



Godwin Newsletter 5th February 2021

Head Teacher's Message

This week is Children's Mental Health Week. It is estimated that 3 children in every primary class has a mental health problem and many more will struggle with a particular issue such as bullying or bereavement. In addition, we are all acutely aware of the potential impact of isolation due to school closure on children's mental wellbeing. Please do talk to your child about how they are feeling and let them know that they are not alone. It can sometimes be hard to begin a conversation around mental health, so use this newsletter and the fact that we are focussing on mental wellbeing at school as a starting point. You may find these links useful:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>
<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/supporting-your-child-s-mental-health/>
<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/>
<https://mindedforfamilies.org.uk/young-people>
<https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/for-children-and-young-people/information-for-parents/>
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/mental-health-helplines/>

These links are also on our school website:<https://www.godwin.newham.sch.uk>

We will all be wearing yellow next Friday to show our support for children's mental health.

UNCRC Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible health.

We are incredibly proud of the quality of work which so many children have been submitting on Google Classroom. It is so pleasing to see that the hard work that their teachers have put in to planning and resourcing lessons is being enjoyed by our children. Please look at photographs of some of the work which has been created at home and at

school: <https://www.godwin.newham.sch.uk/photos>

UNCRC Article 29: Every child has the right to an education which develops their talents.

Please can I remind you of the Remote Learning Protocols which we have previously shared with you. The full document is available on the Home Learning page of our website:<https://www.godwin.newham.sch.uk/home-learning>. In particular, please can you ensure that children follow the normal expectations for behaviour and learning as if in school. Please can we also ask that if you need to contact the school you do so via the school email address: info@godwin.newham.sch.uk rather than through Google Classroom or on Zoom. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Best wishes for the weekend

Achievement Awards

3B – Abyaan for including the features we have learnt about in his mythical story, as well as working hard on comprehension activities.

Kourtney for planning a brilliant story in English and evaluating her work to make it exciting!

3K – Iggy for persevering with his home learning and writing an excellent story in English.

3M – Fabio for persevering with his story writing.

3Q - Stanley for persevering to create excellent mythical stories.

4B – Alimah for her excellent writing in English based on the Vikings. Well done for using adjectives, similes, fronted adverbials and dialogue!

4I - Isabelle for her well written and enjoyable Viking story in English.

4T – Khadidja for working hard and keeping 4T's spirits up.

4V – Crystal for participating more with her learning.

Jasmine for the certificate this week for showing excellent behaviour and using all her learning powers whilst in school on GC.

5K – Christos for continuously working hard on GC and articulating his thoughts well in English when writing a persuasive letter.

5S – Aiza for evaluating what helps her learn and applying that knowledge to her next piece of work.

Iijah for showing perseverance with his writing and embracing his mistakes

5T - Azizul for embracing mistakes and pushing himself to do his very best with his online tasks.

5Y – Daniyaal for embracing mistakes and making improvements in his writing.

6B - Melissa for considering her choices and putting a huge effort into her writing, particularly when thinking about vocabulary.

Sammy for collaborating with others and helping them with their learning.

6J – Eve for choosing to bring positivity and happiness to 6J's Google classroom and Zooms.

6W - Mya for considering choices when writing a descriptive opening to her story.

6Z – Harry for his total commitment to his work this week, especially in English, and for learning from his mistakes.



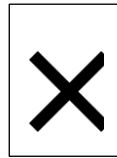
Art Competiton

'A View from my Window'

You are invited to take part in the Godwin Junior School Art Competition.
The theme is '**A view from my window**'.

This means you can use ANY media (pencils, crayons, pastels, paint, collage, clay etc.) to create a piece of artwork which represents the view from your window.

Your art work should be in landscape format not portrait



You could create a representation of:

- The **actual view** from your window
- An **imaginary view** from your window (e.g. a window into your dreams)
- The **view you want for the future** when you look out of your window
 - It is completely up to you what you want to create!
 - We are spending more time at home and there are so many different views from our windows, so we wanted to share these across our school community.
- **Please keep your artwork safe at home.**
- When it's finished take a very clear picture (of just the art work) and e-mail it to info@godwin.newham.sch.uk stating your name and class.
- We will create a Visual Art Gallery for you all to see each other's work online. Once we are back at school the artwork can be brought in and we will make an exhibition of all the entries!
- Once we return to school, the winners will be announced and prizes will be awarded!
- The closing date for submission is **Friday 19th February 2021.**

Help Still Needed!

Sincere thanks to all who have responded to our appeal for donations of laptops, tablets and similar devices to help those children in the Godwin community who are struggling to complete their home learning due to lack of access to a device.

We still have a waiting list and would like to support as many of our pupils as possible to access their learning.

If you have any type of device that you think may be useable, our technician will be in school again next week to have a look and ensure they are fit for purpose.

Please drop off to the school office Monday or Tuesday.

Many thanks.

#ThankATeacher

Get involved in the #ThankATeacher campaign

Show a special member of staff how much their work is valued by sending a free [Thank a Teacher card](#).

Find more information on how schools can get involved with the campaign at

[Say "Thank You" card to an amazing teacher today \(thankateacher.co.uk\)](http://thankateacher.co.uk)

Google Classroom Access

Thank you to you all for the support you are giving to your child with their remote learning.

Because we have been told that some of you are struggling to access Google Classroom, Mr Beattie has very kindly put together helpful advice on various aspects of online learning which can be found at <https://www.godwin.newham.sch.uk/home-learning>

Also he has recorded a workshop which can be viewed at [pre-recorded workshop for Parents and Carers on using Google Classroom](#).

Please make use of these very valuable resources to help you help your child!

Thank you.

Young Artists Summer Show

The Royal Academy of Arts are once again holding a summer exhibition for young artists.

As in previous years, art work can be in any medium and entrants can submit up to 3 pieces of work.

More details can be found

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/get-involved#howitworks>



Questionnaire

Please remember to complete the questionnaire on Remote Learning that was sent to you this week.

The links are provided below once again for your reference:

Year 3 - <https://forms.gle/NQYppUtFErdghErw5>

Year 4 - <https://forms.gle/6qUYNeH1iqWWAbPD7>

Year 5 - <https://forms.gle/Upx5CqU83sKtDxvs9>

Year 6 - <https://forms.gle/QhzjuhedNvkBmMhBA>

Your opinions, observations and comments are very important to us, please spend a short time completing the survey this weekend.

Thank you.



The Gate Library

Does your child need some different reading material?

Then why not have a look at what is available from our local library? This is a very valuable resource, please make use of it to support and encourage your child to read more.

Children can access children's library books using the e-catalogue www.newham.gov.uk/libraries and can access these collections using their library card number and PIN or can create a temporary membership online for this purpose.



Support for Parents/Carers

Need some support for yourself or your family during lockdown? Not sure where to start?

Newham Council are running

weekly workshops, taking place every **Thursday, 4pm-5pm** on **Zoom**.

They want to make sure that every family in Newham knows about the amazing support on offer, especially during this difficult time. This includes support for wellbeing and mental health, finances, housing, befriending and much more.

Phone one-
tap:

United Kingdom: [+442034815240,95579486838#](tel:+442034815240,95579486838)

or [+442039017895,95579486838#](tel:+442039017895,95579486838)

Meeting
URL:

<https://zoom.us/j/95579486838>

Meeting
ID:

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Workshops

Supporting children during the Coronavirus pandemic	Thursday 11 th February 2021, 4-5pm
Taking care of yourself during the Coronavirus pandemic	Thursday 18 th February 2021, 4-5pm

Lockdown Heroes

Say a big thank you to your lockdown learning hero.

From superstar parents, to teachers who go the extra mile, to children who have been learning legends – the Oxford Owl Lockdown Learning Hero Awards are your chance to say a big thank you.

Oxford Owl are asking primary school teachers, parents and children to nominate someone they think has made a difference to learning during lockdown, no matter how big or small.

Our judging panel, led by Claire from playHOORAY!, will choose one inspirational nominee in each category who will win **£100 of Oxford University Press books** for their chosen school, and a **Samsung Tablet** for themselves (or a **Fire 7 Kids Edition Tablet** for our children's winner)!

Closing Date 14th February

Nominate at

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/oxford-owl-lockdown-learning-heroes-awards>

