



Godwin Newsletter - 10th March 2023

preparing pupils for lifelong success



Head Teacher's Message



One of Godwin's aims, as listed in our School Vision, is to 'Open minds to develop responsible global citizens'.

Our School Councillors really embody this quality, as shown by their desire to help after the recent Turkey-Syria earthquake. We were delighted that they wanted to run a bake sale, and over the moon to receive emails from parents and carers offering to do the same.



The event last Friday raised £699.77! Through the DEC Appeal, this money will help the people who were most affected.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who made this recent cake sale such a success. This includes Morrisons in Stratford who generously donated a large number of cakes.



Our pupils, their families and the whole community not only *can* make a difference in the world, but *are* doing so.

Best wishes for a peaceful weekend.

How TFL Supports Our Pupils



When we think of the essentials for teaching and learning, a person might list items like books, pencils, paper and perhaps technology such as tablets and smartboards.

What many people won't realise is the absolutely essential role that Transport For London plays in supporting education across the capital. Today we'd like to explain and celebrate the impact it has on our pupils.

For many years, TFL has assisted schools in London through its School Party Travel Scheme. As an eligible school, we apply for off-peak travel tickets in advance and receive these completely free of charge for any educational or sporting event.

Without this scheme, we would not be able to offer the enormous range of free and low-cost educational visits which we currently provide. We visit all these places and more using public transport:

- The Natural History Museum
- The British Museum
- The Science Museum
- Museum of London Docklands
- The National Gallery
- The National Portrait Gallery
- The Tate Modern
- The Imperial War Museum
- The Victoria & Albert Museum
- Stratford Circus
- Queen Elizabeth Park
- Kew Gardens
- St Pauls & the South Bank
- The Houses of Parliament
- Greenwich Observatory
- HMS Belfast



For many of our pupils, educational visits are the first time they are able to visit these important and interesting places. Yes, they learn first hand and see real art and objects for themselves. However, the effect of these visits goes further than the knowledge gained on the day. Children become aware of a wider world which they can be a part of. We make a point to tell them when places like museums are free for visitors, and invariably there will be a child who replies: "Really, Miss? You mean I could bring my parents here?"

This week I accompanied Year 6 to Stratford Circus to watch The Trial of Josie K. Newham Council provided tickets so that every Year 6 pupil in the borough could watch this very funny play.

As we came in from the rain, a staff member opened the doors onto the darkened space. The boy next to me looked at the stage, the rows and rows of tiered seating and then at me. His eyes were enormous. "Woah!" he said, "What is this place?"

So thank you TFL for tirelessly ferrying us from one magical experience to another!

Ms Smith

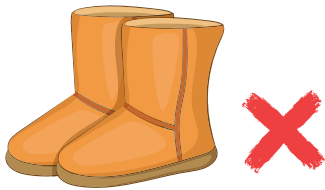
Appropriate PE Kit



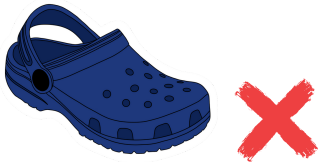
We take the comfort and safety of all our pupils extremely seriously, including during PE lessons. Wearing the correct items enables children to move freely, focus on their learning and avoid accidents.



Jogging bottoms are correct wear (or shorts in the summer if preferred), along with t-shirts and jumpers or hoodies in cooler weather.



All children must wear trainers on their PE days. No other footwear offers the flexibility and protection needed for such activities.



Unfortunately, we have noticed some children wearing unsafe shoes, sandals and boots on their PE days.



We kindly request that you discuss this with your child and ensure they are in adequate clothing on the appropriate days.

Red Noses

We have a limited number of red noses to sell from Monday in aid of Comic Relief. They are £2.50 each.





Pyjamas Against Poverty!



Friday 17th March - Wear your favourite pyjamas or onesie to school!

Bring £1 if you are able for Comic Relief.



Please wear shoes - no slippers!

Future Writers' Competition

NAME Sidra CLASS 5J
 BOOK TITLE The last wish



IF YOU WERE WRITING A BOOK, WHAT WOULD IT BE ABOUT?
 DRAW THE FRONT COVER IN THE BOX ON THE LEFT.

NAME Rita / Ruby CLASS 4T

IF YOU WERE WRITING A BOOK, WHAT WOULD IT BE ABOUT?
 WRITE ALL THE DETAILS BELOW.

BOOK TITLE: The powerless young dragon

GENRE (TYPE OF STORY): Fiction

SETTING (WHERE IT HAPPENS): The world down the sky

MAIN CHARACTERS: Ben, Forcia, I...
lots of dragons, a...

SYNOPSIS (WHAT IS THE PLOT? WHAT HAPPENS?): Forcia
ca dragon) does not have any powers like
other dragons but one day she meets Ben
(a human) then they go on a quest together
to get Forcia powers and maybe just saving the
world.

WHO WOULD LIKE THE BOOK?: Anyone who likes in magic
and there were must be more out there.



This week our winners are Rita and Ruby from 4T with their story about a powerless dragon and Sidra from 5J with The Last Wish.

Please ask your teacher for an entry form if you would like to take part next week.

Mindfulness Corner

Every Friday we will be sharing with you a link to a different group or organisation that have resources for mental health and wellbeing.

(Please Note: we are not endorsing any particular site nor are we ambassadors for it - but we are merely providing pointers towards sites that might be interesting/helpful).



This week we feature The Mental Health Foundation:
<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/>

"You can have it all. Just not all at once."
 Oprah Winfrey

Article of the Week



On March 8th, we celebrate *International Women's Day* and consider fair treatment for women and girls worldwide. Fairtrade is particularly important for them, as *UNCRRC Article 2* aims to prevent discrimination.

Fairtrade is crucial in making our planet more equitable for everyone. It ensures that farmers and workers are treated fairly and paid a living wage, in line with *UNCRRC Article 29*.

During *Fairtrade Fortnight* (Feb 27th - Mar 12th, 2023), we learn more about Fairtrade and support the environment while promoting fair treatment for women by choosing Fairtrade products. *What Fairtrade products can you find in the supermarket?*



The school garden is also ready for some improvements after some extremely kind families helped to move soil on Friday. We are very grateful!





FOR
YOUR
WORLD



Wear it Wild



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HEALTH,
WATER, FOOD,
ENVIRONMENT



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EDUCATION



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ACTION



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ON LAND



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LIFE BELOW
WATER

Friday 24th March 2023

Wear an item of animal-inspired clothing and bring in £1 to raise money for WWF.

Get creative with leopard print dresses, trousers, scarves, head bands, striped socks, or zebra-patterned t-shirts - anything animal-inspired works!

Prizes available for the best dressed children and parents/carers!



Young Artists' Summer Show

An exciting opportunity for children ages 4-19 to exhibit their artwork online and at the Royal Academy of Arts.

The deadline for submission at school is Friday 24th March 2023.

You can enter online or bring your art to school and we will support you to submit your work.



Find out more:
roy.ac/youngartists

Royal Academy of Arts

Now in its fifth year, the **Royal Academy Young Artists' Summer Show** is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4-19 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Submitting artwork is completely free and is done online. We have signed up as a school so when submitting, select Godwin Junior School. **Children under 12 will need a family member or teacher to enter for them.** Each child can submit one artwork and there is no theme. When entering, you will be asked for an image of your artwork plus some information about the piece such as title, size, and a little text about the artwork and why you made it. Artwork will be seen by a panel of judges and the selected pieces will be shown in our online exhibition. Some of the artworks will also be shown at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Please find guidance on submissions here:

<https://yass.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/2023/YASS-Submission-Guidance.pdf>

Please find more information about the Young Artists' Summer Show here:

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/>

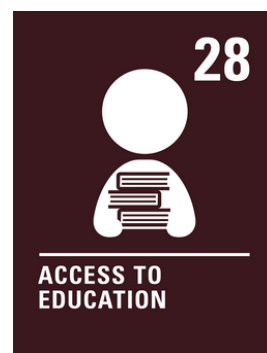
Thanks Miss Taylor

Punctuality and Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3B	100%
3I	97%
3K	96%
3Z	97%
4Z	96%
4K	95%
4T	93%
4Y	87%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5M	89%
5J	97%
5V	90%
6O	94%
6K	85%
6B	92%
6W	95%
total	93%

for the week
beginning 27th
February



Well done to the children in 3B for 100% attendance last week! 3I and 3Z also did very well. Please help your class to meet our target of 96% or above next week.

4Y, 6B and 6K won the punctuality cup with everyone on time all week. Fantastic!



Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are:

3K and 5J

Congratulations!





Achievement Awards

- 3B – Isaac: for working hard in his maths learning this week and embracing his mistakes
- 3K – Farhan: for persevering in his learning this week and being a fantastic role model
- 3I – Lola: for persevering with her learning and working hard all week
- 3Z – Zach: for considering his choices in his learning
- 4K – Abu Dujana: for persevering with his learning in maths and always trying his best
- 4T – Hanna: for considering her choices and her positive attitude towards her learning
- 4Y – Hattie: for her continuous enthusiasm and perseverance during lessons
- 4Z – Shahriyar: for persevering with coordinates in maths
- 5J – Fabio: for choosing to fully engage when in guided learning groups
- 5M – Ridwaana: for evaluating her writing this week and making it even better
- 5V – Rina: for persevering and being ambitious in her writing this week
- 6W – Hussain: for perseverance in English to earn his handwriting pen
- 6O – Yasin: for perseverance in his writing
- 6B – Vincentas: for perseverance and focus to improve in maths
- 6K – Jehan: for considering her choices and working carefully in maths