



Godwin Newsletter 12th February 2021

Head Teacher's Message

What a half term it has been! When we broke up in December we anticipated all being back at school in January...how much has happened since then!

In assemblies this week we focused on the importance of children's mental health and discussed the importance of talking about feelings and spending time doing things which allow us to express our emotions – whether this is through music, dance, art, creative writing or any other medium.

There has been some absolutely stunning poetry produced this week. Please look at the school website to enjoy the children's imaginative work.

The art and design work children have produced has also demonstrated the importance of planning and refining ideas to make amazing end products – please do look at the photographs which showcase their skills:

www.godwin.newham.sch.uk/photos

As we have said previously, online safety is even more important when children are spending more time using devices. Please view a workshop we held for parents and carers with practical ideas on how to manage security settings at home: www.godwin.newham.sch.uk/e-safety

School re-opens only for vulnerable children and the children of critical workers on Monday 22nd February. Online learning will also start at 9am on this day.

Thank you for your support this half term. We wish you all a happy break!

Questionnaire

TODAY is your last chance to complete the questionnaire on Remote Learning. 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.

Thank you.

#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)

Achievement Awards

3B – Piersavio for perseverance in all tasks.

3K – Eloise for considering her choices and writing some excellent poetry.

Isaac A for having a great week in our maths lessons and clearly explaining his answers.

3M – Nora for creating a collection of beautiful poems.

3Q – Alfie for persevering in English this week. Well done for writing a great poem. We are very proud of your efforts.

4B – Aleena for persevering with her learning on Google Classroom and always maintaining a positive attitude to her learning.

4I – Zubairah for always trying her best and persevering.

Arwen for showing great perseverance and embracing her mistakes whilst learning.

4T – Zhiqi for going the extra mile and persevering with her learning.

4V – Vincentas for writing a well-considered and thought out poem.

5K – Sahib for considering his choices with his learning and putting in the extra effort with GC this week.

Saniyah for her perseverance with her learning. She has really learnt to embrace her mistakes and has made me proud.

5S – Esme for being a curious learner and applying herself to all tasks set on Google Classroom.

5T – Henrique for continuously working hard on Google Classroom and putting in maximum effort to complete his task.

5Y – Francisco for his increased enthusiasm and perseverance in completing all his tasks to the best of his ability.

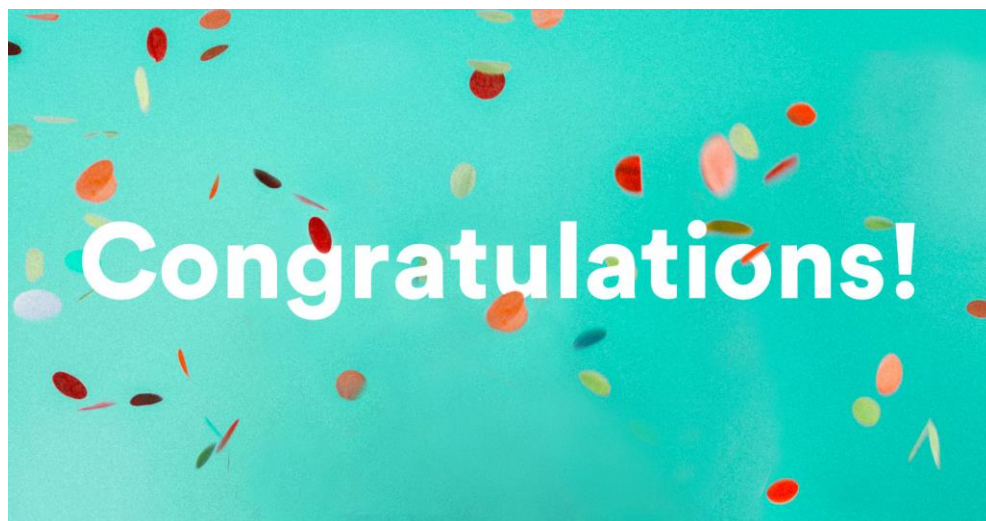
6B – Ikran for perseverance and working hard in the Zoom maths group.

Adam for being curious and always having a fantastic attitude to learning.

6J – Ana Clara for choosing to respond to her RE learning with thought provoking work and ideas.

6W – Bea for thoughtful use of metaphor when reflecting on the concept of life in RE.

6Z – Tanaka for her thought-provoking submissions this week, especially during RE.



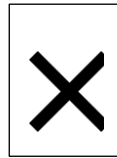
Art Competiton (Deadline 19th February!)

'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.**

Covid-19 Vaccination

NHS England has produced information videos in 14 different community languages concerning the Covid-19 vaccination.

The videos can be found at

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/london/our-work/covid-19-vaccine-communication-materials/>



Vaccine Poster Competition

Newham council are inviting all young people aged 5-18 years old to enter this competition over half term.

The posters will be used on the council's social media, website and in the Newham Recorder to increase the take up of vaccination in Newham.

Design a poster (portrait style only) outlining the importance of having the COVID-19 vaccination

Entries should be received as photos of the posters.

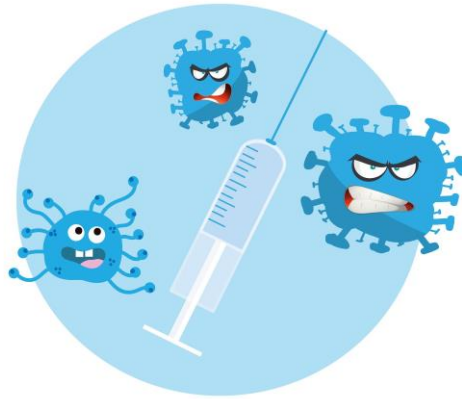
Also posters in languages other than English can be submitted.

CLOSING DATE: 25 February 2021

Email: racha.fayad@newham.gov.uk

To find out more and to enter visit:

www.newham.gov.uk/ActivitiesForYoungPeople



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>



Mental Health Toolkit

As today we are recognising mental health, we thought some of you might be interested in the following site:

BBC - HEADROOM - Your Mental Health Toolkit

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/YfRzhXDKSZQxFVn30TIXBj/your-mental-health-toolkit>

It looks a great place to go for all sorts of different information: activities to boost your mood; essential everyday tips; personal mental health stories etc.

A bit of something for everyone.



Together For Our Planet

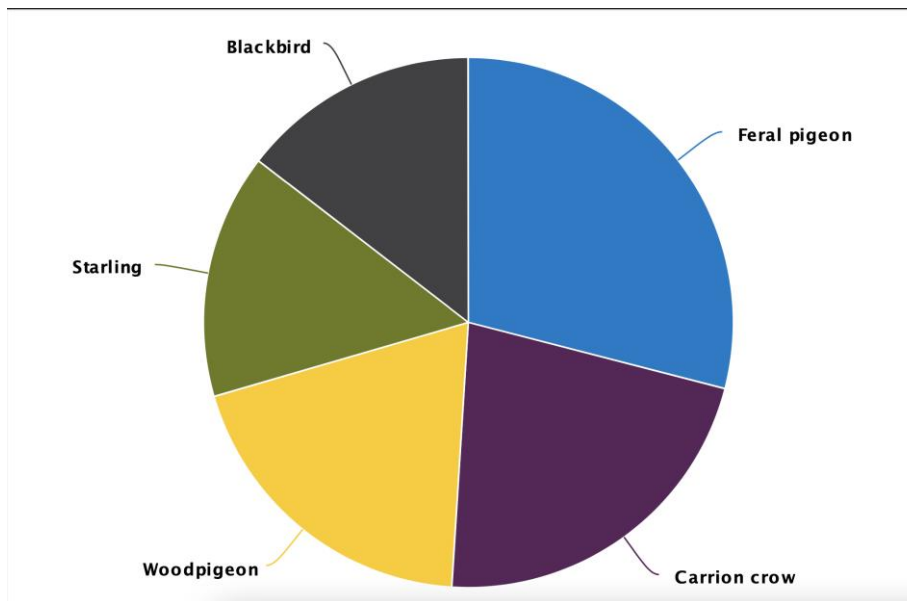
The UK government is hosting COP-26 in Glasgow this year - a large gathering of world leaders to discuss climate change issues. As part of this event, they have called on you (children) to present world leaders with your vision of what the world should look like. If you would like to have your ideas and opinions included in this global meeting on slowing/reducing climate change (articles 12, 13 UNCRC) then please ask your parent/carer to sign the competition form and help you to send your design to the UK government by email. This will help us to build on the work that we did during our outright day in November. Details on how to enter the competition can be found at:

<https://together-for-our-planet.ukcop26.org/creative-earth/>

Do let us know if you enter the competition especially if you win one of the special prizes too! Do your bit and express yourself as well as having your voice heard on climate change.



BIG Garden Bird Watch



Thanks to all the Godwin Children who submitted their data for the Big Garden Bird Watch. Here is a breakdown of the birds that were spotted. We also got a certificate in recognition of our participation. Thanks for participating in the UNCRC Article 29 activity and playing your part to ensure that life on land is preserved (SDG 15).

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>

