



Godwin Newsletter 22nd January 2021

Head Teacher's Message

How lovely it was seeing so many of our children in today's year group assemblies. I know that many of you will have been in the background during those Zoom calls but for those of you who weren't able to be there, we spoke about the importance of maintaining a regular routine so that learning continues even if children are doing this remotely. I hope that the timetables have helped with this.

I also passed on praise from their teachers about how hard most children have been working and reminded them to keep focussed during every lesson, try their best and submit all work that they are set.

The class Zoom catch-ups have also been very popular - we know how important it is for children to still feel connected to their friends during this difficult time. Research has also shown the importance of exercise for well-being; please try to ensure your child is going outdoors and getting fresh air each day. Obviously we all need to adhere to the social distancing rules to be as safe as possible.

Your child will already have heard from their teacher about our art competition, 'View from My Window' - we are looking forward to seeing how creative the children can be. The deadline is Friday 19th February. As you will know, many of our staff have been calling families each week, checking that everything is ok and asking if there is anything we can do to assist you - this may be technical problems, difficulties with motivation or anything else that you want to talk about. It is one of the ways that we are trying to stay in touch with our community as we only see a small number of parents and carers each day. Please be aware that the call will show as 'Private Number' on your display, as staff are calling from their mobiles. Please do answer - even if it is just to say that everything is going well. We want to know that you are safe and well!

The Home Learning page on our school website has some advice and information which you may find useful

<https://www.godwin.newham.sch.uk/home-learning>

Best wishes for the weekend.



Achievement Awards

3B – Inaaya for showing great perseverance and commitment to her learning this week and producing some fantastic writing in English this week.

3K – Istiaq for being resourceful, persevering with his home learning always trying his very best.

3M – Bulscu for putting lots of effort into his writing online.

3Q - Borislav for articulating his ideas in English. We are proud of his efforts. Well done.

Zoe for being curious about her learning.

4B – Muneeb for his excellent work on Google Classroom. Even when he has found tasks difficult he continued to persevere and refused to hand in unfinished work. Keep up the fantastic work!

4I – Kayden for working really hard in DT and creating a fantastic Viking longboat.

4T – Rayaana for demonstrating excellent zoom etiquette

4V – Hayaa for persevering trying her best in all areas of her learning.

5K – Osayd for asking questions to show his curiosity and always putting in 100% effort in his work.

5S – Aryaan for making great choices when responding to feedback given to him by his teacher.

Michael for showing a true talent with stitching and perseverance of tasks in class.

5T - Abu-Bakr for showing curiosity towards all aspects of his learning.

5Y – Arslan for persevering in completing his tasks on time and showing a positive attitude towards learning.

6B – Alessia for considering her choices when completing written tasks, particularly in science and history, this week.

6J – Malachi for choosing to be on time and ready for school every day.

6W - Martha for persevering with her English writing and, in doing so, producing pieces she can be proud of.

6Z – Jessica for giving 100% effort to every part of her online learning and responding positively to all of her teachers' comments.

Ava for reflecting on her learning to create an excellent piece of poetry that demonstrated her understanding.



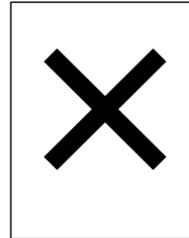
Art Competition

'A View from my Window'

You are invited to take part in the Godwin Junior School Art Competition.
The theme is '**A view from my window**'.

This means you can use ANY media (pencils, crayons, pastels, paint, collage, clay etc.) to create a piece of artwork which represents the view from your window.

Your art work should be in landscape format not portrait



You could create a representation of:

- The **actual view** from your window
- An **imaginary view** from your window (e.g. a window into your dreams)
- The **view you want for the future** when you look out of your window
 - It is completely up to you what you want to create!
 - We are spending more time at home and there are so many different views from our windows, so we wanted to share these across our school community.
- **Please keep your artwork safe at home.**
- When it's finished take a very clear picture (of just the art work) and e-mail it to info@godwin.newham.sch.uk stating your name and class.
- We will create a Visual Art Gallery for you all to see each other's work online. Once we are back at school the artwork can be brought in and we will make an exhibition of all the entries!
- Once we return to school, the winners will be announced and prizes will be awarded!
- The closing date for submission is **Friday 19th February 2021.**



Lockdown Heroes

Say a big thank you to your lockdown learning hero.

From superstar parents/carers, to teachers who go the extra mile, to children who have been learning legends – the Oxford Owl Lockdown Learning Hero Awards are your chance to say a big thank you.

Oxford Owl are asking primary school teachers, parents/carers and children to nominate someone they think has made a difference to learning during lockdown, no matter how big or small.

Our judging panel, led by Claire from playHOORAY!, will choose one inspirational nominee in each category who will win **£100 of Oxford University Press books** for their chosen school, and a **Samsung Tablet** for themselves (or a **Fire 7 Kids Edition Tablet** for our children's winner)!

Closing Date 14th February
Nominate at

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/oxford-owl-lockdown-learning-heroes-awards>



Holocaust Memorial Day

**Residents are invited to be the light in the darkness for
Holocaust Memorial Day 2021**

**Newham Council is inviting residents to commemorate this year's
Holocaust Memorial Day, with a free online event on Wednesday 27
January at 9:30 – 11:00am.**

The theme of Holocaust Memorial Day this year is '*Be the light in the darkness*'.

The event will be held on Zoom and will feature Holocaust survivors and guests of honour, **Ann Kirk BEM and Bob Kirk BEM** who will be sharing their testimony.

For more details and to book a place go to

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/events/event/25/holocaust-memorial-day-2021>

Support for Parents/Carers

Need some support for yourself or your family during lockdown? Not sure where to start? Newham Council are running

weekly workshops, taking place every **Thursday, 4pm-5pm** on **Zoom**.

They want to make sure that every family in Newham knows about the amazing support on offer, especially during this difficult time. This includes support for wellbeing and mental health, finances, housing, befriending and much more.

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Workshops

Supporting parents during the Coronavirus pandemic	Thursday 28 th January 2021, 4-5pm
Supporting teenagers during the Coronavirus pandemic	Thursday 4 th February 2021, 4-5pm
Supporting children during the Coronavirus pandemic	Thursday 11 th February 2021, 4-5pm
Taking care of yourself during the Coronavirus pandemic	Thursday 18 th February 2021, 4-5pm

Eat for Free

You may recall some weeks ago we invited you to take part in the consultation about the Eat for Free initiative in Newham.

We are delighted to inform you that decision was made this week to continue with this scheme in Newham.

Read more about the decision at

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/news/article/577/newham-s-flagship-eat-for-free-scheme-guaranteed-by-the-mayor>

