of a new Chair and Treasurer to help with the running of the PTA (these roles could be shared between two or three people). Without a Chair or Treasurer we can't function as a charity. If you are interested in getting involved with the PTA, or want to know more details, please reach out to Phil (philipcurtis@hotmail.com) or Rhian (Rhianhooper@hotmail.com) who can give you an overview of what is required.

School Achievement

Pupils of the Week

3AR – Maisie
3EC – Mila
4JS – Pru
4NS – Oliver
5NM – Rhys
5KW – Frank
6EM – Saanvi
6SD – Mimi



98%

HONESTY Values Champions

3AR – Kane
3EC – Rowan
4JS – Wilbur
4NS – Maria
5KW – Ella
5NM – Isobel
6EM – Syd
6SD – George



Sports News

Diary Dates

Spring 2025

March

28th:

April

3rd:

4th:

22nd:

23rd:

24th:

24th:

27th:

28th:

May

1st:

8th:

12th–16th:

13th:

20th:

21st:

Parent's Quiz Night

Easter RE Day

End of Term @ 1.15pm

INSET DAY

Start of Summer Term

Y5 & Y6 Netball Tournament @ Rodborough

Y4 Football Tournament @ Rodborough

The London Marathon

District Sports trials begin

Y5 & Y6 Football Tournament @ Rodborough

80th Anniversary—VE Day

SATs Week

Croquet Club—Taster Session @ Guildford & Godalming Croquet Club

Sports Day (1) - Year 3 am—Year 5 pm

Sports Day (2) - Year 4 am—Year 6 pm

Inset Days 2024-25

~~Monday 2nd September 2024~~

~~Friday 25th October 2024~~

~~Friday 14th February 2025~~

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Friday 23rd May 2025