



Head Teacher's Message

What amazingly talented children we have at Godwin!

This week our chess team represented the school at a competition hosted by Google. The children, some of whom have only been playing chess since September, played fantastically well in all of their matches. They even played Internet chess against a school in Paris, winning both games! Many of our children were awarded gold, silver and bronze medals and their overall team performance meant that they were crowned London champions. We are exceptionally proud of both their performance and excellent behaviour – they were a credit to the school.

On Friday, the school choir performed at 'Park in the Dark'. More than 100 residents and Friends of West Ham Park came together for the annual event, which began with an atmospheric torch-light procession through the Park, with children using glow sticks and torches decorated with coloured film to lead the way. The crowd was then entertained by our choir's angelic singing voices, whose rendition of Christmas carols and winter songs provided a warm glow which kept out the winter chill. Well done to all who took part and thank you to those who came along to support.

The members of our after-school writing club have produced incredibly thoughtful poems on the theme of 'Diversity'. Their work demonstrates mature thinking around this topic and also an awareness of the range of devices used by writers to convey their message. Please do take the time to read their work when you are in school for the Winter Fayre.

More than 20 of our gifted artists were invited to Forest Gate Community School last week to enhance their skills by working alongside their secondary school counterparts. The children studied the work of Andy Warhol and then created their own designs which they used in a repeated print, producing pieces which they should be very proud of. These will be displayed in the school entrance in the new year.

As you know, we have recently been exploring the effects of traffic pollution on children's health. Please can I ask car drivers not to leave their engines running outside school whilst they are waiting to collect their child. The toxic fumes emitted in just one minute are enough to fill 150 balloons. This is linked to Article 24 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child: Every child has the right to the best possible health. For more details go to:

https://www.unicef.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2010/05/UNCRC_summary-1.pdf

Best wishes for a peaceful weekend

Winter Fayre

Monday 17th December
3.30pm

Lots of seasonal items for sale:
decorations, cakes, sweets &
Godwin merchandise.

Tombola, raffle, face-painting, craft
workshops and live entertainment.

Mince pies & spiced winter punch
too!!!!

(We urgently need donations of
cakes – please bring to the
school office on Monday
morning.)



Christmas Assemblies

Wednesday 19th December

Year 3 – 9.15am

Year 4 – 9.40am

Year 5 – 10.00am

Year 6 – 10.20am

All parents/carers welcome to
support the children in their last
performances of 2018!



Christmas Discos

Years 3/4 Wednesday 19th December

Years 5/6 Thursday 20th December

Both events will be from 5pm –
6.30pm

£1 entry includes crisps & drinks
(Pay on the door)



Achievement Awards

Many congratulations to the
following children who received
Achievement Awards in assembly
today.....

Junior – 3A

Adil - 3B

Alex – 3T

Ayaan - 3V

Gia - 4B

Tanaka - 4H

Luca - 4M

Kader – 4S

Mahin - 5B

Ayaan - 5T

Ugnius – 5W

Micah – 6J

Giorgio – 6S

Oliver – 6Z

Woodgrange Infant School

Woodgrange Infant School has asked
us to remind parents/carers of older
Godwin children who go home alone
that they are not permitted in the
Woodgrange playground after school.
This is for the safety of the smaller
children who are leaving the premises
at that time.

Thank you.

Punctuality

Our best 'On Time' class
for week ending 7th December
was: 3T with 0 late marks
recorded.

Attendance

Our top classes for attendance week
ending 7th December were:
4B & 4H with 100%.
Very well done!