



# Godwin Newsletter - 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

preparing pupils for lifelong success



## Head Teacher's Message

Pupils in Years 3 and 4 took part in an Air Pollution Action Day assembly by the London Clean Air Initiative. Children learned about what air pollution is, as well as how it affects our health and the environment. They also enjoyed taking part in a practical experiment to see the impact for themselves. Our Pupil Parliamentarians then participated in activities on climate change, exploring real-life solutions to environmental challenges. As part of this work, pupils will soon be involved in a new green feature for our school grounds. This will help to improve air quality and encourage biodiversity, supporting our work to develop responsible global citizens



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**Agnes 4K: "I learnt that one of the things that causes air pollution is car engines idling. Leaving the engine on for just one minute can create a lot of pollution."**  
**Eliel 5B: "I can reduce air pollution by taking public transport more often."**  
**Ettie 4I: "I can reduce air pollution by planting plants and turning down the heating in my house."**  
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UNCR Article 24  
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Development Goal 13.

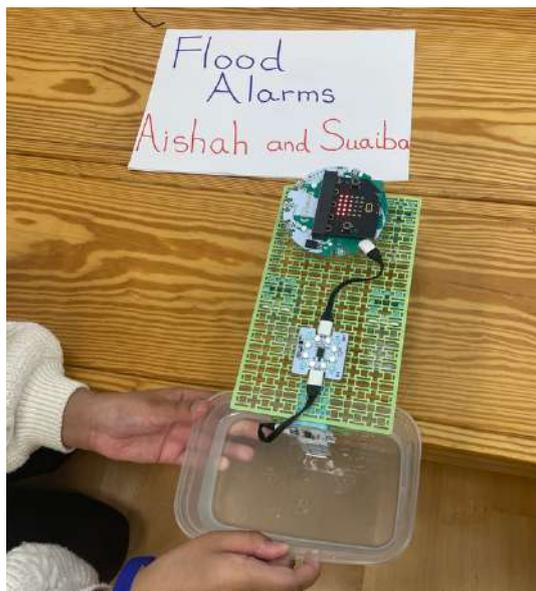
**IMPORTANT DATE**  
Happy School Bag Collection  
11<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
Internet Safety Parent Carer Workshop  
25<sup>th</sup> March 2026, 3:40pm

Please remember that snacks brought to school should be **fruit only**. Thank you for helping us promote healthy choices for our children.

**Positive actions!**

 Take public transport	 Talk to others	 Recycle
 Stop idling	 Walk or cycle	 Plant

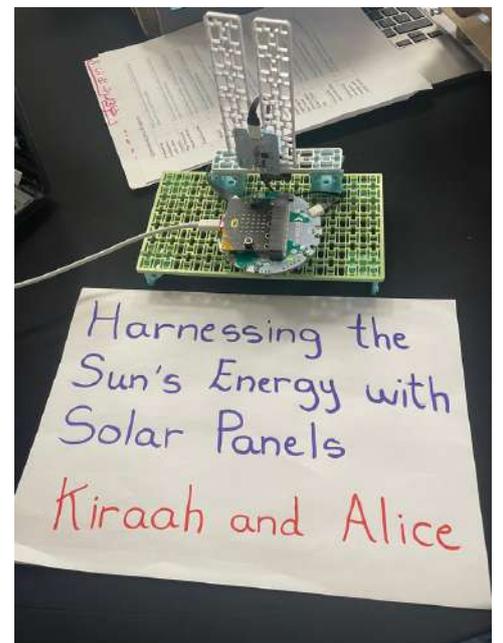
This week, a group of Year 4 girls represented Godwin at a Newham football competition, held at West Ham Foundation. The girls played exceptionally well as a team, using the Learning Power of Collaboration to good effect, and were very supportive of each other. Well done and thank you for being such great ambassadors for our school!



We were delighted that some of our Year 5 pupils recently participated in an event aimed at inspiring girls to pursue computer science and raise awareness of related careers. The 'I Belong - Empowering Girls' workshop combined coding and creativity linked to UN Sustainable Development Goal 13 - Climate Action, using the amazing micro: bit mini computer and the Climate Action Kit from Forward Education. Working in small groups supported by a KS3 student,

our pupils rose to the challenge - showing the Learning Powers of Curiosity, Perseverance, Collaboration and Embracing Mistakes.

Pupils heard directly from women in computing about what is possible in the industry, and we hope that this encourages our girls to recognise that there is a place for girls within computing and in STEM more widely.



Next week we are taking part in the national

# "EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM"

campaign, which encourages children to eat more vegetables.

Thanks to last year's initiative, 82% of parents/carers said their child ate more vegetables, so we hope to have the same outcomes this time! If you are worried about your child's health, mood, behaviour or learning, a great place to start is their diet.



Each day of the campaign week will focus on a different vegetable. If children try 'The Vegetable of the Day' they will come home with a sticker (we encourage you to ask them about it and get really excited when they tell you about it!)

Furthermore, every child will also be coming home with a 'Mission Pack' (with even more stickers!) which is an activity for families to enjoy at home, helping turn eating and enjoying vegetables into a lasting habit.



**We really appreciate your support;  
let's get them eating more veggies!**



## LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that your child's clothing is labelled with their name and class. This will help us to return lost items without delay.

Send a message to

**07507 326 645**

and chat with a school nurse

Find @NwhmSchHealth at [chathealth.nhs.uk](https://www.chathealth.nhs.uk)



Please can we ask for your help in ensuring that children are dressed appropriately for school each day, including suitable footwear.

Please can we also ask you to make sure that children aren't wearing jewellery in school, with the exception of stud earrings. This is for health and safety reasons, as well as to avoid upset if items are lost or broken.

Thank you in advance for your support.



# Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	97.4%
3L	94.2%
3M	97.4%
3V	99.0%
4K	96.3%
4T	97.0%
4Y	99.2%
4I	96.2%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5W	94.2%
5O	93.6%
5B	99.2%
6Z	94.6%
6M	96.4%
6J	92.2%
average	96.3%

This attendance data is for the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> February



**At the moment, our whole-school attendance for the academic year is 95.9%. Please help us to reach our target of 96%.**

## Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 4Y and 5B who won the attendance cups this week.



## Punctuality Cup

Congratulations to 3V, 4T and 4Y who had no late marks at all. Well done!



## Times Table

### Rock Stars

4Y and 5W take the trophies this week. Keep it up!



## Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 3K and 6M.



# Article of the Week



*Chinese New Year, also known as the Lunar New Year, or the Spring Festival, is a significant cultural event that millions worldwide celebrate. The lunar calendar determines it, and in 2026, it fell on 17th February and will be celebrated until 2nd March.*

*Article 30 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) recognises the rights of children belonging to minority or indigenous groups to enjoy their own culture. Article 31 acknowledges children's rights to participate in cultural activities.*

*In 2026, the Chinese zodiac welcomes the Year of the Fire Horse, symbolising energy, passion and freedom. The Fire Horse is considered one of the most powerful and dynamic signs in the Chinese zodiac, appearing only once every 60 years. Celebrating cultural traditions like the Chinese New Year fosters a sense of identity and belonging, promoting children's rights to engage in and take pride in their heritage.*

## 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).

MIND

<http://www.mind.org.uk>

*Keep your face always toward the sunshine  
 and shadows will fall behind you.*

**Walt Whitman**





# Achievement Awards

3K - Samreet: for considering her choices and always demonstrating fantastic learning behaviours

3L - Finn: for reflecting on what makes her work successful

3M - Teddy: for showing curiosity in our English lessons

3V - Sajid: for his curiosity when learning and making better choices to improve the quality of his work

4K - Junaid: for being a curious learner on our visit to the National Gallery

4T - Isabel: for being an excellent role model and considering her choices

4Y - Ayanah: for considering her choices and beginning to explain her reasoning during lessons

4I - Jibrael: for persevering with his learning and always making the right choices

5W - Amelle: for concisely explaining her reasoning in Maths

5O - Isabel: for amazing effort in all areas of school

5B - Raymond: for working well collaboratively with others and being a fantastic role model

6Z - Beatrice: for participating fully in all lessons and sharing her reasoning

6M - Sultan: for demonstrating curiosity in English when retelling a story from the Arabian Nights

6J - Jewana: for choosing to persevere with her maths learning in order to improve





# CSC Junior Grand Prix 2026

Saturday 14th March

The CSC Junior Grand Prix is a series of tournaments held in north London, organised by CSC, and supported by a generous sponsor. In each tournament there are five sections: U18, U14, U12, U10, U8.

The leading scorers in each section receive vouchers offering free one-to-one tuition from CSC-accredited tutors. The results of each tournament are aggregated, leading to overall Grand Prix winners in each age category.

It is open to all juniors with ECF Gold Membership (first year is offered free by the ECF).

<https://www.englishchess.org.uk/ecf-membership-rates-and-joining-details/>

Students from CSC schools can enter for free

<https://www.chessinschools.co.uk/csc-junior-grand-prix>



# Reading Volunteers



Do you enjoy reading?  
Do you like to read with children?  
Do you have a couple of hours free each week?

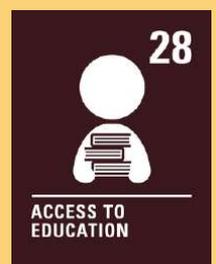


We would love members of our local community to help us with our reading volunteer programme.

Reading with a volunteer each week helps develop our children's ability to read, their confidence and their comprehension skills.

It also promotes a love of reading for pleasure.

If you are able to dedicate time each week, please email us with your details at: [info@godwin.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@godwin.newham.sch.uk)



# An Exciting Art Opportunity!

# RA Young Artists' Summer Show 2026

Enter the Royal Academy's  
Young Artists' Summer  
Show 2026!



An exciting opportunity for students aged 4–18, who are living and studying in the UK, to exhibit their artwork on site or online at the Royal Academy of Arts.

**Open for submissions**

5 January–4 March 2026

Find out more and enter  
[roy.ac/youngartists](http://roy.ac/youngartists)  
[@royalacademyarts](mailto:@royalacademyarts)

## How to take part:

Create one piece of original artwork.

Artworks can be made of any materials and might include painting, sculpture, photography, installation, print, textile, fashion, animation or a video.

There is no theme so artworks can be of any subject.



**Deadline:**

**4th March  
2026 at  
5pm**

Please also email a photograph of the artwork for the attention of Miss Taylor to:

**[info@godwin.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@godwin.newham.sch.uk)**



Calling All Young Artists!

# FOURTH PLINTH SCHOOLS AWARDS 2026

Get Creative & Enter the Competition!

Drawing & Painting • Sculpture • Collage • Digital Art

Open to All Children – Individual & Group Entries Welcome!

Submit Your Artwork by

**MONDAY  
16th MARCH 2026**

Don't Miss the Deadline!

Create an artwork inspired by the contemporary sculptures on Trafalgar Square's Fourth Plinth!

Entries can be in **any art form** – drawing, painting, sculpture, collage or digital design – individually or as a group.

**Consent Form  
Required**

Artwork must be handed in with a signed parental consent slip. ✓

Hand artwork to **Miss Taylor (Art Lead)** by  
**MONDAY 16th MARCH 2026**

Visit the Competition Website! →  
[www.london.gov.uk/fourthplinthschools](http://www.london.gov.uk/fourthplinthschools)

✓ Parental Consent Form (Signed)  
✓ Artwork (Named on Back)



# premier Holiday clubs



more fun, more friendships, more smiles  
during the easter break!

book  
now!



# your nearest multi-activity club

Venue: Woodgrange Infant school, Sebert Road, Ldn E7 0NJ

Dates: Monday 30th March Friday 10th April 2026

Times: 8am 6pm and 9am 6pm

Price: From £36.50 per day

Ages: 4-12 years

Additional info: 15% sibling discount



Our Holiday Clubs keep children active, safe, and entertained throughout the school holidays.

Join us this Easter as we offer a wide range of fun activities, including sports, performing arts, and games, all at great value. There's something for every child to enjoy this half-term!

**Book now** for a holiday full of excitement!

## clubs are better with friends!



treat your friends to 20% off...and get 20% off too!

\*Ts&Cs apply. Refer a friend discount on new bookings only.



book now!

Excellent



★ Trustpilot



VACCINATION UK

# Measles is spreading

**MMR vaccine is available for those who have not received both doses of the MMR as an infant**

**Children who aren't fully vaccinated are at serious risk** of complications such as ear infections, pneumonia, and, in rare cases, brain inflammation.

## **Check your child's MMR vaccinations today**

- The MMR vaccine protects against Measles, Mumps, and Rubella
- Two doses give the best protection
- If you're unsure whether your child is up to date, ask your GP or practice nurse



We are able to vaccinate for MMR at our catch-ups and while visiting the schools or at a community clinic.

Scan the QR code or visit our website [www.schoolvaccination.uk](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk)

Part of the NHS School Aged Immunisation Service



**LUMI NOVA**  
TALES OF COURAGE

Recommended by  
**NICE** National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

Help your child build confidence and self manage their worries

Get instant access:  
**[luminova.app/newham](https://luminova.app/newham)**

**BfB LABS** | **NHS East London NHS Foundation Trust** | **Newham London** | **WELCOME TO NEWHAM SCHOOLS**

We are delighted to share with you a new NHS funded service designed to support young people aged 7-12 who are experiencing worries or anxieties; **Lumi Nova**.

### What is Lumi Nova?

Lumi Nova is an intergalactic adventure game to support young people to fight fears and manage worries. Whilst exploring planets, customising characters and earning treasure your child breaks their fears and worries down into manageable steps, learning life-long skills and building resilience.

Watch this short animated video to learn more: [Lumi Nova Introduction Video](#)

### Who can use Lumi Nova?

Lumi Nova was created for 7 - 12 year olds who are having difficulties with fears, worries or anxiety related to social situations, separation or phobias.

Lumi Nova is ideal for children who may:

- lack confidence to try new things
- seem unable to face simple everyday challenges
- find it hard to concentrate
- have problems with sleeping or eating
- have angry outbursts
- have negative thoughts about what's going to happen
  - be avoiding everyday activities, eg. going to school, seeing friends
  - become irritable, tearful or clingy

**Free for families in Newham**

- ✓ For 7-12 year olds
- ✓ NICE recommended
- ✓ Free instant access

To learn more visit:  
**[luminova.app/newham](https://luminova.app/newham)**

### How do you access Lumi Nova?

Accessing Lumi Nova is quick and easy. Use the link below to register and you will receive a text message to guide you through getting started.

**[Luminova.app/newham](https://luminova.app/newham)**

To find out more visit [luminova.app](https://luminova.app) or join a [Parent Information Webinar](#).



# Godwin Junior School 2025-26



School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

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