



Godwin Newsletter - 19th May 2023

preparing pupils for lifelong success



Head Teacher's Message

Post SATs, our Year 6 children are still very much engaged in their learning, with educational visits supporting understanding in geography and science this week. We know how much our pupils benefit from opportunities to learn in a variety of environments and would like to thank parents and carers involved with fundraising which helped to fund the trip to Epping Forest.



Our Walk to School Week has reinforced the message that walking, scooting and cycling are the best ways to travel when possible. However, we have become increasingly concerned in recent weeks about the way in which some car drivers are dropping off their children just outside the School Streets Zone in the morning. Children getting out of cars in the middle of the road or at junctions is dangerous; other drivers will not expect this and pedestrians may not be able to see past this vehicle and may cross when it is not safe to do so. In the interests of the safety of all of our children, please can we ask all drivers to be responsible when they are bringing their children to school.

After-School Club September 2023

Due to sufficient Expressions of Interest from parents and carers, we are pleased to inform you about a new provision for an afterschool “wrap-around” club starting in September 2023. The Ofsted-registered care facility will be delivered by Premier Education and based on the premises at Godwin Junior School.

Premier Education have been supporting the physical education and extra-curricular provision at Godwin for almost 10 years, delivering curricular PE lessons, lunch-time supervision and after-school sports clubs. Premier Education will offer “wrap around” child-care from 3.35 – 5:45pm each day at a cost of £14 per session (minimum booking 2 days per week).

Due to the Expressions of Interest we have received, Premier has started the process of applying for Ofsted registration for this setting. We hope this will be ratified in time for the beginning of the Autumn term.

Please be aware that the after-school club can only run if it is financially viable and unfortunately will have to close if the bookings fail to materialise.

Parents/Carers who have expressed an interest will receive notification that bookings can be made via our portal and there will also be an announcement via the school newsletter:

www.premier-education.com

We are looking forward to providing a safe, secure and fun environment for the children at Godwin Junior School.

Michael Johnson

Area Director

Dates for Your Diary.



Year 6 Enterprise Event
Fri 26th May - after school

(This event is run by our Year 6 Pupils but all are welcome to support them and enjoy!)

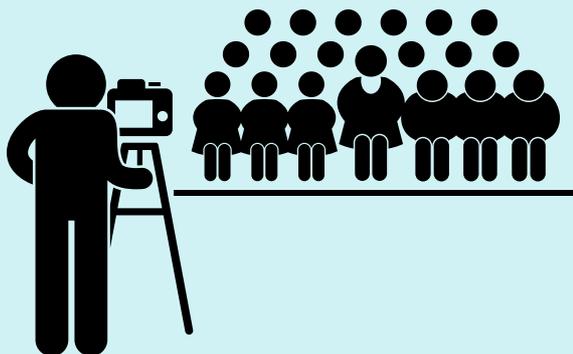
Year 3 - 5 music assemblies - Tues
11th July times TBC



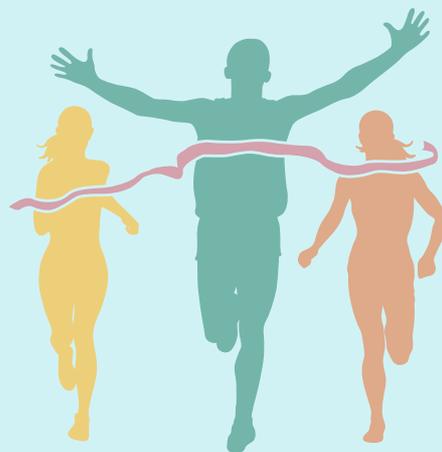
Parent/Carer and SLT Coffee and Chai meeting - Mon
19th June 9am



Class Photographs -
Monday 26th
June



Year 3 sports day - Weds 19th July pm
Year 4 sports day - Mon 17th July pm
Year 5 sports day - Mon 17th July am
Year 6 sports day - Weds 19th July am



Join us on
Wanstead
Flats to cheer
the children
on!

Year 6 production -
Mon 17th and Tues
18th July (evening)



Year 6 disco -
Weds 19th July
(evening)



Walk to School Week

This week, Godwin has been taking part in Walk to School Week 2023, with our pupils encouraged to walk, cycle or scoot to school. This is an excellent way for children to reach their recommended 60 minutes minimum of physical activity per day.



A LIVING STREETS CAMPAIGN

In Monday's assembly, we looked at the benefits a walk to school can bring: it supports both your physical and mental health; it makes the streets more inviting when everyone walks; it creates zero pollution; it's free and you spend time in the sunshine and fresh air.

The children discussed possible options for those who live far away, including car sharing, public transport and parking the car away from school so they can walk the last part of the journey.



Making these short, regular journeys without a car supports UNCRC article 24: children's right to good health and a clean environment.



Reading Competition

This week our lucky winner was Aliyah from 3Z. Well done!

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



Summer Term Reading Challenge: Week 5



This week's challenges are...

Share a book with someone younger than you:

Read with an adult:

Talk to a friend about your favourite author:

Fill in the boxes to show how you met each challenge then hand this entry form to Ms Smith before Friday 26th May for a chance to win.

Bricks for Books

So far, Bricks for Books has raised £280.70 - thank you for all your support!

From next week, Thursday will be our regular Bricks for Books day. Children can bring in £2.50 during the day and Miss Smith will collect them from class. Children and their families can also add to the wall after school.



Article of the Week



Are you ready to *Walk with Wildlife* and change the world? This challenge is all about your rights, like the right to a healthy environment (*Article 24*) and the right to good health (SDG 3). Walking every day helps you stay healthy and protect the planet.

But that's not all! Walking also allows you to explore (*Article 13*) and grow. It's an adventure that makes you stronger, both in body and mind. Remember, you have the right to live, survive, and thrive (*Article 6*). By walking, you're taking steps towards a better future for yourself and everyone around you.

So, let's lace up our shoes and make a difference together.

Are you ready to *Walk with Wildlife* and promote and live your rights? Let's go!



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 Place2Be:

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

"Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud." *Maya Angelou*

WE ARE ACTIVE.

WE ARE NEWHAM.

MAY HALF TERM PROGRAMME



Free activities for children and young people this half-term! Come and try a variety of activities. Sessions include Cricket, Baseball, Free Running and Flag Football!



DATES:

Tuesday 30 May – Friday 2 June

TIMES/AGES:

12pm-2pm – 5-11
years 2pm-4pm – 12-
16 years

VENUES:

• **Central Park**, High Street South, East Ham E6 6ET

MEETING POINT: Park Cafe

• **Stratford Park**, West Ham Lane, Stratford E15 4PT

MEETING POINT: Covered MUGA area

• **Keir Hardie Recreation Ground**, Tarling Road, Canning Town E16 1LQ

MEETING POINT: Old Changing Rooms

• **Plashet Park**, Woodhouse Grove, E12 6SR

MEETING POINT: Outside Bowls Club

• **Royal Docks Activity Centre**, 1012 Dockside Road, E16 2QT

To book: <https://tinyurl.com/NewhamWhitsunActivity>

For more information:

sports@activenewham.org or 07741 293506

MAY HALF TERM PROGRAMME

INCLUSIVE ACTIVITY

A variety of free taster sessions in a range of sports for children and young people with disabilities.

DATES:

Tuesday 30 & Wednesday 31 May

TIME: 12pm-2pm

VENUE: Stratford Park, West Ham Lane, Stratford E15 4PT

AGE: 8+ years

ROWING

The session is aimed at complete beginners, taking participants through land training exercises, equipment handling and on-water rowing boats.

DATES:

Tuesday 30 May, Thursday 1 & Friday 2 June

TIME: 10am-11.30am, 12pm-1.30pm

VENUE: Royal Docks Adventure, 1012 Dockside Rd, E16 2QT

AGE: 12-16 years

MINI ACTIVITIES

Introducing your little ones to sport can be great fun. Come along and try our Mini activity offer including: Mini Tennis, Mini Kickers and Mini Dance!

DATES:

Tuesday 30 May - Friday 2 June

TIME: 11am-12pm

VENUES:

- **Central Park**, High Street South, East Ham E6 6ET

MEETING POINT: Park Cafe

- **Keir Hardie Recreation Ground**, Tarling Road, Canning Town E16 1LQ

MEETING POINT: Old Changing Rooms

- **Plashet Park**, Woodhouse Grove, E12 6SR

MEETING POINT: Outside Bowls Club

- **Royal Docks Activity Centre**, 1012 Dockside Road, E16 2QT

AGE: 3-5 years



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Reading volunteers

Are you able to spare some time to read with children who need extra support?

Reading volunteers make a huge difference to children who are not yet confident readers or who don't have an adult to regularly read with at home.

Cathy, who has been reading with our children this year, wanted to share her experience with you:

Many years ago, my local primary school appealed for adult helpers to listen to children read. Once a week I would pop around the front of the school, after seeing my own children in through the playground.

An hour of sitting listening to children read their reading book: children who, due to a variety of circumstances, did not have anyone to listen to them at home; children who stumbled through and just needed a patient, non-judgemental ear to let them make mistakes and learn to correct themselves; children who were growing in confidence and just needed the practice and encouragement to help them fly. It was an hour well spent – for them and for me.

Volunteering is always good for mental health (especially when you are home-based) and helping children can always bring a smile to your face.



I not only enjoyed it, it also allowed me to feel part of the school – always important when your own children spend so much time there. My children also directly benefitted – even now they still remember feeling proud that their mum was helping in the school (and the eldest is over 35!) and I think it helped the younger one settle in more happily.

The other benefit was – it gave me the confidence to change profession and work in schools myself! I became a mentor, then a TA and then took the plunge into university and teacher training – a career I loved!

I absolutely recommend that you give it a go – whether mum, dad, carer, grandparent or whoever. For not much outlay – perhaps just one hour a week – there is so much to gain ... and to give!



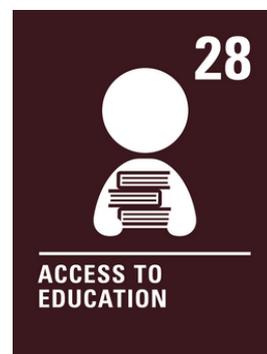
If you are able to make a regular commitment to helping Godwin children with their reading, please email us and we will be in touch: info@godwin.newham.sch.uk

Punctuality and Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3B	95%
3I	98%
3K	89%
3Z	94%
4Z	96%
4K	100%
4T	100%
4Y	92%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5M	96%
5J	100%
5V	92%
6O	96%
6K	96%
6B	98%
6W	100%
total	96%

for the week
beginning 8th
May



Wow! Four classes achieved 100% attendance last week. A massive well done to all the children in 4K, 4T, 5J and 6W. Good job 6B and 3I for reaching 98%.

Let's keep up the effort and do even better next week.

3B, 3K, 6W and 6O all won the punctuality cup with everyone on time all week. Fantastic!



Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are:

3K and 5J

Congratulations!





Achievement Awards

3B – Caspar: for embracing his mistakes and being a positive role model in class

3K – Billy: for persevering and including key features in his adventure story

3I – Bonnie: for persevering with her story writing and making good language choices

3Z – Kingsley: for considering his choices and improving his behaviour

4K – Reyad: for considering his choices and improving his classroom behaviour

4T – Oliver: for persevering with English

4Y – Nameer: for considering his learning choices and including a variety of features in his imaginative story

4Z – Shamoth: for collaborating and encouraging his peers during science lessons

5J – Suraya: for collaborating well during learning time

5M – Istiaq: for his perseverance and efforts in his writing this week

5V – Borislav: for persevering and evaluating his writing to create a strong resolution to his Greek myth.

6W – Ayesha: for evaluating her learning in geography

6O – Nayla: for excellent collaboration with her peers in all areas

6B – Denikel: for demonstrating great curiosity at the science museum

6K – Ionut: for considering his choices and displaying excellent behaviour for learning