Godwin Newsletter - 6th December 2024

preparing pupils for lifelong success

Head Teacher's Message

Congratulations to our Chess Team who achieved first place in the London Chess Classic competition this week! This is an incredible achievement - well done. A particular mention to Shafin, Marnie and Rita who even beat an adult Grand Master! At Godwin we want all of our children to have a wealth of opportunities and experiences and are delighted that so many children enjoy attending our after-school chess club to develop the skills they learn during their Year 5 chess lessons.

Please note that next week is the last week of after-school clubs. A new brochure will go out next week ready for the spring term.

Best wishes for the weekend.

Important Dates

Friday 13th December
PTA Winter Fair and Scholastic Book Fair

Monday 16th December
class performances for Years 6 and 4

Tuesday 17th December
class performances for Years 5 and 3

Friday 20th December
last day of term

Tuesday 7th January
first day back for pupils

Winter Sickness

We all want pupils to be at school with their friends, enjoying their learning. We know that good attendance is vital to their future success. Children with coughs, colds and sniffles should still be in class.

However, when children have vomited, they must remain at home until 48 hours after the vomiting ends. This helps to prevent outbreaks of illness and is a policy based on NHS advice. For more information, please visit https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/.

Lost Property

We will continue to display all lost property outside the main office at 3:25pm. **Any items still unclaimed on 20th December will be donated to charity**. Labeling items with your child's name can help to prevent these losses.

FRIDAY 13TH DEC
15:25 - 17:15

Winter FAIR

GODWIN JUNIOR SCHOOL
Friends of Godwin PTA

Follow us on Instagram @godwinjuniorpta

Join us for a magical afternoon of fun and festivities at our annual Winter Fair. We can't wait to see you there!

SNOW MACHINE
BEAT THE GOALIE
FOOD & DRINKS
BAKE SALE
MUSIC
HOOK A DUCK
GLITTER STATION
CRAFTS
TOY TOMBOLA
HOOPLA

TICKETS
£1

RAFFLE NOW LIVE!

WIN ONE OF OUR AMAZING HAMPERS PACKED WITH WINTER TREATS. PRIZES INCLUDE:

LUXURY BEAUTY HAMPER WORTH +£300
HOME LOVERS HAMPER WORTH + £300
FOOD LOVERS HAMPER WORTH +£300
FACIAL WORTH £175
CO-OP HAMPER & CLASS COLOURED HAMPERS

SCAN THE QR CODE TO ENTER THE RAFFLE!

Winter FAIR

GODWIN JUNIOR SCHOOL
Friends of Godwin PTA

Help make our Winter Fair a success!

Friends of Godwin PTA needs your support to bring some festive magic to our Winter Fair on Friday 13th December! Here's how you can help:

1. Raffle Hamper Donations Each Year group has been assigned a colour theme for our raffle hampers. Please bring items matching your year colour to create beautiful, themed hampers!

2. Toy Donations for the Toy Tombola We're collecting new or gently used toys for our popular tombola. Please drop them off at the school gates during drop-off and pick-up.

3. Volunteers Needed
Can you spare some time on the day?
We're looking for friendly faces to help with:
Setting up stalls, running activities, donating baked or shop bought goodies, tidying up afterward

Thank you for your support—every little bit helps!
Questions or want to volunteer? Contact us at godwinpta@gmail.com, @godwinjuniorpta or scan the QR code to join the WhatsApp group

FREEbooks for your school when you buy at the Book Fair!

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

A pop-up book-store with hundreds of books from just £2.99

COME to the BOOK FAIR

NEW

Save £3

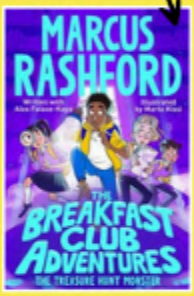
~~£12.99~~ £9.99

NEW

Save £4

~~£14.99~~ £10.99

From England footballer Marcus Rashford!

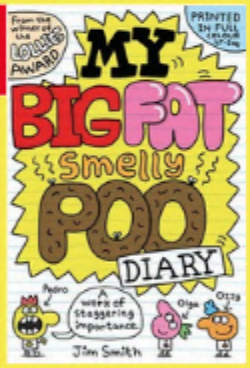


£7.99

Save £3

~~£7.99~~ £4.99

NEW



£8.99

NEW

Paperback exclusive to Scholastic

£7.99

NEW IN PAPERBACK

£7.99

Godwin Junior School - Sports Hall
Friday 13th December from 3:25pm
Alongside the Winter Fair

Card details required for online payments.
Cash payments also accepted.

GODWIN JUNIOR SCHOOL

Scan the QR code to pay online!

FOUNDATION

Forest Gate School

Address: Forest Lane,London E7 9BB

Free Girls' Football Sessions

Date: Mondays

Age Group: 8-18 years old

Time: 18:00pm-19:30pm

Please ensure you make contact prior to attending by emailing CommunitySport@westhamunited.co.uk

IDEAL SCHOOL COMPETITION

...share your ideas

What is your ideal school?

Your school Council want you to...

Monday 9th December

To

Ms Valle - 5V

HOW TO ENTER

- **Model Creation:** Build your dream school from materials at home!
- **Drawing:** Sketch your vision for a school where everyone thrives.
- **Writing:** Describe what would make the ideal school for you.
- **Video:** Record yourself talking about or showing your vision for the perfect school.

BE CREATIVE!

PRIZES

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Art kits

Everyone who enters

gets a certificate

WB 16.12.2024

winners announced by School Council

Your School Council can't wait to see your creations!

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Contact Information

For more information speak to your School Councillors

The annual **Love Letters to London** competition is now open. As 2024 represents the 60th Anniversary of Martin Luther King's sermon at St Paul's, the theme this year is: **DREAMS FOR LONDON.**

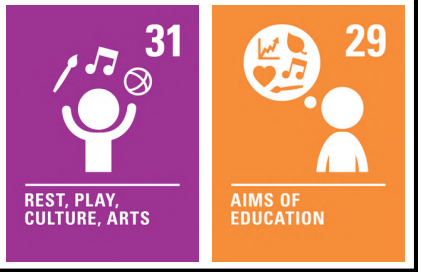
The winner of the '11 and under' category will receive £500 as well as £250 of books for the school. There will also be runner-up prizes of £150.

Entries can be fiction, essays, reportage or poetry, and must be no longer than 500 words (or 40 lines of poetry) Entries must be typed on a Google Doc or on Word, and can be submitted by emailing the document/link to Ms Smith at info@godwin.newham.sch.uk. They can also be printed and handed to Ms Smith in person.

Closing date: Entries must reach Ms Smith by Wednesday 18th December.

Key information: at the top of your document, please type the title of your entry, your name, address, parent/carer telephone number and parent/carer e-mail address.

Alternatively, visit *LondonSociety.org.uk* for information on submitting directly.



Newham London

Free
Dr. Bike Mechanic Session
The Gate Library

Date: Friday 13th December 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m – 5:00 p.m

Christmas Special - 'Elf Assembling Bicycles

Have you bought a child a bicycle for Christmas?
Bring it to Dr. Bike for a safety check before the big day.

Does it need to be assembled?
Our professional mechanics can assemble it for you, free of charge.

At Dr Bike sessions experienced mechanics check everything on your bike and any minor adjustments we can make to the bike we do there and then.

Anything we can't fix on site we will let you know exactly what needs doing so you can explain this at a bike repair shop of your choice.

Reading Volunteers

Do you enjoy reading?

Do you like to read with children?

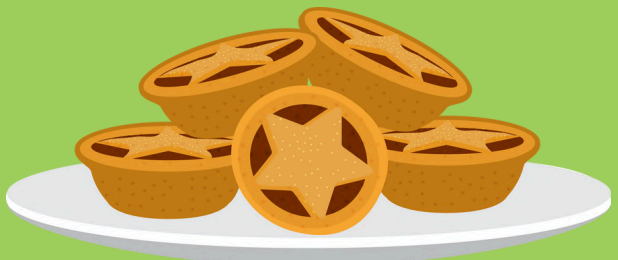
Do you have a couple of hours free each week?

We would love members of our local community to help us with our reading volunteer programme. Reading with a volunteer each week helps develop our children's ability to read, their confidence and their comprehension skills. It also promotes a love of reading for pleasure. If you are able to dedicate time each week, please email us with your details at: **info@godwin.newham.sch.uk**

Dear Parents/Carers,

You are invited to your child's end of term performance. Please come along and support your child. Refreshments will be available.

Monday 16th December	Tuesday 17th December
9:10 - 9:30 – 6K	9:10 - 9:30 – 5W
9:40 - 10:00 – 6M	9:40 - 10:00 – 5V
10:10 - 10:30 – 6O	10:10 - 10:30 – 5I
2:00 - 2:20 – 4Y	1:50 - 2:10 – 3K
2:30 - 2:50 – 4K	2:15 - 2:35 – 3M
3:00 - 3:20 – 4T	2:40 - 3:00 – 3J
	3:05 - 3:25 – 3Z

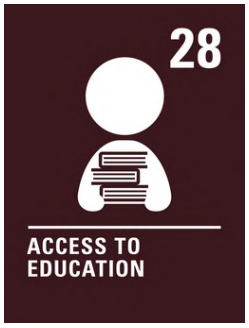


Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	89%
3Z	91%
3M	92%
3J	96%
4K	92%
4T	94%
4Y	97%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5V	94%
5I	95%
5W	96%
6K	96%
6M	99%
6O	93%
average	95%

This attendance data is for the week beginning Monday 25th November.



So far, our whole-school attendance for the academic year is 96.1%, just above our target. Please help us stay above 96%.

Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 3J, 4Y, 5W, 6K and 6M for meeting or exceeding the school attendance target of 96%. Keep it up!

Punctuality Cup

Congratulations to 3M, 4K, 4Y and 6M who had one late make each, and to 6O who had none!

Times Table Rock Stars

4K and 6M take the trophies this week. Keep it up!

Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 3J and 5W.

Article of the Week

On 10th December, we celebrate Human Rights Day, marking the United Nations' adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948. This day reminds us of the importance of human rights for everyone, including children, and how these rights make life better for all.

We can honour the Universal Declaration by reflecting on children's rights, particularly Articles 4 and 41 of the UNCRC. Article 4 requires governments to establish systems and laws to protect children's rights, while Article 41 ensures that if a country has laws stronger than this Convention, those must be upheld.

Human rights are universal, meaning they apply to everyone; they're unconditional, inherent, indivisible and inalienable, meaning they cannot be taken away. Let's celebrate and protect these rights for a fairer world.

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 Prince's Trust: https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/who-else/housing-health-wellbeing/wellbeing/mental-health

"Make happiness a priority and be gentle with yourself in the process."
Bronnie Ware

Woodgrange market E7
Saturday 7th December
Jammers playing at 12.
Christmas light switch on
4 to 5pm children's
activity. Choirs,
refreshments, and stalls .

Achievement Awards

3K - Ira: for persevering to create sentences independently in English

3J - Milan: for always persevering with his learning

3M - Ivan: for explaining his reasoning in maths lessons

3Z - Josh: for excellent collaboration in class and being a great learning partner

4Y - Amelle: for embracing her mistakes and using them to improve her work

4T - Cherry: for choosing to bring a positive atmosphere to the learning environment and striving hard in all lessons

4K - Karamdeep: for persevering across all subjects and always trying her best

5W - Ikenna: for persevering to write an effective narrative based on Macbeth

5V - Antos: for making an effort to consider his choices in class

5I - Sultan: for persevering with his learning and working extremely hard

6O - Alfie: for collaboration and leadership in PE

6M - Hafsa: for fantastic collaboration in PE

6K - Oliver: for explaining his reasoning in maths

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

JUNE 2025

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21 Pupil Days
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JULY 2025

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17 Pupil Days
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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

Godwin Junior School 2025-26

School Holiday | Bank Holiday | Pupil Day | INSET Day

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JANUARY 2026

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