



# Godwin Newsletter - 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## preparing pupils for lifelong success



## Head Teacher's Message

Year 5 and Year 6 impressed us all with their acting, singing and musical talents this week. It was fantastic to see their confidence and obvious enjoyment at performing in front of their families and aligns with our vision of nurturing confident, articulate individuals. Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a memorable event for them. We look forward to watching Year 3 and Year 4 next week.

As part of the Local Authority's enrichment programme, our Year 6s were treated to a festive theatre visit: UEL drama students' rendition of the classic Christmas story 'It's a Wonderful Life!' It is a thought-provoking tale in which a man realises the positive impact of the good deeds he has performed in his life - a message which resonates with our value of developing responsible global citizens. We hope that watching young adults (on the same stage that many of our pupils performed Macbeth earlier this year) was an inspiring experience which our children will remember for a long time.



Next week is the last full week of the autumn term but there is still lots of learning taking place, so please ensure that your child is in school and on time every day. We re-open to children after the Christmas break on Tuesday 6th January 2026.



Happy Hanukkah to everyone in our school community who is celebrating this festival next week!



### CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>
9:10 - 9:30 4K	9:10 - 9:30 3K
9:40 - 10:00 4T	9:40 - 10:00 3M
10:10 - 10:30 4Y	10:10 - 10:30 3L
11:10 - 11:30 4I	11:10 - 11:30 3V



Please remember only Booster classes are running on Monday and Tuesday next week. All other after-school clubs have finished



Last date for Booster classes will be on **16/12/2025**

Clubs for the Spring term start the week beginning 06/01/26. If your child has a place, please confirm and make your payment by Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.



# Thank you.

We are delighted to share our heartfelt thanks to the Friends of Godwin PTA for their incredible fundraising achievements this term.

Through a wide range of events - big and small - the team has worked tirelessly to bring our school community together and raised an impressive £3554.52 so far.

Please see the breakdown below of how they have achieved so much already this year:

Bake Sale (October)	£463.88
Happy Bags 2 School (October)	452kg £203.40
Hot Chocolate (November)	£510.76
Extra donation for playground equipment	£30
Winter Fair (December)	£2346.48

This fantastic total reflects not only the dedication of the Friends of Godwin PTA members, but also the generosity and enthusiasm of everyone who took part, volunteered, donated or simply came to support the activities. The Friends of Godwin PTA continues to give their time and energy to help create opportunities and experiences for all our children.

The funds raised from the Bake Sale, Clothes Collection and the Hot Chocolate will be spent on purchasing playground equipment that will benefit all of our pupils.

The money raised from the Winter Fair and further events will be going towards building our Performing Arts Studio.

If you would like to get involved and be part of this amazing team - even if you can only help out occasionally - please contact the Friends of Godwin PTA on [godwinpta@gmail.com](mailto:godwinpta@gmail.com).

Thank you once again to the Friends of Godwin team, and to all of the families who support them, for making such a positive difference.

# Digital Spaces VR Tour

Prepare to be amazed by our new VR experiences at Newham Libraries! Supported by the BFI and National Lottery funding, this national VR tour is coming from December 16 to January 19.



[newham.gov.uk](http://newham.gov.uk)

 **DIGITAL SPACES**

 Supported by  
ARTS COUNCIL  
ENGLAND

 **BFI** 

 **the space**

**WE ARE NEWHAM.**

## Step into the Future at Newham Libraries

From 16 December to 19 January, experience the [Digital Spaces VR Tour](#), supported by the BFI with National Lottery funding.

Explore incredible virtual worlds, including Hold the World with Sir David Attenborough, Wallace & Gromit: The Grand Getaway, Laika, The Lark Ascending, Monoliths, Berlin Blitz 360, and Phase Space meditation.

### Tour dates for Forest Gate Library:

- **Friday 12 December, 4:00pm-6:00pm**
- **Wednesday 17 December, 4:00-5:00pm**

[Click here](#) to see the tour dates at other Newham Libraries.

<https://newham.events.mylibrary.digital/series?si=&sn=digital+spaces+vr+tour>

**Free entry!**

Don't miss this unique chance to immerse yourself in cutting-edge VR experiences.

**No booking required.**

# Winter Story Sprouts

## Winter Mini Challenge

1 December 2025 - 28 February 2026

The Winter Mini Challenge is here again in your local library, for children of all ages. Become a champion and collect rewards for your reading.



Story Garden illustrations by Dapo Adeola, illustrations and logo © The Reading Agency 2025

# CHRISTMAS FOODBANK

Are you able to donate:



★ Mince pies

Gingerbread ★

★ Christmas puddings

Cakes ★

★ Biscuits - sweet or savoury

Hot chocolate ★

★ Crisps

Boxes of chocolates ★

★ Chocolate coins

Candy canes ★



Thank you!





# GODWIN

# CHRiSTMAS

# RAFFLE

£1  
PER  
TICKET

WE ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR  
PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO PROJECT

- Lots of prizes -
- Giant Christmas sack,
- chocolates,
- sweets, games
- and many more



Tickets will be on sale from the school office  
from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December - cash only please  
Raffle will be drawn on the last day of term



# DESIGN THE FRONT COVER OF THE LONDON CHILDREN'S FLOWER SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REPORT 2025!

London school children are invited to design the front cover of the Annual Report 2025. This year is a particularly special year as they will be celebrating their 80th anniversary!

- The competition is open to all London School children.
- A4 sized and any medium (paint, pencils & crayons etc).
- Theme: The joy of gardening and celebrating 80 years.
- We encourage bright, bold and colourful designs.
- Include child's name, age, and school with each entry

**Closing date: 9th January 2026.**

Prize for the winner & design published on our website.

All entries should be posted to:

The London Children's Flower Society  
61a High Street  
Orpington  
Kent BR6 0JF

Or scanned and emailed to:

[londonchildrensflowersociety@outlook.com](mailto:londonchildrensflowersociety@outlook.com)

**Get creative and help us celebrate 80 years of gardening joy!**

Send a message to

**07507 326 645**

and chat with a  
school nurse

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

The guitars at Godwin Junior School urgently need replacing. To give the pupils at Godwin the chance to enjoy playing music, this project aims to raise £5000 to replace all 30 guitars with better instruments that will last years and encourage the children to have an interest in playing the guitar. If you can spare a donation, please scan the QR code. It will all help and go to a very good, local cause.



<https://gofund.me/f3ee5717f>



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)



**NHS**  
East London  
NHS Foundation Trust

Newham London



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



### 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](#).



SEND Contact us Line  
02033736472

0-25 service  
02033733280

CAMHS  
02077715888

SENDIASS 02033730707

NHS 111

HELPNEWHAM  
02033733799

Newham Parent Forum  
would like to know what  
areas our families would  
like us to cover over the  
next 6 months

<http://www.newhamparentforum.co.uk>

Keep a look out for our  
wellbeing events

St Marks Community  
Centre,  
Room 12, 218 Tollgate  
Road, Beckton  
E6 5YA

Tel: 07495021062

Email:  
[info@newhamparentforum.co.uk](mailto:info@newhamparentforum.co.uk)

Facebook: Newham  
Parents Forum

Twitter (X):  
[@NPF\\_SEND\\_Parent](https://twitter.com/NPF_SEND_Parent)

**Tuesday, 16th December 2025**

**Call us on 07495021062**

## **Newham Parent Carer Forum**

We would like to invite you to our upcoming  
**Hybrid Coffee Morning** on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**From 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

### **LOCATION 1 – Face to face**

**St . Mark Community Centre, E65YA  
208, Tollgate Road, Beckton, E6 5YA**

### **LOCATION 2 – ZOOM**

**Meeting ID: 831 8356 0786  
Passcode: 795436**

### **Topic :**

**Introduction of  
Lorna – interim head of SEND  
Victoria – SEND Statutory Support and  
Partnerships Service Manager  
Refreshments and raffles for in person only.**

**Thank You.**



# HOLIDAY HAMMERS

Ages 5 - 14 years old

9am - 3pm  
29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> December

The Foundry

To book, please scan the QR code  
or visit: [foundation.whufc.com](http://foundation.whufc.com)

Chance to win a  
pair of signed  
Souček boots!



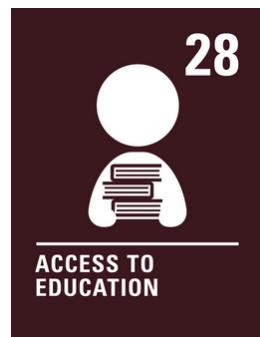
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# Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	90.4%
3L	93.0%
3M	87.1%
3V	95.0%
4K	97.1%
4T	100.0%
4Y	95.0%
4I	96.5%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5W	95.2%
5O	96.8%
5B	91.7%
6Z	90.4%
6M	95.0%
6J	98.8%
average	94.4%

This attendance data is for the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> December



Thank you for supporting our pupils to be at school as much as possible.

At the moment, our whole-school attendance for the academic year is 96.3%.

Thank you for this!

## Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 4T and 6J who won the attendance cups this week.



## Punctuality Cup

Congratulations to 3L, 4Y, 5O, 6Z and 6M who had no late marks at all. Well done!



## Times Table Rock Stars

4I and 5O take the trophies this week. Keep it up!



## Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 4Y and 6M.



# Article of the Week



**Article 14** states that children have the right to think, believe, and practise their religion without infringing on the rights of others. Governments must recognise and respect parents' rights and duties in raising and guiding their children.

Who or what influences the way you think about the world and shapes your thoughts and beliefs? November and December are important months for many religions. Can you think of some festivals and events that take place at this time? See how many you can think of. You could write a sentence, draw a picture, or write a story about a child celebrating a festival or special day.



## 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).

SUPPORTLINE  
<https://www.supportline.org.uk/>

"A negative mind will never give you a positive life."

Ziad K. Abdelnour





# Achievement Awards

3K - Dominic: for his perseverance in improving his performance in the class play

3L - Hyla: for being a curious scientist and also thoughtfully reflecting on his Christmas performance

3M - Phoebe: for embracing her mistakes and for persevering in all lessons

3V - Sharish: for perseverance across the curriculum, showcasing all Learning Powers with outstanding effort

4K - Rowan: for persevering with his learning across all subjects and showing more confidence

4T - Araf: for persevering with swimming lessons and embracing his mistakes in order to improve

4Y - Idris: for explaining his reasoning clearly in class

4I - Kaia: for making the right choices all week and persevering with her learning

5W - Alice: for clearly evaluating her learning in order to improve her writing

5O - Rajveer: for perseverance in English - leading to a brilliant retelling of Macbeth

5B - Eiel: for persevering in his writing this week and working hard to use powerful adjectives

6Z - Yusuf: for collaborating well and supporting his peers

6M - Usman: for his perseverance and efforts in explaining his reasoning in Maths

6J - Rusne: for persevering during English lessons, which has allowed her writing to develop





## Godwin Junior School 2025-26

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Godwin Junior School 2026-27



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	Pupil Day
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