



# GHS NEWS



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## Christian Value

Perseverance and Courage

'Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go' Joshua 1 v9-11

## A Message from Mrs Shaw

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the volunteers who came into school during the summer holidays to improve the school grounds and classrooms. During the holidays we were able to have two classrooms decorated, a new gardening shed put up, a roof replaced on the Acorns shed and the conservation area made fit for purpose so that we can use it for outdoor learning this term. Many thanks go to: Mr and Mrs Price, Mrs Charlton, Mr Biltcliffe (dad), Miss Hatfield, Mr Shaw, Mrs Lumsdaine and Mrs Rogers, not forgetting Mr Revis and his team working in the conservation area, Mr Huskinson, Mr Grass, Mr Spooner and Mr Laird. your hard work and effort in supporting the school is very much appreciated.

## Education City

Teachers are going to start to use Education City for online homework from this week. Your child will be given a letter with their log in details on so please check bags and book bags. Access to Education City is designed for use via a computer. It can also be used on mobile devices and tablets if you use the free browser 'Puffin Academy'. Puffin Academy is a mobile flash browser which enforces site-filtering by only allowing white listed educational websites to be accessed. For more information please visit [www.flashbrowser.com/APN](http://www.flashbrowser.com/APN). If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

## PE Kit and Ear Piercing

A reminder that children require PE kit in school all week. Children will normally have PE on the same days, but at times this does change. Can we also remind you that long hair needs tying back for school and earrings and watches need to be removed for all PE and swimming lessons. Earrings cannot be removed by staff in school and children must cover them with tape for PE lessons during the six weeks healing time. If your child has newly pierced ears please send a note to Mrs Shaw or their class teacher advising of this.

This is in line with Bucks Policy

## Absence

If your child is unwell and will not be attending school please let the office know via phone or email before 9:30am. Please note that in line with Department of Health advice, children must stay off school for 48 hours after any episodes of vomiting or diarrhea.

## School Sport

We are pleased to let you know that following our successes in the summer with school sport we have been awarded the Silver School Games Mark for our commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport during 2015/16. We are aiming for gold next year as we continue to increase participation in curricular, extra curricular and competitive sport. We would be keen to hear from any parents who lead sports clubs outside school who we could establish links with

## Conservation Area Working Party

After the success of the conservation area working party over the summer we are hoping that we can continue this. The Conservation Area working party will be meeting on Saturday 22nd October (weather permitting) if you are available to help please contact the school office or Guy Revis directly on [grevis@greathorwoodschoool.org](mailto:grevis@greathorwoodschoool.org). We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Due to nature of machinery and chemicals being used this will be for adults and children in year 5 and above only

## PTA AGM

You are warmly invited to attend the PTA Annual Review on Wednesday 21st September at 7:30pm in the School Hall. We will be having a few drinks and nibbles to celebrate our fundraising and to talk through last year's events. We are in need of new committee members (and a Chair!) so if you feel that you could spare any time to help raise much needed funds for the school then we would really appreciate your help! Without more committee members the PTA will be unable to run as many events as we have in previous years.

## Murder Mystery Night

We are holding a Murder Mystery Night on Saturday 24th September at 8pm. Join us for an evening of secrets, lies and revenge culminating in murder! Tickets are £25 per person and include a three course meal. There will be a cash bar on the night. **We would really appreciate your support in this event which is being held to raise money to provide wifi for the school which will benefit all children.** For tickets please call 07810552031 or email [agunn@greathorwoodschoool.org](mailto:agunn@greathorwoodschoool.org)

## School Uniform

A polite reminder that uniform, PE kit and any other equipment that comes into school must be clearly named. Any lost property that isn't reclaimed will be recycled.

House Points	
Barley Hill	290
Holywell	283
Wood Pond	288
Manor	359

A reminder that pupils can be nominated for Headteacher Awards by the pupils, staff, parents and members of the village community. Nominations should be made for pupils who have 'made a difference' to others and their own learning by going 'above and beyond' the high expectations of the school. In order to be nominated they should be demonstrating one of the core Christian values of the school—love, perseverance or respect.

<b>Mathematician of the Week</b> Harry T Bridget Alex C Bradley Byron	<b>Reader of the Week</b> Oliver K Emily W Christopher B Tippi William H	<b>Writer of the Week</b> Amelia R Kitty Eliza Phoebe D Amber
<b>Head Teacher Awards</b> Emily B Jack H <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;">   </div>	<b>Well done to the following classes for 100% attendance this week:</b> Acorns Conkers	<b>Golden Certificates</b> Emily W

**Clean and Tidy Cloakroom Award: Hawthorns Y6 and Conkers**

## What's on next week from Monday 19th September

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

- Football Club 3:15-4:15pm
- Beading Club 3:15-4:15pm

### Tuesday

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- Whole School Skipping Day
  - Racquet Club 3:15-4:15pm

### Wednesday

- Fencing Club 3:15-4:15pm

### Thursday

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- Cricket Club 3:15-4:15pm
  - Art Club 3:15-4:30pm

### Friday

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