



Godwin Newsletter 11th December 2020

Head Teacher's Message

I hope that you have been enjoying the Advent Trail – it's fantastic to see how so many people have 'gone to town' decorating their houses to brighten the dark afternoons and give us all a bit of cheer! Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have helped us with this fundraising initiative sponsored by Ewe Move estate agents. Please use the map of the trail (on page 2) to enjoy a cheerful walk this weekend!

Thank you for continuing to wear masks and being socially distant when you drop off and collect your children. We are all doing our best to keep each other as safe as possible. Please do help us to keep the virus out of school - no-one wants to self-isolate over the Christmas holiday.

Best wishes for the weekend

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 perseverance, which is the ability to push through difficult times or face a challenge without giving up. Why do we need this trait?

1. Perseverance helps us grow and reach our full potential. Goals are great but people need more than daydreaming to be fulfilled. This is where perseverance comes in. It will help a person reach their goals even though they take time and effort to achieve.
2. You gain more self-confidence and strength when you persevere - you have come face to face with failure, and survived. Knowing that set-backs didn't stop you makes you feel more positive about the future and your own abilities.
3. Perseverance turns your failures into learning opportunities. The author Bram Stoker said, "We learn from failure, not from success." and this is very true in the classroom. When things go wrong, looking at the mistake can show us ways to be more successful in future. This means children who feel secure enough to take a risk and 'mess up' are often our strongest learners.
4. Your perseverance can inspire others. Everyone has responsibilities and challenges to face but not everyone has the motivation to keep pushing for distant goals. If someone sees that you are working hard and persevering, even in the face of your own issues, they might realise that they can do the same. You might even be thinking of someone right now who you have seen work hard and persevere. Did their actions inspire you to keep going?

Is your child able to make mistakes and keep going anyway? You can help them to build perseverance by noticing and praising their efforts when they work on something tricky, instead of admiring the end result.

Godwin's ADVENT Trail



look FOR
THE
signs ...



&
spot THE
christmassy
windows!

Rachel Tripp

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- 1st 76 Capel Rd
- 2nd 192a Dames Rd
- 3rd 54 Claremont Rd
- 4th 59 Capel Rd
- 5th 206c Sebert Rd
- 6th 58 Cranmer Rd
- 6th 56 Tylney Rd
- 7th 54 Sebert Rd
- 7th 192 Sebert Rd
- 8th 82 Tylney Rd
- 9th 82 Cranmer Rd

- 10th 46 Horace Rd
- 11th 99 Chestnut Ave
- 12th 39 Capel Rd
- 13th 42 Sebert Rd
- 13th 94 Chestnut Ave
- 14th 88 Claremont Rd
- 15th 17 Curwen Ave
- 16th 86 Sebert Rd
- 16th 25d Windsor Rd
- 17th 106 Chestnut Ave
- 17th 72 Latimer Rd

- 18th 9 Sidney Rd
- 18th 38 Avenue Rd
- 19th 7 Barwick Rd
- 20th 41 Latimer Rd
- 21st 63 Latimer Rd
- 22nd 25 Godwin Rd
- 23rd 23 Sidney Rd
- 24th 88a Claremont Rd

Children's Rights Inquiry

Our participation in the Children's Rights Inquiry - event run by the Mayor of London's office. Deputy Mayor and Regional Head of Ofsted were present.

6 School Councillors attended:

Ananstasia - 3Q, Persephone - 3M, Uchenna - 4I,

Maria - 4T (Gave a presentation on our school's work to promote children's rights), Juri - 5Y and Anif - 5S

Thanks for their commitment and dedication to their role and representing Godwin so well.

Well done!

Christmas Collection

Many thanks to those who have already donated and helped to start our Christmas Collection supporting RAMP.

The usual items are well received; tinned goods, packet foods including cereals, biscuits, rice and pasta as well as nappies and baby formula.

Monday 14th December final day for donations.



Gifts for Barnado's

Our School Council would like to thank all who have supported their collection; over 50 items were donated for Barnado's.



UNCR Articles 26 and 27: Every child has the right to a standard of living that meets their physical and social needs.

Class Christmas Parties

Friday 18th December

Children can wear party clothes (must be warm enough for playing outside at lunchtime and shoes suitable to run around in)

Please bring in: individual bags of crisps, individual cakes/cake bars, fizzy drinks, juice, fruit, biscuits

No products containing nuts or that MAY contain nuts please

All food/drink to arrive in classrooms by Monday 14th

We cannot accept items after this date as they need to be quarantined.

Christmas Hat Competition

There is still time to enter the Christmas Hat Competition. Design and make a Christmas hat at home, then bring it into school by **Monday 14th December 2020**. All entries will be judged by our esteemed panel of School Councillors.

The best hats in each year group will win a prize! There will be a **£1** entry fee, which will go towards our fund for to re-development the school playground.

We can't wait to see your fancy festive fedoras!



Articles 29 and 31: Every child has the right to a quality education and to enjoy cultural activities.

Diary Dates

Mon 14th December: Last day for RAMP donations, Christmas Hat entries and party food donations.

Thurs 17th December: Christmas Jumper Day

Thurs 17th December: Traditional Christmas Dinner



Fri 18th December: Last day of term

Fri 18th December: Online Christmas Pantomime (kindly funded by the Friends of Godwin PTA)

Fri 18th December: Class Parties

Tues 5th January School re-opens to pupils



Achievement Awards

- 3B – Aby for always behaving impeccably well and working to the best of his ability.
- 3K – Jacob for persevering during assessment week and having an excellent attitude to learning.
- 3M – Raphael for persevering during every assessment.
- 3Q – Uworth for persevering during our assessments – well done!
- 4B – Yahya for his excellent progress in his reading and comprehension.
- 4I – Aiza for trying her hardest, even when she finds things difficult.
- 4T – Maria for representing Godwin so eloquently in the ‘Children’s Rights Inquiry’.
- 4V – Isaac for collaborating and persevering with his learning.
- 5K – Kaela for always showing consideration for others.
- 5S – Ayaan for embracing mistakes and improving his learning behaviour.
- 5T – Zaina for considering her choices and thinking of others.
- 5Y – Maryam for considering her choices and embracing mistakes.
- 6B – Ikran for perseverance and embracing mistakes to improve her writing.
- 6J – Madina for making the best choices at school and trying her hardest.
- 6W – Kloe for demonstrating excellent oracy skills.
- 6Z – Sumayyah for being an excellent leaning partner.



Winter Reading Challenge

Did your family enjoy the Summer Reading Challenge?

Over the Christmas holiday, children can join the Winter Reading Challenge, which is accessible online at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>. Children can unlock virtual rewards and take part in games, quizzes and activities. The challenge will also run physically in Newham Libraries, where children can fill in details in their own reading folder, earning stickers and certificates.

Entrants need to read three books and it is open to children of any age. This year's theme is very aptly 'Everyone a Hero' and the designs used are from Knights of Publishers.

Our local libraries are also running a drawing and writing competition and children can pick up their entry forms at any Newham library. Ages 3+ for drawing and 5+ for the writing competition. Winners will receive a prize and a certificate.



Friends of Godwin PTA

Raise Money for our school and be in with a chance to win a 10 inch 32GB Samsung Tablet!

The Godwin PTA have registered with a site called easyfundraising, which means you can now raise money for the school at absolutely no cost to you when you shop online!

Easyfundraising has over 4,000 shops and sites which will donate to us at no extra cost to you. This includes lots of big name retailers like Amazon, John Lewis, Argos, Uswitch, eBay, M&S, Just Eat, Now TV, Domino's Pizza and Audible. All you have to do is sign up to support us using the link below – sign up is super easy too! Every time you shop online, go through the easyfundraising website or App and we will receive a % of your spend as a **free** donation, at no cost to you or us!

These donations really mount up and make a ****BIG**** difference! You can find our easyfundraising page at: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofgodwinpta/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e1

Alternatively there is also an easyfundraising app which is available to download on your phone.

****Competition Time****

To encourage sign up and as a thank you Godwin PTA are offering all parents the chance to win a top prize of a 10 inch 32GB Samsung Tablet, 2nd prize is a large hamper and a small hamper for 3rd prize! Once we have reached a total donation award of £250 we will be popping all registered users who have used the site and generated a donation in to a raffle! Any users who have generate more than £5 in donations will have more chances of winning as they will be entered again for every extra pound received in donation from them. What better time to use the link to do all your online Christmas and New Year sale shopping and get those entries in!

Good luck and thank you from Godwin PTA!



Important Information

Newham, along with other London boroughs, is back in the Covid-19 restriction category Tier 2.

What does this mean for the Godwin community?

- School remains open as normal
- People must not meet with anybody outside their household or support bubble in **any indoor setting**, whether at home or in a public place.
 - The “Rule of Six” will continue to apply outdoors.

You can find more details on this new level at

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-covid-alert-level-high>

Please remember to follow all of the advised safety advice to help prevent the spread of the virus –

1. Wash your hands regularly with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds (or if water is not available use anti-bacterial hand sanitiser).
2. Wear a face mask – especially in enclosed places such as shops and where there are lots of people; this includes when you come into the school playground to drop-off or collect your child.
3. Keep a safe distance from other people – preferably 2 metres or 1 metre with extra precautions; again this includes in the school playground.

If anyone in your household displays any of the symptoms of Covid-19, they must get a test as soon as possible and ALL members of the household must isolate for 14 days or until a negative test is received.

Remember: You only need ONE symptom to be required to isolate and get a test.

To book a test go to <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Please inform the school office as soon as possible if anyone in your household displays symptoms.

