



Godwin Newsletter - 2nd October 2026

preparing pupils for lifelong success



Head Teacher's Message

Thank you to everyone who attended our reading workshop this week. It was lovely to have the opportunity to talk about how we support children to develop a love of reading and how we can work in partnership with you to help children to enjoy this invaluable life skill. We have a maths-focused workshop on Friday, so hope that lots of parents/carers will be able to come to that as well.

Our assembly theme this week was World Mental Health Day (which falls on 10th October). We spoke about the importance of recognising how we and others are feeling, how our emotional state will vary and can be affected by lots of different factors. We also reinforced how vital it is to talk to trusted adults (in and outside of school) about issues which are causing upset, and reminded our pupils that we have anonymous 'talk boxes' in each classroom that children can use if they don't feel they can say something outloud. Please do talk to your child about mental health and let them know that we are working together on this issue.

We look forward to seeing you at Monday's coffee morning!

Fairtrade Raffle Winners



Marta - 50



Maiya R - 3L



Sean - 4V

Other winners

Zara - 4K

Jasper - 4K

Serenna - 6W

Lily - 3Z

Felix - 3L

Denis - 4K

Shahira - 4K

Fega - 3Y

Fabian - 3Y

Eloise - 4M

£463.90 raised

Thank you to everyone who supported our Pupil Parliament's Fairtrade raffle!

🍷🍷 Every ticket supports fair pay for farmers. Together, we can be the change: Fairtrade = fair pay. ❤️

IMPORTANT DATES



- Mon 5th Oct 9am- Parent/Carer Coffee Morning with Senior Leaders
- Fri 9th Oct 9am - Parent/Carer Maths Workshop
- w/c 12th October and w/c 19th October - Y6 Bikeability training
- Tue 13th October and Thu 15th October - Parent/Carer Conferences - 3:40pm - 6:00pm.
- Wed 14th October - pm - Year 3 Gamelan Performances
- Mon 19th Oct 9am - Parent Carer Online Safety Workshop

Coffee Morning with the SLT

9am , Monday 5th October

**Come and join the
Senior Leadership Team
for a coffee and a chat!**





PARENT/CARER MATHS WORKSHOP



Friday 9th October 2026
9:10am - 10:00am.

At Godwin Junior School.
Meet our maths leader,
Mr Whittle, to find out
about our approach to
addition and subtraction.



Learning Powers

At Godwin Junior School we promote and encourage seven different learning powers: being curious, persevering, evaluating, collaborating, embracing mistakes, explaining reasoning and considering choices.

This week, we'll focus on evaluation, which is the process of looking carefully at something to figure out its strengths and weaknesses. Why should we do this?

1. Being evaluative improves your learning. It is very rare to be great at something the first time you do it. If you can look back at how you have done and find ways to improve, you will massively increasing the speed at which you progress.
2. Evaluation can help us grow as people. Everyone makes mistakes, and it is really tempting to forget about them or pretend they didn't happen. However, if you're brave enough to examine your mistakes you can make sure you avoid the problem next time.
3. Evaluation helps you notice your victories. Sometimes, you don't notice that you've been improving, because it happens little by little. It could be a change in your behaviour, confidence or learning – ask your teachers and I'm sure they've noticed a lot since September! Being evaluative can help you see these improvements and give yourself a deserved pat on the back.

So don't be afraid to evaluate yourself or your learning. Take a good look at your strengths and the things you want to improve; it could help you make some big changes!

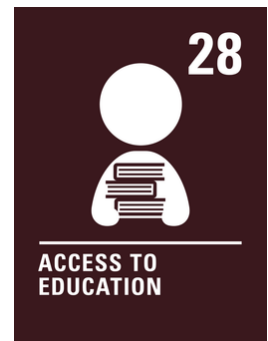


Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	100.0%
3L	100.0%
3Y	94.5%
3Z	98.8%
4K	96.8%
4M	98.3%
4V	92.4%
4I	99.1%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5T	95.6%
5O	93.1%
5B	97.2%
6W	93.4%
6J	93.9%
average	96.2%

This attendance data is for the period
25th September to 1st October

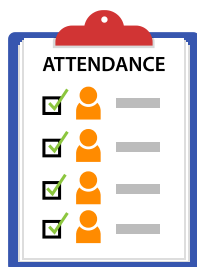


Our whole-school target for the year is 96%.

At the moment, our whole-school attendance for the academic year is 96.6%

Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 3K, 3L and 5B who won the attendance cups this week.



Punctuality Cup

Congratulations to 3Y, 3Z, 5O and 5B who had no late marks at all. Well done!



Times Table Rock Stars

4V and 6J take the trophies this week. Keep it up!



Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 4M, 4V and 5T.



Article of the Week



World Mental Health Day is observed on 10th October and this year's theme is "Lived experiences heard: Real voices, real change". It reminds us that, when we share how we truly feel and listen carefully to others, we can help each other stay well.

Looking after our minds links to **Article 24**, our right to good health, and **Article 6**, which supports every child to live a full and happy life. Caring for our wellbeing also helps us reach **SDG 3**: Good Health and Well-being.

Time to reflect...

1. Who is a trusted adult you could talk to if you felt worried?
2. How can listening to someone's real experience make a difference?
3. Why does good mental health matter for SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being?



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>

Say something positive and you'll see something positive.

Jim Thompson





Achievement Awards

3K - Safwan: for excellent collaboration during lessons

3L - Levi: for thinking deeply about his learning and being curious all week

3Y - Aoife: for excellent collaboration with her Learning Partners

3Z - Lily: for embracing mistakes and being a great class role model

4K - Denis: for continuing to challenge himself in lessons and embracing his mistakes

4M - Amber: for her perseverance and effort in all subjects

4V - Sharish: for being an excellent role model and demonstrating all of the Learning Powers

4I - Alizafar: for being such a collaborative member of our classroom and supporting both adults and peers

5T - Subhan: for persevering in his learning this week and making good choices

5O - Rhea: for an excellent display of explaining her reasoning in science

5B - Madeeha: for being a fantastic role model and always making good choices

6W - Ahyaan: for excellently evaluating his learning in history

6J - Ralph: for choosing to focus and concentrate when working independently



During the Autumn term, our school will be competing against others in the borough for a chance to win prizes for families and Godwin Junior School. To take part, download the BetterPoints app with the code **newhamwww** from your app store. Or visit the [website](#) to download the app.

The app will send you a welcome message and **instructions** on how to join our school team.

Please invite other family members (14+ years of age) and friends to join Team Godwin to help us win together!



Walk,
Wheel
& Win!

Newham Schools Autumn Challenge



Let's get active by taking part in a special challenge with the BetterPoints app

The top three schools can win great prizes.
Participants can win prizes, plus **£5** and **£10** vouchers for getting active.



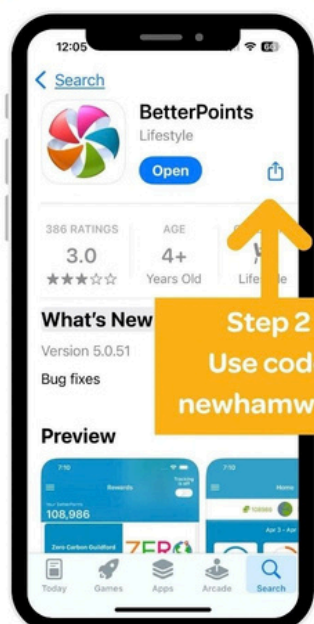
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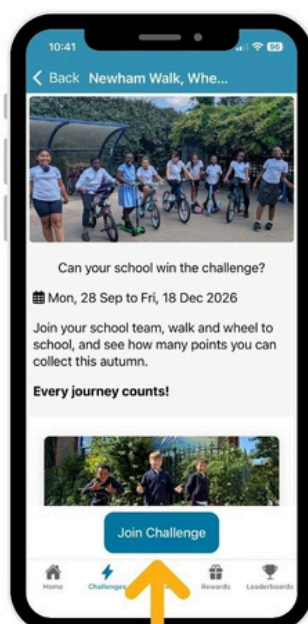
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Download the app

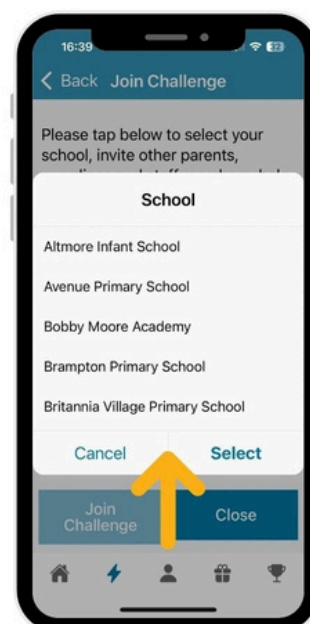


Step 2
Use code
newhamwww

Step 3
Go to Challenges



Step 4
Join your School Team





ESSEX



Daughters and Dads will improve your:

- Daughters cricket skills and engagement
- Daughter's social and emotional wellbeing
- Relationship with your daughter



LOCATION:

Newham Leisure Centre, 281
Prince Regent Ln, London, E13 8SD

DATES:

Saturday 18 October -
Saturday 12 December (9 weeks)

SESSION TIMES:

10:00-11:30

AGES:

8 - 12 years (girls only)

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Godwin Junior School 2026-27



School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

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Godwin Junior School 2027-28



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