



# GHS NEWS



Email: [office@greathorwoodschoo.org](mailto:office@greathorwoodschoo.org) Tel: 01296 712622  
Headteacher; Mrs Paula Shaw

10th February 2017

Christian Value  
Respect and Wisdom

'Keep in tune with wisdom and think what it means to have common sense' Proverbs 2:2

'All wisdom comes from God' Proverbs 2:6

## Parent Surveys

Thank you for all the parent surveys that have been returned so far. As a school it is really valuable to be able to have feedback from parents, children and staff and we really appreciate that parents have taken the time to give us their views and input. The results of the parent surveys will be collated over half term and the results sent out next half term.

## Fantastic Friday

The children are enjoying themselves in school today for Fantastic Friday. The theme of the day is 'Helping Hands' are the children are focussing on creative arts. Some of the activities on offer for the children today are mime and drama, sign language and music, pointillism hands and 3D hands. The children will all get a chance to try the different activities throughout the day. Parents are welcome to join us at 2:30pm in the hall when we will gather together and the children will share and perform activities from the day. We will also be awarding our values wristbands and certificates as usual. We hope that you will be able to join us for this worship.

## PTA Fun Run

The PTA will be holding their annual 5k fun run this year on Sunday 5th March at 12pm. This is a 5K road run open to everyone! It would be wonderful to see as many children, parents & grandparents take part in this event as possible. Mrs Shaw will be awarding 10 house points to each Great Horwood Student who takes part. Entry forms were sent home with children yesterday. A copy of the entry form is attached if required.

## Y6 Revision Books

Hopefully by now all of Year 6 should have received their CGP revision books for maths and English. These are for the children to work through at their own leisure ahead of the tests in May. Answers are at the back of the booklets if you want to mark them at home, alternatively you can bring them into school for me to mark. Please don't take any of the practice tests in the books as I will be setting these as homework at a later date. **Miss Biltcliffe**

## NSPCC Sponsored Maths Marathon

Well done to all the children that took part in the ultimate marathon mile in school on Wednesday. So far the total raised for the NSPCC comes to an astonishing £1036 and we are still receiving sponsorship money! We are so proud of our school community for raising such a fantastic amount for such a worthwhile charity. We will update you on the final total after the half term break.

## Sainsburys Vouchers

A reminder that we are now collecting Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers. Please collect and donate your vouchers to the school! There is now a collection box in the foyer area. Vouchers will be spent on exciting equipment for the children to use in school.

## School Meals Ordering

A reminder that you should have received a letter from Chartwells about registering on ParentPay for ordering hot school meals for your child. If you have any questions please contact the office.

## Beachborough Cross Country

On 28th February 24 children for Years 4,5 and 6 will be travelling to Beachborough School to take part in their annual cross country competition. The children will be accompanied by Mr Young but we would really like to be able to take a parent volunteer as well. If you think you would be able to help please let the office know.

House Points	
Barley Hill	1877
Holywell	1880
Wood Pond	1882
Manor	1895

## Multi Academy Trust

Letters have been sent home this week with information about the proposal to convert to academy status and join a multi academy trust. An information meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st March at 6:30pm in the school hall. In order for us to plan we would appreciate if you could return the reply slip indicating if you will be attending the meeting. All the information that has been sent out is also available to view on our website.

## Parking on School End

A polite reminder that School End can get very congested at drop off and pick up times and in order to ensure the safety of children and staff we would ask that you park sensibly and drive carefully when dropping off and collecting children from school. In order to prevent accidents it would be preferable if parents could avoid School End at these busy times and park further away. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Wildlife Workshop

You should have received a letter with details of the Wildlife workshop that has been booked to come into school on 22nd February to provide exciting educational learning sessions for all the children. Thank you to all the parents who have so far paid the £2 voluntary contribution towards the cost of this session. Payments can be made via ParentMail or by sending cash in a named envelope into the school office.

**The following children have been awarded wristbands for consistently demonstrating the core school values this half term. Well done to these children for their commitment and hard work**

### Love

Tayla  
Theo  
Tilly  
Joshua N  
Bodhi

### Perseverance

Sam D  
Poppy G  
Sonny  
Sam L-S  
Tommy

### Respect

Eliza  
Callum  
Liam  
Georgina  
Joshua C

## Half Term Break

A reminder that next week is half term. We hope that you have an enjoyable and restful break. School reopens on Monday 20th February.

SIAMS Outstanding

### Mathematician of the Week

Matthew L  
Jacob L  
Thomas H  
Alastair

### Reader of the Week

Maxi  
Klay  
Finn  
Charlie B

### Writer of the Week

Flinn  
Jessica H (Y6)  
Christopher  
Harry T

### Golden Behaviour Awards

Klay  
Henry  
Sam D  
Tayla

### Outstanding Learner of the Week

Isaac

### Acorns Star of the Week

Maame

### Clean and Tidy Cloakroom Award

Conkers, Year 4 and Year 6

## What's on after half term from Monday 20th February

Morning Club runs every day from 7:45—8:45. After School clubs can be booked as a course via ParentMail or on the day by contacting the office. Sessions are £2.50 per child

### Monday

- School Reopens
- Football Club 3:15-4:15pm

### Tuesday

- 
- Orienteering Club 3:15-4:15pm
  - Film Club 3:15-5:15pm

### Wednesday

- 
- Wildlife Workshop Day
  - Dodgeball Club 3:15-4:15pm

### Thursday

- 
- Handball Club 3:15-4:15pm
  - Art Club 3:15-4:30pm
  - Y5/6 Dance Extravaganza at The Buckingham School

### Friday

- 
- Multi Skills Club 3:15-4:15pm

SIAMS Outstanding