



# Godwin Newsletter - 15th March 2024

preparing pupils for lifelong success



## Head Teacher's Message

Thank you so much for helping our pupils become responsible global citizens. Godwin's Tin Tower was great fun to build and our local foodbank was delighted to receive our donation - it will make a big difference to families in Forest Gate.



Thank you also for contributing to Comic Relief via our Just Giving page ([click here](#)).

It has been exciting watching the total amount increase - we wonder how much we can raise!!!

The after-school clubs brochure will go out next week. We are proud of the range of activities that we are able to offer and of the fact that children eligible for Pupil Premium payments can participate at no cost. However, with our school budget the most difficult to balance that it has ever been, please can we ask families to only accept a place at clubs that their child will actually attend and to pay promptly if there is a fee attached. This will ensure that our clubs are self-financing and that we are able to continue with this provision. Thank you for your support with this.

### Important Dates

**Friday 22nd March**

Wear it Wild Day for WWF

**Thursday 28th March**

Last day before the Easter Holiday

**Monday 15th April**

First day of the summer term

### NO NUT OR SESAME PRODUCTS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Please never send food containing nuts or sesame to school with your child. This includes lunches for educational visits and after-school snacks.

**The only acceptable snacks for break time or before clubs are fresh fruit and vegetables. Please do not allow your child to bring other items.**

# GODWIN EASTER RAFFLE



LOTS OF PRIZES -  
GIANT TEDDY BEAR,  
EASTER EGGS,  
EASTER HAMPER AND MORE!





You will remember that on World Book Day, a small number of our Year 5 pupils visited West Ham Library and were interviewed there by Newsround.

The producers were very complimentary about all the children and say that the segment is planned to broadcast next Thursday 21st (although the date might change depending on what else happens in the news).

It will be live on the Newsround bulletin which starts at 7.45am and then available on iPlayer and online for 24 hours. The video will also stay online on the Newsround website after the bulletin, available to watch online whenever you'd like.

Please do tune in to hear what Godwin's pupils have to say about the future of libraries.

Over the past year, the online world has changed significantly with the emergence of Generative AI tools like ChatGPT and Dall-E.

Whether you're aware of these tools already or not, it's important to understand how best to discuss these topics with children. Our online safety partner Natterhub have prepared some guidance for parents and carers around this complex issue; please scan the QR code or click [here](#) to access the guide.



# A notice from our School Council:

## New Competition

### A notice from our School Council:

For the competition, you need to write either a poem or story about the environment!



Submit your entry to your class teacher by the first week back after the Easter Holidays.

The deadline is Wednesday 17th April

This is to add to a collaborative book with our Indian counterpart school, EuroSchool Bannerghatta.



AIMS OF EDUCATION

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**WELL DONE  
GODWIN! OUR  
BATTERY COUNT  
THIS WEEK IS: 338**



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# BIG BATTERY HUNT

*If we win, we get money  
to upgrade the playground!*



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HEALTH,  
WATER, FOOD,  
ENVIRONMENT

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AIMS OF  
EDUCATION

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CLIMATE  
ACTION**Deadline:** Wednesday 12th June 2024

If we collect the most batteries per student (on average) we will win **£3,500** for our school playground.

# On Track Writing Competition

This week our winner is Eloise from 5V, who has used repetition beautifully in her poem:

## The Train

We collect the passengers,  
We collect the tickets,  
We collect the luggage,  
And then we deliver them.

We pass the stations,  
We pass trees and ponds,  
We pass the playground  
And hear the children roar.

We hear the passengers chatter,  
We hear the clickety clack,  
We hear the thumping and bumping  
As we go over the railway track.

At the end of the day when  
All the hustle and bustle is over,

I head back to the depot and dream of MEXICO!



**BREAKING NEWS**

# TAKE CONTROL

## Youth Citizens Assembly

### Theme: Elections

Date: Thursday 28th March

Venue: UEL Docklands Campus  
University Way  
E16 2RD

Times:  
4:30-  
8:30pm

Ages  
9-25



For details contact Cassandra on 07967782623 or [cassandra.delisser@newham.gov.uk](mailto:cassandra.delisser@newham.gov.uk)



# WEAR IT WILD

## GET FIERCE FOR YOUR WORLD

15 LIFE ON LAND

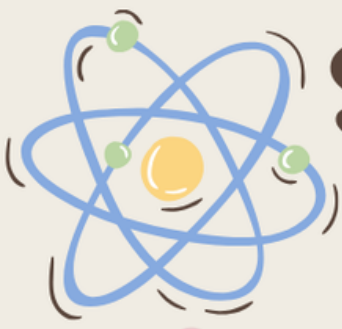


Year 4 is leading a charity event in support of the World Wildlife Fund. On Friday 22nd March, they encourage the whole school to dress in animal-inspired outfits. This could be a whole costume or simply an animal-print item of clothing.

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Bring £1 if you can to donate to this worthwhile charity.



# SCIENCE WEEK POSTER COMPETITION



The British Science Week 2024 poster competition is open now!

The theme this year is 'Time', – there are loads of STEM topics to explore!

You could create a poster showing how a certain type of technology has changed over time, or even the advancement of time-telling technology itself. What about going futuristic and show us how you think the world might look in years to come, or perhaps look at nature: lifecycles, lifespans, evolution and hibernation.

Nature is full of timely topics!

**Posters must be submitted to class teachers by Wednesday 20th March 2024. Please write your name and class on the back of your submission.**

See a full list of prizes and rules here:  
<https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/>







*Calling all Godwin Students, are you ready for Red Nose Day? Let's get silly and do something daft! Our mission: to raise smiles, laughter, and lots of cash for those in need. This year, please bring in tins of food for the local food bank. We can't wait to see how tall our towers of donations will be!*

*Comic Relief was founded in 1985 by comedian Sir Lenny Henry and comedy scriptwriter Richard Curtis. Their idea? Get comedians to make us laugh while raising money to help people affected by poverty, conflict, and climate change in the UK and worldwide.*

*Supporting Comic Relief means supporting a world where everyone has the right to a decent life free from poverty (**Article 29 UNCRRC**, **SDG 1**) and the negative impacts of climate change (**SDG13**). Let's make a difference together!*



## 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 Young Minds:  
<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

*"Only in the darkness can you see the stars." Martin Luther King, Jr*

# Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	98%
3Z	86%
3Y	86%
3J	100% ★
4K	95%
4B	99%
4I	94%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5V	95%
5O	91%
5T	96%
6W	96%
6K	91%
6M	91%
average	94%

for the week  
beginning  
Monday 4th  
March



**Whole school attendance for the year to date is currently 93.8%. This is more than 2% below our target. Please help us to reach our target by ensuring that your child is in school every day.**

## Attendance Cup

Massive congratulations to 3J for 100% attendance last week. Fantastic!



## Punctuality Cup

3Z won the cup this week as they were all on time each day.



## Times Table

### Rock Stars

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



## Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 3J, 4B and 6K.





# Achievement Awards

- 3Y - Lola: for always showing curiosity in her learning and persevering to do her best in class
- 3J - Eesa: for choosing to always participate fully in school activities
- 3K - Harzan: for always considering her choices and being a role model to her peers
- 3Z - Cherry: for considering her choices in her learning this week
- 4K - Sage: for persevering with her handwriting and presentation
- 4I - Gabriel: for persevering in his learning and working well collaboratively
- 4B - Goldie: for persevering in her learning this week and treating others with kindness
- 5O - O'Neil: for incredible perseverance in his writing this week
- 5V - Charlotte: for persevering and collaborating incredibly well in all areas of the curriculum
- 5T - Alycia: for persevering in English while writing an investigative report
- 6W - Nathan: for excellent perseverance throughout the week
- 6K - Manraj: for an excellent piece of independent writing
- 6M - Mia: for fantastic collaboration in creating a dance sequence in PE



# Godwin Junior School 2023-24



School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

SEPTEMBER 2023							OCTOBER 2023							NOVEMBER 2023							DECEMBER 2023										
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# Godwin Junior School 2024-25



School Holiday	Bank Holiday	INSET Day
	Pupil Day	

SEPTEMBER 2024							OCTOBER 2024							NOVEMBER 2024							DECEMBER 2024						
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18 Pupil Days	21 Staff Days	19 Pupil Days	19 Staff Days	19 Pupil Days	19 Staff Days																						

JANUARY 2025							FEBRUARY 2025							MARCH 2025							APRIL 2025						
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16 Pupil Days	16 Staff Days	21 Pupil Days	21 Staff Days	21 Pupil Days	21 Staff Days																						

Total:

- Autumn Term: 75 Pupil Days
- Spring Term: 60 Pupil Days
- Summer Term: 60 Pupil Days
- Grand Total: 195 Pupil Days