

Godwin Newsletter 20th December 2019



Head Teacher's Message

It's been a busy and productive term ending with our talented children demonstrating their confidence at this week's assemblies.

Thank you so much to those of you who were able to come and watch – the children loved performing for you.

Our Years 5 & 6 chess team recently took part in a London-wide chess competition and were very highly placed – congratulations to them for applying the strategies they have learned from an expert in school.

In Years 3 & 4, ukulele lessons have given the children the opportunity to learn to play an instrument under the guidance of a specialist tutor – something which we feel is crucial in children discovering and pursuing their talents. We are planning for them to show you their progress in the spring term.

Our debating teams have begun preparing for competitions in the New Year and our choir have represented the school at different events. We hope to attract new members next term to make the ensemble even stronger.

Our partnership with you continues to grow. Our Parent/Carer Conferences were well attended and productive. Thank you again to those who helped at our 'Big Dig' event and to those who came to our workshops this term on Online Safety, Reading and Maths. We plan to have more sessions next term

A final 'thank you' to the Friends of Godwin for planning and running such a successful Winter Fayre. We are all aware of the financial strain schools are under and your fundraising efforts have already made a huge difference to our ability to provide enrichment activities – including history workshops and subsidising educational visits.

As part of our vision for creating responsible global citizens our children have been responsible for organising and taking part in a number of charity events including for a local foodbank, a children's mental health charity, the homeless charity 'Centrepont' and 'Children In Need'.

This links to Article 2 of the UNCRC – all children have rights.

Our pupils have also been at the forefront of a pioneering programme to reduce air pollution around Newham schools – promoting the importance of Article 24 – all children have the right to clean air.

Finally, we wish you all a relaxing and peaceful Christmas and New Year. We will see you again on Tuesday 7th January.

Winter Fayre

Special thanks to the members of the Friends of Godwin PTA for all their efforts at this year's Winter Fayre.

Thank you to all who supported the event by - donating goods, buying raffle tickets or attending the fayre.

We will bring you the amount raised in the New Year!



Christmas Holiday

TODAY is the last day of term.

School will be closed from Monday 23rd December to Monday 6th January 2020.

School resumes for pupils on Tuesday 7th January 2020.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all who celebrate Christmas a very happy and peaceful celebration and to all our children and their families a safe and relaxing break.



After School Clubs

If you haven't already handed in your application form for an after school club during the spring term, please do so by Tuesday 7th January.



Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to class 5T who were our best attending class week ending 13th December with 100%.

Also, our best on-time classes were 3T, 3A & 6Z with no late marks for the same week.

Well done to you all – keep up the good work!

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