

## World Children's Day Edition

In celebration of World Children's Day much of this week's newsletter is brought to you by members of our School Council.

We hope you enjoy their contributions!



## Children in Need

Thank you to all who wore a bandana for the day last Friday. Together we raised a marvellous £365.00 for Children in Need.



## Lining Up Cup

This week's Lining Up Cup winners are:

3K, 3D, 5T and 5M.

Congratulations to all these classes!



## Attendance

Last week's attendance percentage across the whole school was 94%.

This is just over a 1% rise on the previous week but is still well below our target attendance of 97%.

Please help us to improve on this percentage by ensuring that your child attends school regularly.



## Get Caught Reading Competition

This week's Get Caught Reading Competition winner is Harper 3K whose prize is a book of their choice!



UNCRC Article 29: Every Child has the right to an education which develops their talents.

## Music at the Woodgrange Market



27th Nov – 2.00pm Xine - Opera Singer

11th Dec – 1.00pm King Toad Fish

**Come and join us all for some amazing entertainment.**

## Achievement Awards

3D – Maheen for collaborating well with his learning partner.

3K – Nameer for being a curious learner and trying to work independently.

3M – Ahnaf for persevering to add using the column method.

3Q – Braccha for always persevering in her learning.

4I – Sayan for continuously persevering with his learning and trying his best.

4K – Iggy for persevering and consistently putting effort into his learning.

4M – Haajar for showcasing all her learning powers in all her lessons and at home.

4V – Shehreen for evaluating her writing and editing it to a high standard.

5J – Maria for always being willing to share her understanding and reasoning.

5M – Nusayb for his perseverance with improving his handwriting.

5T – Vincentas for considering his choices.

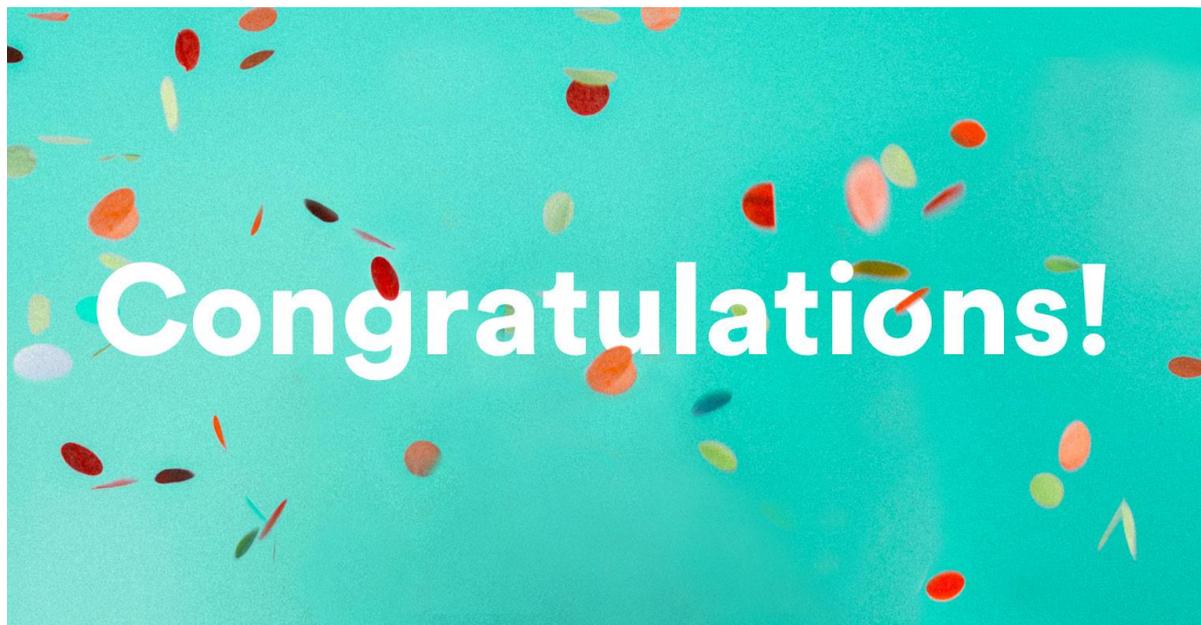
5Y – Muneeb for explaining his reasoning clearly.

6B – Michelle for superb explanations and examples of adverbials and ENPs.

6C – Christos for collaborating well with his peers and ensuring they were all playing sensibly during a hockey match.

6W – Azizul for persevering with his editing to improve his writing.

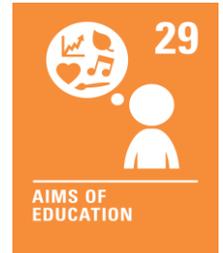
6Z – Maryam for collaborating with her classmates in English on World War One.



## Hot Chocolate Friday

### Digbijoy reminds us about.....the return of HOT CHOCOLATE!

Today some children of Godwin got hot chocolate. Please remember to bring in £1 every Friday if you want hot chocolate.  
All money raised goes towards educational visits.



## Coats

### Mariam Reminds us about.....Coats

Everyone should bring a coat or jacket to school because it is winter. It is freezing cold outside. If children don't have a coat then they will probably start to get ill. Also if they don't have a coat they will be sent back to their teacher.



Thank you.



## The new school playground

Everyone in the school likes the new features of the school playground. It is much better as there are more things to do. The large basketball mat means if you fall over, you won't hurt yourself. Plus, we have three new basketball hoops and new painted floor games to give us a fun time during lunch and break.



By Stanley Russell 3Q





# 'Bags of Joy' Community Pick-up

Join in this collaboration between Godwin Junior School and St. Mark's Church to bring Joy to those within our community.

Please donate items from the list below and St. Mark's will be match donating every donation.

- **Coffee Sachets**
- **Hot Chocolate Sachets**
- **Christmas Confectionary**  
(eg: candy canes, choc orange, choc coins, tube of sweets / choc)
- **Savoury Snacks**  
(eg: crisp, cheese biscuits)
- **Mince Pies**
- **Christmas Cake bars**
- **Biscuits**

Donate items in the pink bins at:  
**St Mark's Church, Lorne Road**  
**Godwin Junior School, Cranmer Road**  
(Donations by Wednesday 8th December please)

The items will then be made up into 'Bags of Joy' which will be available to be picked-up at different pick-up points within the community on Saturday 11th December, 11.00am.

**St.  
Mark's**  
Forest Gate



For more info, get in touch:  
Beth (Parish Worker at St Mark's Forest Gate)  
[beth.yates@stmarksforestgate.org.uk](mailto:beth.yates@stmarksforestgate.org.uk)  
**07741668495**

## Anti-bullying

Two weeks ago it was anti-bullying week and the children learnt about scenarios of what to do if you were getting bullied or saw someone else getting bullied.



The theme of this year's anti-bullying is:  
**ONE KIND WORD!**

What kind words can you think of?

By Digbijoy, 6W



Bullying is a horrible thing in life. There can be cyberbullying online too. If you see anyone being bullied tell an adult and they will take care of it. If it is bullying, then you will know if it is bullying because bullying is only when it happens lots of times and upsets people. If you're being bullied don't think of bad things think of positive and happy thoughts. Bystanders can be helpful and not helpful. Bystanders are sometimes people who cheer on the bully which some people are really ashamed here in Godwin Junior School we do not accept bullying, because it is not kind and upsetting for people who are being bullied in our community. If you're the bully and you did something bad to a person then apologize to that person and be kind. Even if it was a small thing, it could hurt others feelings, please apologise.

By Lucy 3M

I would like to be talking about bullying, bullying is really bad. If someone in this school ever bullies you, you should:

Tell a teacher they will sort it out

- Tell the bully to stop because it hurts your feelings
  - Walk away and ignore

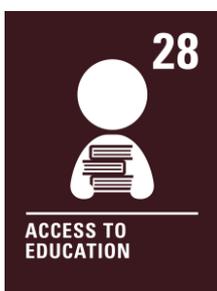
And lots more other ways

In Godwin Junior School we should not be bullying or doing anything rude in the playground. We should especially not be mean and upsetting our peers.

By Aisha Islam, 5Y

Last week we listened to an anti - bullying workshop and it told us what bullying looks like. It showed really good examples. I hope no one is bullying anyone, especially at school. It does not matter where you are, it matters if you are not bullying. Bullying is rude and it hurts people's feelings. Everyone has the right to be treated fairly. If you ever get bullied tell an adult.

By Mariam, 5M



## Climate Change

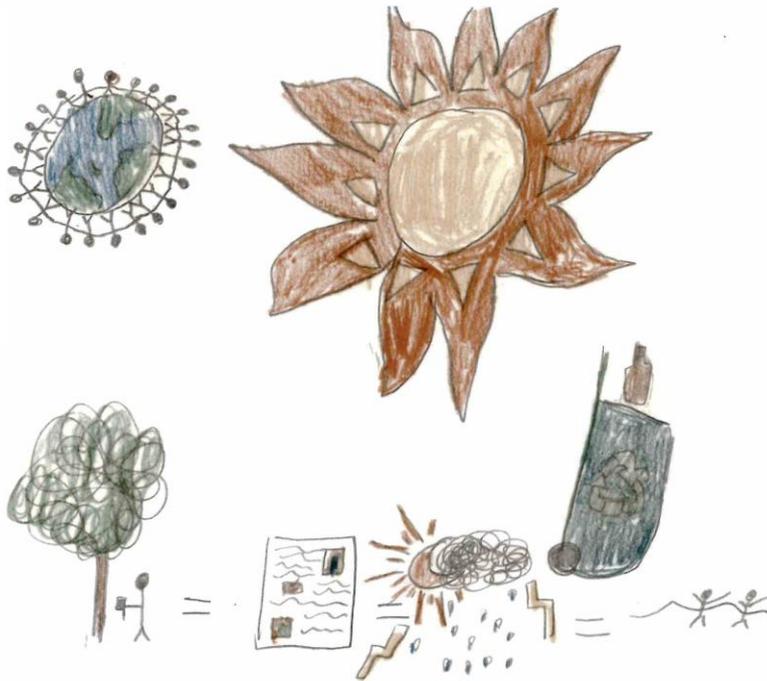
Did you know that if 1.5 billion cows fart it will give too much methane to the earth?

That's not funny because it creates climate change and climate change is one of the most important things in the world.

The climate has got 1°C warmer over 100 years. The earth has a blanket of gases and that can make more wild fires. Wild fires can kill a lot of animals and burn so many trees. That can mean more CO<sub>2</sub> can pollute the air and harm more animals than we do. That also means that the ice can melt and that's not only bad for animals but it's bad for us because the sea levels can rise and flood.

Burning fossil fuels is one of the worst things you could do.  
Deforestation is bad reforestation is the opposite.

There are ways to help, you could drive less, bike more, walk more and turn off the lights when you aren't using them.





# GODWIN JUNIOR SCHOOL

By Amelia, 4V



## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Achievement Awards
- Godwin Star
- Class Champion
- School Councillors
- Lining Up Point

## IN THE CLASSROOM

- Teachers to teach
- TA's to help
- Equipment
- Independent/Collaborative work

## SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

- Football Pitch
- Basketball Pitch
- Climbing Frame
- Tyres
- Floor activities
- Connect Four
- Table Tennis

## SUBJECTS

- English
- Maths
- Science
- History
- Geography
- Art/DT
- French
- PE
- TC
- Grammar
- Music
- Swimming
- Gardening
- Computing

## SAFETY

- Soft football pitch if fall/hurt
- Teacher near tyres if hurt
- Teacher near climbing frame if hurt
- Teacher round checking

## HOMEWORK

- Spellings
- Time Table Rock
- Stars/TTRS
- Mathletics
- Reading/Reading Journal & Library Book

Thank you . I hope you enjoyed my presentation 😊

# OUR WELLBEING

## WHAT IS WELLBEING?

Wellbeing is when you feel happy and you and your body are healthy. You might like to go outside or get creative to improve your wellbeing.



*I did this self portrait when I was feeling down and it made me feel much happier.*

## 6 Top Tips to improve your wellbeing

1. Get creative! I like to express myself with drawing and painting.
2. To get yourself off a problem you could learn something new.
3. Be active and go outside and play.
4. Keep healthy! Eat nice food and don't forget the salad...
5. Find ways to relax, try to keep calm and listen to nature
6. Connect with others! If something is wrong you can always tell someone you trust. It will make you feel better when you are upset.

Hi  
Personally when I feel sad or upset I like to paint or sing. That always makes me feel better and happier. If you are down I think it is also a nice idea to read a book that makes you think about it and you get into a new world which gets your mind of your worries. I hope it makes you feel better too

Ella (41)

# WELLBEING MATTERS

**By Maryam and Yusra, 6Z**

Wellbeing matters,  
You should really care.

Go out in nature,  
Make sure you don't bump into a bear.

Wellbeing matters,  
You should really care.

Don't stay stuck to your chair,  
Go out and meet a friendly hare.

Wellbeing matters.

Don't always stay inside,  
Go out and have a lively time

Go ahead and feel the fresh breeze  
Right outside

Wellbeing matters,  
You really should care

It affects your state of mind as well as your body  
But don't worry because most of us have been there.

The word 'Wellbeing' is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Each letter is a different color: 'W' is pink, 'e' is red, 'l' is orange, 'l' is yellow, 'b' is light green, 'e' is green, 'i' is blue, and 'ng' is purple. The letters have a slight 3D effect with shadows.

## Why I like being a school councillor

I like being a school councillor because I can help make the school a better place for everyone. I really wanted to be one and I tried in year 3 but didn't get it.

I didn't give up and wrote my manifesto about why I wanted to be one. I wrote about how we could put more indoor plants, have a teacher appreciation day, have more trips outside and even just make the building more colourful. Because so many people liked my manifesto, I got elected and then I had my first meeting. I love being a school councillor because I can make the school a better place for everyone.



By Lilly, 4M



## Online Safety Workshop

As part of our ongoing commitment to working in partnership with families to keep our children as safe as possible, we are delighted to be running an 'Online Safety at Home' workshop for parents and carers on Weds 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021 at 3:45pm in the sports hall.

As part of this session we will be going through measures which you can implement at home such as setting security controls, so please do bring your device with you if you would like to.

Please use this link to watch a previously recorded Online Safety workshop we ran last year:

<https://youtu.be/bxaGe6wj5xY>

We hope to see you then!



## Book Wish List

We know how important reading is to children's development. Enhancing our selection of books and creating a library that our children can be proud of is a labour of love for us. Our aim is for all of our pupils to see themselves reflected and celebrated in the texts we choose, with stories and non-fiction to interest everyone.

However, school budgets often mean we are unable to buy all of the books we'd like.

If you are able to support the school's vision statements of Valuing Everyone and Instilling a Love of Learning, you can buy books from our wishlist here: [https://www.anewchapterbooks.com/shop?Wishlists+\(All+Schools\)=Godwin+Junior+School](https://www.anewchapterbooks.com/shop?Wishlists+(All+Schools)=Godwin+Junior+School)

Acts of kindness such as this make a huge difference and enable us to provide our pupils with the resources and opportunities they deserve.



## Mindfulness Corner

This week we feature:  
**YOUNG MINDS**

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>



**"Never give up on the things that make you smile."**

Heath Ledger

(Please Note: we are not endorsing any particular site nor are we ambassadors for it - but we are merely providing pointers towards sites that might be interesting/helpful).

Article 12



Sofia KFD

By Sofia 4I



## Local Authority Survey

Every year the LA conducts a childcare survey to help us find out about childcare needs in the borough so that we can plan services that will work for families. Parents needs and preferences will be of interest to you too and we will share the results of the survey with all providers. We would like providers to help us by asking as many parents as possible to complete the online childcare survey.

The survey is aimed at all parents/carers of children aged 0-14 years.

**Newham's annual parent childcare survey is now live**

at: <http://www.newham.gov.uk/childcareparentsurvey2021> and is open until **Friday 3 December**. It only takes around 10 minutes to complete.

Everyone that completes the online survey will be entered into a free prize draw to be in with a chance of winning £100 of shopping vouchers. A winner will be chosen at random after the closing date.

## **Covid-19**

I'm sure that you will have heard in the news today that scientists have identified a new variant of Covid-19. It is imperative that we all follow government guidelines as a minimum.

Please see:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

for the latest information on what you need to do if some-one in your household has symptoms.

Part of the current guidance is below (this is subject to updates):

Even if you are vaccinated, you can still be infected with COVID-19 and pass it on to others. If you are identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 but you are not required to self-isolate, you can help protect others by following the [guidance on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread](#).

As well as getting a PCR test, you should:

- limit close contact with other people outside your household, especially in crowded or enclosed spaces – consider taking an LFD test beforehand if you do need to be in close contact with others
- wear a face covering in enclosed spaces and where you are unable to maintain social distancing
- limit contact with anyone who has an underlying health condition that puts them at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19 – consider taking an LFD test beforehand if you do need to meet with them

This advice applies while the person in your household with COVID-19 is self-isolating.

Taking an LFD test before meeting with others can help to identify whether you are infectious with COVID-19. If your LFD test result is negative, it is likely that you were not infectious at the time the test was taken. However, you should continue to follow the advice above as it is still possible that you are infected with COVID-19.





# FESTIVE FAMILY FUN RUN

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 9:30am-11:30am**

**Run Begins at 10am**

**Venue: Newham Leisure Centre, Prince Regent Lane, E13 8SD**

**All ages and abilities welcome**

**Walk, jog, or run up to 5k around the track and have fun with family and friends**

**All Runners Receive a Medal**

**PRIZE FOR THE BEST FESTIVE COSTUME**

#### CONTACT/ BOOKING INFORMATION

[Sports@activeNewham.org.uk](mailto:Sports@activeNewham.org.uk)

07741 292 893

Adults £4 (age 16+) Children run FREE

To Book - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/festive-family-fun-run-tickets-209212118077>

