

Godwin Newsletter - 28th April 2023

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Head Teacher's Message

It was fantastic to welcome so many of you to Monday's Coffee and Chai morning and have the opportunity to talk about Godwin. Although we see many parents and carers at the school gates, this tends to be for just brief chats, so it was wonderful to have the chance to talk properly and the feedback we gained was extremely useful.

One suggestion we have acted on straight away was that spelling tests should happen on paper so that these can be brought home for families to see how their children have done. We have taken this on board as we appreciate that it will instantly give parents and carers more information without taking teachers' focus away from the learning itself. These completed spelling tests will come home to you every week, starting immediately.

We hope to see even more of you at our next event which is at 9am on Monday 19th June - details to follow.

Please remember that school is closed on Monday for the Bank Holiday. Due to the NEU teachers' strike, school is only open on Tuesday for 4T, 4Z and 6B. All children should be in school on Wednesday.

Best wishes for a pleasant weekend



Thank you to everyone who joined in with our Bricks 4
Books fundraising event on Tuesday.

We have already raised £76 for class reading books thanks to your generosity.

The next chance to get involved will be at the end of the school day next Thursday.

The wall already looks great, so we can't wait to see it when it is full of names!

Science

At its heart, science at Key Stage Two aims to give children a strong understanding of the world around them. Pupils not only acquire the skills, concepts and knowledge to think scientifically; but also gain an awareness of scientific processes and an appreciation of the uses of Science, today and in the future.

Our pupils are supported by a carefully planned knowledge organiser for each area they study. This contains important facts and key vocabulary but also highlights the work of significant scientists whose work relates to the subject at hand. We firmly believe that it is important for all children to see themselves reflected in those we celebrate, and to dispel the notion that scientists always wear a white coat and labour away in a dusty laboratory! Below are just a few examples of the scientists to be found on our knowledge organisers.

Our Learning Powers Approach supports scientific enquiry because it emphasises the importance of children being curious and asking questions about the world around them. It also encourages them to consider the choices available to them when planning and conducting investigations; thus inspiring them to become independent learners, exploring possible answers and articulating their ideas.

We want every pupil to leave us full of knowledge, enthusiasm and confidence that the world of science is open to them.



Dr Ayana Elizabeth Johnson



Sir David Attenborough



Dame Harriet Chick



Dr Nirmala Ramanujan



William Kamkwamba



Hertha Ayrton



Lewis Howard Latimer



Mae Jemison



Peter Higgs



Mildred Dresselhaus



Ever wondered what sports & leisure activities are on offer for SEND young people in Newham?

Come and try out some sports taster sessions such as Bollywood dance, pilates, cricket, rowing, multi-sports, tennis, & swimming.

There will be information stalls about other services, opportunities to have your say about important issues that effect SEND young people in the borough, as well as a relaxation and sensory space.

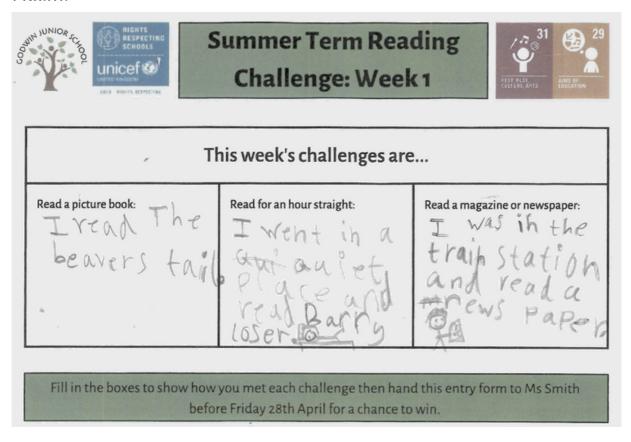


Click on the link for more information about the day and to book places https://tinyurl.com/GR8DAY2PLAYJUNE



Reading Competition

This week our lucky winner was Adam in 3Z. Well done on all your reading Adam!



Please see the next set of challenges below. These entry forms are available in each classroom.





Summer Term Reading Challenge: Week 2





This week's challenges are		
Read a biography:	Read a poem:	Ask a friend to recommend a book and read that:

Fill in the boxes to show how you met each challenge then hand this entry form to Ms Smith before Friday 5th May for a chance to win.



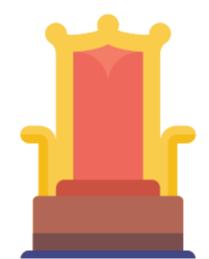
Your School Council would like you to design a throne fit for a coronation.

Deadline: 3rd May 2023

winner from each year group.

Winners will go on a Royal Day Out:
Visit Central London to see the
Changing of the Guards and then
lunch.







Join us on Friday 5th May 2023 for our Superhero Day event.

Year 3 will be raising money for Save the Children this year and would like everyone to dress up as a super hero for the day and donate money, where possible, for a worthy cause.

You can dress up as one of your favourite super hero characters or as someone who you consider to be a super hero to you.





<u>Article of the</u> Week





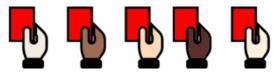


Article 2 of the VNCRC stipulates that all children's rights should be protected, regardless of race, age, or gender, and that all children should have access to what they need to grow, learn, and develop.

Stephen Lawrence, 18, was murdered in an unprovoked racial attack in London on April 22, 1993. None of the five accused of murdering him were convicted. The Macpherson Report (an inquiry into how his case was handled) found the Metropolitan Police to be institutionally racist (racist at all levels).

Stephen wished to be an architect, but his life was cut short. We must recognise the need for equality and speak out against discrimination. We should all be treated with dignity and given equal chances to prosper. To remember Stephen's memory, 30 years on, let us strive for a more just and equal society.

Let us stand up to discrimination and work towards a more just and equal society. Remember Stephen's story and use it to inspire you to make a positive difference in the world. Let's give racism the red card.



Mindfulness Corner

Every Friday we will share a link to a different group or organisation with resources for mental health and wellbeing. (Just so you know, we are not endorsing any particular site nor are we ambassadors for it - but we are simply providing pointers towards sites that might be interesting/helpful).



This week we feature mental health support from the NHS: https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving."

Albert Einstein.

Sibling Space

An online group for siblings of children/young people with social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism.

What is it? Siblings will have an opportunity to take part in fun activities, ask questions they may have about their brother or sister's differences and share their own experiences with other siblings in a similar situation.

Who is it for? Siblings in Years 3-7 who live in Newham or attend a Newham school. They must be able to access group learning online. Who will be running the online group? Staff members (speech and language therapist and specialist teacher/SENCo) from the Language, Communication and Interaction Service (LCIS) and Rosetta Primary School.

When? Part 1: Thurs 8th June and Part 2: Thurs 15th June 2023, both at 4.30-5.30pm. The sessions will be online on Microsoft Teams.

How can I book a place? Click on the link below to complete the online booking form.

https://forms.office.com/e/HrPLPNSBJr

Who should I contact if I have more questions? Email your questions to lcis@newham.gov.uk with 'siblings' in the email subject.



Language, Communication and Interaction Service Specialist Education Support Service 0 – 25 SEND Education & Skills, CYPS London Borough of Newham



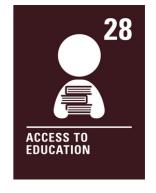


Punctuality and Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	
3B	87%	
31	84%	
3K	85%	
3Z	84%	
4Z	84%	
4K	87%	
4T	90%	
4Y	86%	

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	
5M	80%	
5J	93%	
5V	84%	
60	86%	
6K	76%	
6B	82%	
6W	86%	
total	85%	

for the week beginning 17th April



Last week's attendance was impacted by Eid on Friday. As this is a major religious holiday, these absences are authorised and we have decided not to include colour coding this week.

The class with the best attendance was 5] with 93%.

6O and 4T won the punctuality cup with everyone on time all week. Fantastic!



Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are: 5] and 4T
Congratulations!



News from the Community Garden: Super Saturday & The Big Help Out!







Three great events this weekend. Firstly the start of our big Spring/Summer plant sales.

The first is this Saturday, followed by consecutive sales at the end of every month till July.

If you have some plants you can't use please donate them to us. All proceeds of the sales will go towards future events, activities and the maintenance of the garden.

In addition, Stephen Mason will be starting a series of workshops on aspects of sustainable gardening.
Environmentally friendly gardening that works in harmony with the natural environment and has no impact on the wildlife or our surroundings.

Workshop 1 is all about Composting, but feel free to discuss all gardening and environmental topics.

In the afternoon is the continuation of the Sow and Grow gardening sessions, particularly for first-time food growers.

Everyone is welcome and its ALL FREE!





MONDAY 8th MAY

Meet at 10.30am Forest Gate Community Garden E7 9AD

As part of the Big Help Out this year we will be re-planting the area around Earlham Bridge. It will be a fun day and free refreshments will be at hand. Please meet at the Community Garden on bank holiday Monday 8th May for 10.30am and let's brighten up the bridge.





Achievement Awards

- 3B Mohammed: for persevering in his learning this week and being a positive role model
- 3K Alisha: for consistently persevering and being a great member of 3K
- 3I Bariyah: for persevering with her learning and always trying her best
- 3Z Asim: for excellent perseverance in maths
- 4K Ismaeel: for persevering during his first swimming lesson
- 4T Sherwin: for considering his choices and persevering with learning
- 4Y Yusuf: for exhibiting the Learning Power of Evaluation when working in class
- 4Z Alveena: for persevering in her learning and being a helpful member of the class
- 5] Frieda: for choosing to return to school with a positive attitude
- 5M Esa: for his perseverance when using his protractor in our new maths topic on angles
- 5V Araf: for making good choices in class and working hard in all areas of the curriculum
- 6W Eshan: for excellent collaboration in English
- 60 Elijah: for showing curiosity and embracing mistakes.
- 6B Faatimah: for being a conscientious representative of 6B as a School Councillor
- 6K Shyilo: for fantastic collaboration and perseverance in PE

