



# Godwin Newsletter - 17th November 2023

preparing pupils for lifelong success



## Head Teacher's Message

We marked Anti-Bullying Week by wearing odd socks on Monday and have been discussing the theme in assemblies over the last few days. Our children also enjoyed a thought-provoking theatre performance this afternoon which focused on the importance of being an 'upstander' and doing something to help if they became aware that bullying is taking place. This is a really important message about being a responsible citizen and reinforces the learning which our Year 6 pupils took part in last Friday as part of a Junior Citizen Event.

Thank you to everyone who once again donned odd socks today to develop awareness of and raise money for Children in Need. We will let you know next week how much money we have collected.

Lots of educational visits have been taking place this week, with more to follow next week: Year 4 have been finding out about East London during WWII by visiting the Museum of London Docklands; Year 3 have been participating in Stone Age Workshops on Wanstead Flats. We know how important learning experiences such as these are to pique children's curiosity and support their understanding.

A big thank you to our PTA who have been doing an amazing job raising money for the school via the very popular Hot Choc Fridays. Please see details further in the newsletter of how you can help Godwin, including through our Winter Fayre and next Tuesday's Bag 2 School collection.

Wishing you a cosy weekend

# MEET OUR GOVERNORS

Our school governors play an important role in leading Godwin, helping to determine strategy and ensure our pupils have a happy and successful education with us. Each week we will introduce you to a different member of the team.

**Name:** Tim Potter

**Age:** 70

**One important fact about you is:** I'm a West Ham United Season Ticket holder and have followed its ups and downs since the glory days of the 1960s.

**What's your day job?** I'm retired. I used to be a senior manager in colleges of Further Education but since retiring I've become a London guide, taking groups of people round the City and lecturing on its history. I've written a couple of books on London and its history.

**Why did you become a Governor?** I spent all my working life in education and know how it transforms people's life chances. I hope that I use my experience to help schools run effectively so that children, parents, staff and communities prosper.

**What is one thing you appreciate about Godwin?** I love the way the school is rooted in the community and offers its children a wide ranging curriculum which seeks to discover and develop their talents to prepare them for the future.



To celebrate the festive season, each class are busily preparing a performance for their parents and carers.

## Friday 15th December

9:10 - 9:30 - 6K

9:40 - 10:00 - 6M

10:10 - 10:30 - 6W

2:00 - 2:20 - 5O

2:30 - 2:50 - 5V

3:00 - 3:20 - 5T



## Tuesday 19th December

9:10 - 9:30 - 4I

9:40 - 10:00 - 4B

10:10 - 10:30 - 4K

1:50 - 2:10 - 3K

2:15 - 2:35 - 3Y

2:40 - 3:00 - 3J

3:05 - 3:25 - 3Z



Please come and join us for a mince pie and some festive cheer whilst you support your child!

Friends of Godwin PTA present

The Godwin

# Winter Fair

Friday 8th December after school to 5:30pm



£1 per Family

(suggested donation)



THE FORESTERS BAND

GAMES & PRIZES

HOT DRINKS

CANDYFLOSS

CAKES & BAKES

GLITTER  
STATION

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HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAYS WILL CONTINUE ON FRIDAY  
24TH NOVEMBER AND FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL WITH £1 AND  
THE HOT CHOCOLATE WILL BE DELIVERED TO THEIR  
CLASSROOM.

THE MONEY RAISED WILL BUY CLASS READING  
BOOKS





**PARENTS CONCERNED ABOUT THE CURRENT HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN GAZA ARE HOLDING A:**

# **BAKE SALE**

**ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS/MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES**

**DONATIONS OF SWEET OR SAVOURY FOOD ARE WELCOME ON FRIDAY 24TH BEFORE 12PM (NO NUTS OR SESAME SEEDS. PLEASE LIST INGREDIENTS ON HOMEMADE ITEMS)**

**FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER – AFTER SCHOOL**



# BAG 2 SCHOOL

## FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



## Godwin Junior School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

*We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:*

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

*(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)*

*The more we weigh the more we pay!*

*Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit*

*Please return your Bag2School on:*

**Tuesday 21st November 2023**



01609 780 222



[www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com)



[helpdesk@bag2school.com](mailto:helpdesk@bag2school.com)

**Please only bring the bags to school on Tuesday 21st.**



**Be an active part of your child's school community**

**Hear about events and opportunities to support your child's school  
and education**

**No minimum commitment, any amount of involvement is welcome!**

We have a whatsapp group where events are discussed. Please use [this link](#) or the QR code to join



# Get Caught Reading

This week's winners are Yousuf from 3K and Sage from 4K. Can you catch your child reading in a strange or unusual place? If so, email the photo to [info@godwin.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@godwin.newham.sch.uk). Don't forget to include their name and class.



## Saluting Our Sisters! 🌟

The School Council's Black History Month competition winners are:

- Millie (3J) for her fact book about Nicola Adams
- Juana (4I) for her poster of Dr. Hawa Abdi
- Eddi (5O) for her poem about Mary Seacole
- Rina (6W) for her poster about Rosa Parks

What an amazing array of black women our winners chose to represent - a real celebration of UNCRC **Article 30** and **Article 29**! Congratulations to them and thanks to all the entrants!







British Gas customers can get half price electricity every Sunday between 11am-4pm until 31 December, if they are signed up for PeakSave Sundays.

Smart meter will read how much electricity used during those five hours each Sunday. Half of that energy cost will be credited back to account as PeakSave Credit.

At the end of each month, customer will receive a summary of how much money saved.

Make the most of the five hour Sunday timeslot to do a blitz on laundry, oven cooking, having a soak in a hot bath etc.

## **Terms and Conditions**

- Discount is only for customers who have a smart meter.
- Anyone already signed up for previous PeakSave scheme doesn't need to do anything, discount will be applied automatically.
- Otherwise, need to sign up to the scheme on British Gas website. British Gas are limiting the number of customers on this scheme, so don't delay in signing up.



*Anti-bullying Week is held every year in November, and it's a time for everyone to think about how to build good relationships at school based on respect and dignity, take action to stop bullying, and help people who have been bullied or are being bullied.*

*Article 2 of the UNCRC says that the convention applies to all children without exception. Article 12 says that children's opinions should be taken seriously in all decisions that affect them. Article 13 says that children have the right to say what they think and feel. Article 19 says that all children should be safe from violence and abuse.*



*What does bullying mean to you?*

*What different kinds of bullying can you think of?*



## Mindfulness Corner

Every Friday we will highlight a different group or organisation with resources for mental health and wellbeing. (We are not endorsing any particular site nor are we ambassadors for it - we are simply providing pointers towards sites that might be interesting/helpful).

This week we feature mental health support from The Mental Health Foundation: <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk>

*"You are strong enough to face it all. Even if it doesn't feel like it right now." Marianne Williamson*



# Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	96%
3Z	86%
3Y	93%
3J	98%
4K	94%
4B	97%
4I	88%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5V	89%
5O	100%
5T	99%
6W	91%
6K	97%
6M	98%
average	95%

for the week  
beginning  
Monday 6th  
November



## Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 5O on their 100% attendance.

Please help your child to be here every day so they can learn.



## Punctuality Cup

6K won the cup this week with every learner on time each day.

Congratulations to them!



## Times Table

### Rock Stars

4B take the trophies this week. Keep it up!



## Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 4B and 5O

Congratulations!





# Achievement Awards

3Y - Maria: for always persevering in all subjects

3J - Sonia: for working collaboratively with her friends

3K - Jaya: for persistently considering her choices and demonstrating exemplary learning behaviour to her peers

3Z - Milou: for persevering in working out maths word problems

4K - Sage: for persevering across all subjects and challenging herself

4I - Love: for being a curious learner on our trip to the museum

4B -Harvey: for his positive attitude to learning this week and always working hard in maths

5O - Eddi: for incredible efforts when writing about Macbeth, considering her word choices to create a wonderful tale

5V - Rita: for being an excellent role model and always showing the learning powers

5T - Stanley R: for considering his choices and collaborating well with his learning partner in all subjects

6M - Sarah: for demonstrating perseverance when using long division

6W - Nathan: for persevering in maths and reading

6K - Nora: for displaying perseverance in English this week



# Godwin Junior School 2023-24

School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

**SEPTEMBER 2023**

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**NOVEMBER 2023**

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**DECEMBER 2023**

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**JANUARY 2024**

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**MARCH 2024**

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**JUNE 2024**

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**JULY 2024**

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**AUGUST 2024**

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# Godwin Junior School 2024-25



School Holiday	Bank Holiday	Pupil Day	INSET Day
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JANUARY 2025							FEBRUARY 2025							MARCH 2025							APRIL 2025						
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**Total:**

Autumn Term:	72 Pupil Days	75 Staff Days
Spring Term:	58 Pupil Days	60 Staff Days
Summer Term:	60 Pupil Days	60 Staff Days
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>190 Pupil Days</b>	<b>195 Staff Days</b>