



# Godwin Newsletter 29th April 2016



## Bank Holiday



Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

School will be closed for the Bank Holiday.

We wish all our children and their families a safe enjoyable day.

## Debate Mate

Next week the Wednesday and Friday Debate Mate groups WILL be meeting after school.

## Fencing After School Club

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Fencing club Cancelled

## Lost Property

Has your child lost a coat or bag?

Please remember to have a look in the lost property box in the medical room to find any missing items.

## Day for Change 2016

Day for Change is Unicef UK's fundraising campaign.

The children of year 6 are supporting this event and invite you all to support their fundraising effort by collecting your loose change at home in a jar and then bringing it in to school on

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

All monies raised will help Syrian children who have been affected by the conflict which has raged for over five years.



## Debate Mate

This week 4 teams from Godwin Junior School went to compete in the London Primary Debate Mate Cup 2016, against 30 different teams. Everyone did extremely well. The 3 motions we all debated were: ban all toys and videos games relating to war, ban animal testing and force everyone to do at least 2 hours of sport every week.

The rules of debating allow 5 minutes for planning and then 3 minutes for the speech.

One Godwin team did particularly well. As we waited for the results we thought our chances were slim. Ravenscroft Primary was announced as second place, then it was announced that first place in London was awarded to Godwin Junior!



Our team then had to debate against Ravenscroft Primary. The motion was to ban homework and we had to debate against the motion. After planning we debated for 24 minutes!

As we waited for the results our hearts were pounding!

Then the announcement; Godwin Junior were the London winners and through to the national finals.

By the winning team

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Many congratulations to all Godwin Debate Mate teams and good luck to the winning team in the national finals later this year.

## Diary Dates

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Bank holiday – school closed

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs week

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half term holiday

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Eid-ul-Fitr – school closed

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Staff INSET – School closed to pupils

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day of academic year