

Godwin Newsletter 6th July 2016

Thursday 7th July and Friday 8th July

Thursday 7th July – School closed for Eid-ul-Fitr as planned
Friday 8th July – School closed to pupils for teacher INSET day

‘SCRATCH LEAGUE COMPETITION’

On Friday 1st July, six children were chosen to enter the ‘Scratch League Competition’ at Kaizen Primary School.

We had to create a maze with 3 levels that highlighted the key points of living in Newham. We decided to make a maze that took into account the current events about David Cameron leaving 10 Downing Street and looking for a new place to live in Newham. We found the coding quite hard to do but we collaborated well as a team. Even though we didn’t win, the judges were very impressed with our presentation.



By Sudais, Leon, Hassan, Elijah, Ayden and Deevan

Class Photographs

If you would like to order a copy of your child’s class photograph please ensure your order is received in the school office by 9.00am on Wednesday 13th July.

Any orders received after this deadline will incur the £4.00 surcharge and will not be returned until September.

If you have any queries please speak to Mrs Marchant in the school office.



The Wizard of Oz



Wednesday 13th July at 6.00pm
Thursday 14th July at 6.00pm

Adults - £2.00
Children £1.50



Tickets are still available for the year 6 performance from the school office.
(Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult).

Godwin Raffle



Tickets - £1.00 for a strip of 5 tickets

Lots of prizes including theatre tickets, London Eye trip, shopping vouchers and much more!



Tickets available from the school office from Monday 11th July.
Raffle draw will be at the Community Picnic.

Sports Day

Monday 11th July

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit to wear and brings a bottle of water.

Dress Up Day

Tuesday 12th July

Dress up to raise funds for Great Ormond Street Hospital
£1.00 donation to dress looking –

Gorgeous, **O**pulent, **S**mart or **H**andsome



LIBRARY COMPETITION

We have entered a competition run by National Book Tokens to win £5000 of books for our school library.

To help us in our bid to win we need YOU to go online and nominate Godwin Junior.

Go to http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools#.V3y_lbdTG1s



Debate Mate News

The debating team recently competed in the national Debate Mate Cup Final at the Oxford Union. After a tour of the impressive University, the debate began. In the first round we opposed the motion, 'The House would ban child actors'. Our team of four started the competition strongly and the judges announced that we had won. Our second motion was 'This House would ban songs with violent lyrics', which we were opposing against our arch rivals and the only team in the country to have ever beaten us, Plymouth Grove from Manchester.

Both teams spoke confidently to get their points through during the fierce debate and were equally strong. As we waited for the results the atmosphere was tense and our hearts were thumping...we had made it into the final! The motion for our last debate was 'This house would abolish SATS', an issue we all had an opinion on and had previously discussed in class! After an intense half an hour the judges left the room to agree which team had been the most convincing. We couldn't believe it when we heard that we had won and were the best debating team in the country. The whole team felt proud and that it would be a day to remember.

By Hrydai

Yesterday the debating team took part in another competition. The first motion was 'This House would not allow parents to educate their children at home'. This was a difficult topic to oppose and the debate was a close one. We carried on the competition proposing the second motion, 'This House would put a tax on sugary food'. The results weren't shared but we felt like we had done a pretty good job. After lunch the judges announced which lucky schools had made the finals...and we were one of them. After a well-presented debate, with us proposing the motion 'This House would have allowed children aged 12 and above to have voted in the EU referendum', the result was declared; Godwin were the winners of the English Speaking Union's London Primary Debating Cup.

By Riya and Verity

Godwin Sleep In

On Friday at 6pm 19 Year 6 children and 6 staff came back to school to have a sleep in and learn about rough sleepers. Kath from The Connection at St Martin's came to talk to us about the causes of homelessness and the effect that it has on people's lives. She also shared how charities such as the one she works for can help homeless people rebuild their lives. Her knowledge was inspiring.

For dinner we ate tomato soup and bread rolls, kindly donated by Poormina, the manager at the Co-op, and Percy Ingles. This reminded us that homeless people don't get a choice about what they eat and might rely on a soup kitchen.

We then learnt some facts about homelessness. Did you know that the average life expectancy for a homeless person is only 47? This shocked us.

Hopefully we will never know what it is like to be a rough sleeper but the Big Godwin Sleep In made us all think about not judging people and also raised money to help charities which work with homeless people.



By Yasmin, Gabby & Ruby



Godwin Community

Picnic

Friday 15th July

5.00pm – 7.30pm

Help needed.....

- **Donate nearly new books**
- **Make cakes/samosas**
- **Donate a raffle prize**
- **Hire a stall for £10**

If you can help please speak to Ms Brown or a member of our office staff.

Come along next Friday to enjoy a relaxing time with others of the Godwin Community. Bring some food to share, watch the 5 Aside Football finals & browse the stalls.

