



# Newsletter

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## **MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS**

# Success In the Year 5 + 6 Dodgeball Tournament

Our Year 6 team was magnificent in the first Guildford Schools Dodgeball Tournament at the Spectrum yesterday. Dodgeball is a very fast-paced game — matches only last 2 minutes! To play, you need to always be agile and alert. There are 7 members in a team, and the aim is to try and get the opponents out while avoiding getting out yourself. You can get the other team out by throwing the ball at them and hitting them or by catching a ball thrown at your team. The best score you can achieve is 7-0, meaning all your players are still in, and you have gotten all the players in the opposing team out.

Sandfield played 12 games, winning 10 of them, and they achieved a 7-0 score against 3 other schools! As a team, they communicated well and had clear tactics on how to win. Our Year 3 & 4 dodgeball team will play later in January, and we will be using our Year 6 team to train them.

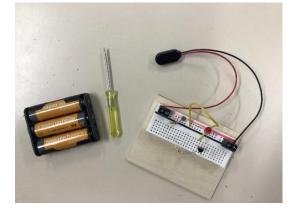


## **Working in Collaboration with RGS**

We are very grateful to Justin Kelly from the RGS Design and Technology department. He has kindly loaned electronic equipment to our Year 5 and 6 students for their latest unit, where they are using motors and light sensors to make a moving toy. The children thoroughly enjoyed this unit of work, designing and creating a moving toy activated by a light







Have a great weekend everyone

Mrs Collins and all the Sandfield staff

# **CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**

Children in Celebration Assembly today were:

Reception Class: Prahathi and Leo Year 1: Mohammed and Salome

Year 2: Rex and Ella Year 3: Olive and Max Year 4: Mia and Luca CJ Year 5: Zainab and Lucas Year 6: Samuel and Barnaby



# **NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS**

# **Reception Class**

We travelled north this week to the North pole to meet some of the animals and people who live there, including the Inuit. We discovered the way animals in the North pole adapt to their environment. In art, the children carefully followed step-by-step instructions to create polar bear portraits using oil pastels and chalk. They explored skills such as sketching, smudging, blending and shading.

# PE day for Reception Class is Monday





#### Year 1 & Year 2

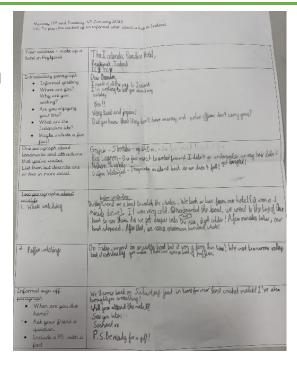
Year 1 and Year 2 have been learning more about adjectives to describe characters in the text they are studying for English (Izzy Gizmo). They have been developing their language skills and extending their sentences to interest the reader. You could ask your child to describe something at home and see what they say! In RE we have been learning about Islam and what Muslim families do.

PE days for Year 1 & Year 2 are Mondays and Wednesdays

#### Year 3 & Year 4

Year 3 and Year 4 have been learning all about Iceland, including its landmarks and wildlife. The children very much enjoyed this! They were extremely surprised when they found out that an Icelandic Horse cannot return to Iceland once it leaves the country! This week they have started planning an informal letter to a friend telling them all about Iceland and what it has to offer.

PE days for Year 3 & Year 4 are Tuesdays & Thursdays





#### Year 5 & Year 6

It has been exciting being able to use electronic equipment and a real challenge to carefully follow step by step instructions. So far, we have used a bread board and made a circuit to light a bulb and a buzzer. We have learnt new components such as transistors and LDRs. Next lesson, we will start the final stage of creating a jitterbug moving toy!

PE days for Year 5 & Year 6 are Thursdays and Friday

# **PTA NEWS**

# Hello everyone! 🗱

It's that time of year for a little spring cleaning! 

Just a quick reminder that we'll be holding a clothes drive on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025.

Please bring your items for recycling or donation in bin bags, and if you're donating uniforms, please pack them in a separate bag and drop them off in the Learning Lab at Drop Off ONLY. Remember, for every kilo you donate, we earn money for the PTA!

Here's a list of what we're collecting:

- ✓ Clothes
- Paired shoes
- ✓ Handbags
- ✓ Hats, scarves, and ties
- ✓ Bras and jewellery
- ✓ Socks

Please note, we're NOT accepting:

- X Duvets, blankets, pillows, cushions
- X Carpets, rugs, or mats
- X Soiled, painted, ripped, or wet clothing
- X School uniforms (with or without logos)
- X Corporate clothing or workwear
- X Textile offcuts, yarns, or threaded material
- X Furniture or large items
- **X** Batteries

Also, don't forget we'll be holding a Uniform Swap on Thursday, 23rd during pick-up! Feel free to bring any school uniforms you'd like to exchange. 🍸 🖀

Thank you so much for your support! Let's make this drive a success!

Thanks!

Charlotte

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Yoga at Sandfield – Wednesdays 7.30pm - 8.45pm: Deeply relaxing, mindful classes - reduce stress & rediscover your natural ease & vitality. All abilities welcome - you do not have to be slim, fit or flexible to join a class. Sandfield staff & parents can try a class for £7. Booking essential - See breathecalm.org or contact amy@breathecalm.org for more details

## **Lunar New Year Market**

Hello everyone 大家好!

Guildford Hongkongers Lunar New Year Market is back! We are hosting the market on 8th February, 2025 at the Guildford Cathedral. This is the 11th day of the LNY to celebrate this festive moment with the Guildford community.

Tickets are available via Eventbrite. https://guildfordhkerslnymarket2025.eventbrite.com/ Facebook event link and GHK social media for updates & more events Facebook & Instagram

This year we have over 60 stalls and various performing parties, including Hong Kong-style food, arts & crafts, service providers, and more! There will also be performances and activities throughout the day. We have listened to your feedback and extended the opening time. To make sure everyone can enter the market without prolonged waiting outside, tickets are mandatory for admission. Ticket holders can enter the market at the assigned time slot presenting the electronic ticket.

So mark your calendars and celebrate the Lunar New Year at Guildford Cathedral!

Date: 8th February, 2025 (Saturday), Time: 10 AM to 5 PM, Opening ceremony & Lion Dance: 10:15 AM Last entry: 4:30 PM, Location: Guildford Cathedral, GU2 7UP, Peak hour entry: £1.5+ Ticketing platform fee Off-Peak: £1+ Ticketing platform fee, One child under 12 can enter for free with each ticket holding adult Online Purchase only - No walk-in or ticket at the door

Guildford Hongkongers喺度同大家拜個早年!GHK將會於年十一(2月8日)舉辦元宵市集,齊齊與僑福社區慶祝新年!

今次市集有超過60個攤檔及不同的表演單位,包括港式美食、手工藝、服飾和服務供應商等等。仲有精彩的表演及活動環節,保證令你目不暇給!

我們聽取了大家的意見,今年會延長了開放時間。為避免排隊等候入場時間過長,所有參加者必須憑票入場。 持票人士只需出示電子門票,即可於指定時段直接入場。

門票於Eventbrite平台公開發售,大家一齊參加元宵市集歡度新年!

日期:2025年2月8日(星期六)

時間:10 AM - 5 PM

開幕儀式及舞獅表演: 10:15 AM

最後入場: 4:30 PM

地點:僑褔座堂 Guildford Cathedral, GU2 7UP

繁忙時段門票:£1.5 + 平台費用

非繁忙時段門票:£1+平台費用

持門票成人可免費帶同一名12歲以下兒童入場

只限網上售票-現場不設售票處或Walk-in入場