



# GHS NEWS



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### Christian Value

Perseverance and Peace

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid' John 14:27

## The Planetarium Comes to Great Horwood

This week we were very pleased to be visited by the Planetarium from Science Oxford to teach the children about stars and the night sky. Some of the children from our Y5 class have written more about the visit:

First the man doing it told us a story about Greek gods and how they all have their own stars. Some of the stars have names used in Harry Potter. The man made the star images move around us so it made us feel like we were there. It also represents how the stars move around throughout the day and night. We also learnt that stars are different colours depending on their age. Blue is young, white is middle aged and red is old. He told us that the North or Pole Star always stays in the same place. All the stars are in patterns called constellations. Right at the end the man showed us the sun too. We really enjoyed learning more about stars and the sky. **Hollie, Jack R, Thomas Y, Amelia, Dillon, Alastair, Oliver K, Nigel, Kirsty, Harry T, Toby Y5**

## Christmas

We will be sending a letter out at the beginning of next week with details of all our plans for events during the Christmas season. It will be a busy and exciting time in school and we hope that parents will join us for as many of the events as possible. We specifically need parent volunteers to come in and help at our Creating Christmas Day on 2nd December. There will be a reply slip to return with the letter next week so please return this if you are able to help.

## Building Work

We are going to be having some building work completed in school, starting on Monday 28th November. This will be in the entrance hall area and so they may be some times where the entrance hall and offices are inaccessible. Please call the school office or email if possible. We would also be grateful if you could avoid parking in School End in order for the contractors to be able to have access. Thank you for your understanding.

## Children in Need Day

Well done to all the children for taking part in Children in Need day today. The school has turned spotty with many children and staff embracing the spotacular theme! Thank you to children for their donations to Children In Need. So far we have raised over £100 for Children in Need with money still being counted. We will let you know the final total next week.

## Muddy Shoes and Winter Weather

As the weather seems to be more autumnal this week can you please ensure that your child attends school with a coat every day. Children will continue to have PE outside every week and so will require extra layers for PE lessons. If your child is prone to getting muddy at break times then please provide them with a pair of trainers to change into at these times. If class teachers are going to take your child to the conservation area then they will let you know so that your child can bring in their Wellington boots.

## PTA Panto

It's behind you! There are just 4 tickets left for our nearly sold out performance of The Magic Castle taking place in Great Horwood Village Hall on Saturday 26th November. If you would like tickets please contact [greathorwoodpta@gmail.com](mailto:greathorwoodpta@gmail.com) or see Lynn Essam in the playground.

## Curriculum

### Afternoon Changes

Please note that Y4 and Y6's curriculum afternoons have swapped over. Y4 will be 22nd November and Y6 will be on 23rd November.

## Illness Policy

A reminder that children need to remain off school for 48 hours after the last incidence of diarrhoea or vomiting. This is an important rule to prevent sickness bugs spreading to other children and staff. This is in line with Public Health England guidelines. If your child has another type of illness please contact the office for guidance on how long they should be off school. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

House Points	
Barley Hill	1234
Holywell	1238
Wood Pond	1283
Manor	1206

Mathematician of the Week	Reader of the Week	Writer of the Week
Tommy Jacob S Lily M Kayne Sammy Will T Ella C	Flinn Hollie Henry Bridget Joshua C Charlie E	Tilly Tamzin Bodhi Tayla Poppy Sam L-S

Head Teachers Awards	Golden Certificates			Outstanding Learner of the Week
Charlie E Maxi Ella C Tilly Owen	Connie Matthew Kaitlyn Amy William H Amber Olivia Emily W Lucy F	Tilly Bridget Kitty Alex C (Y6) Ryan Trinity Owen Thomas H Liam	Amelie Ella C Jessica Finn S Bethan Eden Alastair Maisie Joshua C	Toby L
				Acorns Star of the Week  Sophia K

## What's on next week from Monday 21st November

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

- Racquet Club 3:15-4:15pm
- Y4 Curriculum Afternoon 2:30pm

### Wednesday

- Fencing Club 3:15-4:15pm
- Y6 Curriculum Afternoon 2:30pm

### Thursday

- Tag Rugby Club 3:15-4:15pm
- Art Club 3:15-4:30pm

### Friday

- PTA Non Uniform Day
- Multi Skills Club 3:15-4:15pm

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