Godwin Newsletter - 13th September 2024

preparing pupils for lifelong success

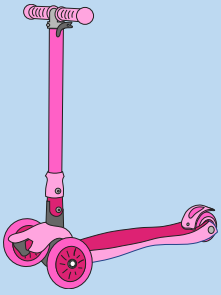
Head Teacher's Message

At Godwin, part of our vision is to 'Nurture confident, articulate individuals' and to 'Open minds to create responsible global citizens'. Part of this process is encouraging our pupils to represent the views of their peers as part of our School Council. This has been discussed in class this week, and children who are interested have been asked to prepare a short speech which they will deliver to their classmates early next week, with secret voting happening on Thursday. Children will find out on Friday who our new School Councillors are, with the first meetings happening over the following two weeks.
UNCRC Article 12.

Our after-school clubs will start next week. Many were over-subscribed, so please let us know straight away if you no longer require a place so that we can offer it to someone else. Please can you ensure that you have paid for your child's clubs before the first one happens; if you are unsure whether you qualify for free clubs, please ask at the school office.
UNCRC Article 31

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers at the year group meetings this week; we look forward to the Year 5 one on Monday.

Wishing you a restful weekend.



Is your child missing a bike or scooter?

Several of these were left on-site at Godwin Junior School and Woodgrange Infant School over the summer. Please enquire at the relevant school if you think they could belong to you.

Learning Powers

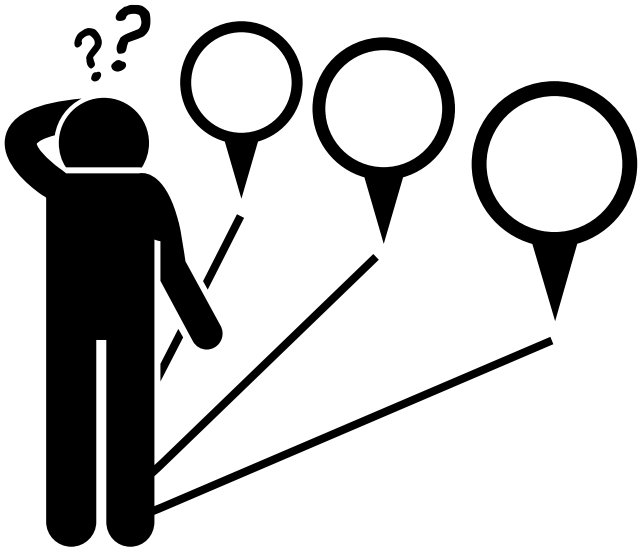
At Godwin Junior School we promote and encourage seven different learning powers:
Being curious, persevering, evaluating, collaborating, embracing mistakes, explaining reasoning and considering choices.

This week, we'll focus on considering choices – the ability of children to think about their options and make positive decisions for themselves. In decades past, education looked very different. A teacher from 100 years ago may have felt only one person had choices in their classroom – themselves! Why have educators moved away from this idea?

1. As humans we make choices all the time, often unconsciously. Highlighting the choices children have and helping them think about the likely outcomes enables teachers to manage learning behaviour in a less confrontational way. Praising children for positive choices also puts them on a path to repeating those good decisions.

2. We want children to grow into adults who are able to navigate life independently and make good choices. Practice making small decisions will strengthen those skills they need later. For example, in many lessons children may choose the difficulty of their independent work or decide how they want to present their knowledge.

3. A study by University College London found that children who feel they have a level of control and influence over their day-to-day lives grow into happier adults. This is something we all want for our children.



FOREST GATE

jumble trail

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GODWIN ROAD

PLAY STREET

EVERYONE WELCOME

ice cream
arts and crafts
games
DJ & live music

SUNDAY
22 SEP
11:00 - 16:00

Come join the fun. The closed section will be on Godwin Road between Lorne and Tylney Road.

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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 £5 & £10 vouchers for getting active.

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DOWNLOAD the BetterPoints app with the special code newhamschools

PICK your school team

WIN and earn BetterPoints to spend on shopping vouchers or donate to charity - your choice!

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Newham London

BetterPoints

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FREE

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Inclusive Rhythms: Dance, Art, & Community

a monthly dance and art workshop for SEN and/or disabled children and their parent or carer. Come and explore movement range, creativity, and connection in a safe and supported environment.

2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
JUNE - DECEMBER 2024
14:00 - 15:15

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FOREST GATE, E7

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Email: hello@embracespace.co.uk

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SEND & Inclusion's

LOCAL OFFER LIVE

Theme: Preparing for Adulthood

9TH OCTOBER 2024

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Newham London

NEWHAM COLLEGE LONDON

NEWHAM PARENT FORUM
Empowering Parents and Influencing Services

Newham College,
(East Ham campus)
High Street South
E6 6ER

From 4pm-6pm

Bus routes :
376, 300,
304, 5, 115,
58, 101,
147, 238

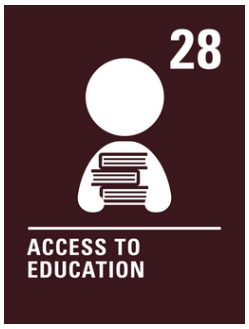
other details including booking to follow

Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	96%
3Z	94%
3M	96%
3J	95%
4K	91%
4T	100%
4Y	89%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5V	91%
5I	100%
5W	98%
6K	85%
6M	96%
6O	95%
average	94%

This attendance data is for the 5th and 6th of September.



Please help us to meet our whole-school target of 96% by ensuring your child attends school every day.

Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 4T and 5I for 100% attendance last week. What a great start!

Punctuality Cup

Eleven classes had no late marks last week. Well done to 3J, 3M, 3Z, 4K, 4Y, 4T, 5W, 5V, 6O, 6M and 6K!

Times Table Rock Stars

3Z and 6M take the trophies this week. Keep it up!

Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 3Z, 4K, 4T and 5W

Article of the Week

Fairtrade Fortnight is from 9th September to 22nd September. The theme this year is 'Be the Change'. Fairtrade means that farmers and workers who grow or make things, like chocolate or tea, are paid fairly for their work. This helps them take care of their families, send their children to school, and protect the environment.

Fairtrade connects to the UNCRC, such as Article 27, which says children should have a good standard of living, and Article 32, which protects children from harmful work.

It also links to the Sustainable Development Goals, like Goal 1 (No Poverty), Goal 8 (Decent Work), and Goal 12 (Responsible Consumption), all aiming to make the world better for everyone.

What will you do to be the change and mark the 30th birthday of the Fairtrade foundation?

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).

This week we feature mental health support from The Samaritans: https://www.samaritans.org/

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

Achievement Awards

3K - Artie: for considering his choices and being a role model to his peers

3J - Ettie: for choosing to try her very best during every lesson

3M - Zara: for persevering in her learning, especially maths

3Z - Albion: for excellent collaboration in English this week

4Y - Roy: for persevering and being enthusiastic in class

4T - Raymond for considering choices and collaborating with his learning partners consistently

4K - Amelia: for persevering with her learning and having a positive start in Year 4

5W - Adam: for excellent perseverance to improve his writing

5V - Love: for explaining her reasoning well and participating fully in class discussions

5I - Eva: for being excellent learning partner and collaborating well with others

6O - Ibrahim: for clearly explaining his reasoning on the causes of the Second World War

6M - Arslan: for fantastic collaboration during a history lesson

6K - Sid: for an excellent display of all the Learning Powers

Godwin Junior School 2024-25

School Holiday | Bank Holiday | Pupil Day | INSET Day

SEPTEMBER 2024

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18 Pupil Days
21 Staff Days

OCTOBER 2024

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19 Pupil Days
19 Staff Days

NOVEMBER 2024

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20 Pupil Days
20 Staff Days

DECEMBER 2024

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15 Pupil Days
15 Staff Days

JANUARY 2025

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18 Pupil Days
20 Staff Days

FEBRUARY 2025

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15 Pupil Days
15 Staff Days

MARCH 2025

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21 Pupil Days
21 Staff Days

APRIL 2025

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16 Pupil Days
16 Staff Days

MAY 2025

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16 Pupil Days
16 Staff Days

JUNE 2025

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21 Pupil Days
21 Staff Days

JULY 2025

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17 Pupil Days
17 Staff Days

AUGUST 2025

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Total:

Autumn Term:	72 Pupil Days	75 Staff Days
Spring Term:	58 Pupil Days	60 Staff Days
Summer Term:	60 Pupil Days	60 Staff Days
Grand Total:	190 Pupil Days	195 Staff Days