



Godwin Newsletter - 9th June 2023

preparing pupils for lifelong success



Head Teacher's Message



This week we have all enjoyed the warmer weather, which has been particularly lovely given all our educational visits. With trips to the Houses of Parliament, Carpenter's Lock and Mudchute Farm, it had been a busy and exciting few days.

Our team of fantastic spellers also participated in the Semi-Finals of the Newham Spelling Bee, held at Elmhurst Primary. They should be very proud of the work they put into preparing and of their friendly and sporting behaviour throughout the day.

We would also like to congratulate the Year 5 pupils who recently completed their Level 1 and 2 Bikeability training, enhancing their skills and knowledge to keep themselves safe on the road.

With best wishes for a pleasant weekend.



One of the best ways for your child to keep their brain active during the summer is reading. Children who engage with books regularly over the break are much less likely to fall into a 'summer slump', meaning they make a positive start to the next school year.



Ready, Set, Read!

The library service's Summer Reading Challenge can provide extra motivation to make sure this happens.

Children can join the Challenge at our local library and take part in person. A librarian will give them a special collector folder, stickers and other incentives, as well as assisting with finding books to read.

Alternatively, they can take part in the Challenge online by signing up at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>. They'll set a reading goal and log their books on the website. Reaching it unlocks a virtual badge and certificate.

The first few Godwin classes visited The Gate Library this week, ensuring all the children know about the challenge and have borrowed some books to get them started. We really hope your family takes part.



“Books are a uniquely portable magic.”

Stephen King



We loved our Fun Fitness Day with international athlete Frederick Afrifa. The children showed lots of perseverance during the challenges and listened beautifully during Fred's assemblies, where he explained that the secret to reaching your goals is to *keep moving forward*.

Sponsorship money should be returned to school by Thursday 15th June.



BOOK SIGNING

SATURDAY 1st July - BEFORE & AFTER the 3pm SHOW



THE HERO NEXT DOOR



Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to meet the author
Onjali Q. Rauf, and buy one of her books from
Newham Bookshop's book stand, and have it signed.

PLEASE NOTE: Book signing for show ticket holders

STRATFORD YOUTH ZONE

Check www.heronextdoor.co.uk website for details

After-School Club September 2023

Due to sufficient Expressions of Interest from parents and carers, we are pleased to inform you about a new provision for an afterschool “wrap-around” club starting in September 2023. The Ofsted-registered care facility will be delivered by Premier Education and based on the premises at Godwin Junior School.

Premier Education have been supporting the physical education and extra-curricular provision at Godwin for almost 10 years, delivering curricular PE lessons, lunch-time supervision and after-school sports clubs. Premier Education will offer “wrap around” child-care from 3.35 – 5:45pm each day at a cost of £14 per session (minimum booking 2 days per week).

Due to the Expressions of Interest we have received, Premier has started the process of applying for Ofsted registration for this setting. We hope this will be ratified in time for the beginning of the Autumn term.

Please be aware that the after-school club can only run if it is financially viable and unfortunately will have to close if the bookings fail to materialise.

Parents/Carers who have expressed an interest will receive notification that bookings can be made via our portal and there will also be an announcement via the school newsletter:

www.premier-education.com

We are looking forward to providing a safe, secure and fun environment for the children at Godwin Junior School.

Michael Johnson

Area Director

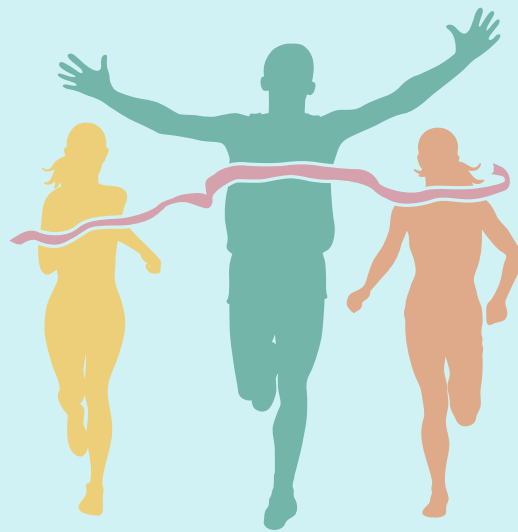
Dates for Your Diary.

Parent/Carer and SLT
Coffee and Chai meeting
- Mon 19th June 9am



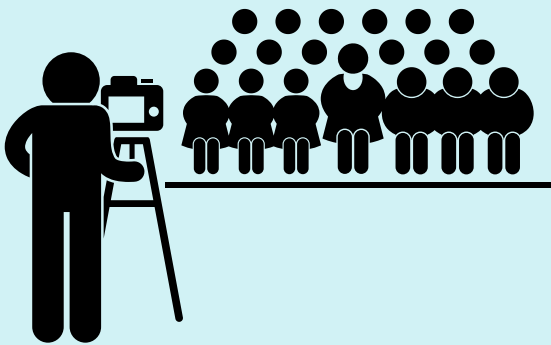
Please let us know any themes
you would like to discuss.

Year 3 sports day - Weds 19th July pm
Year 4 sports day - Mon 17th July pm
Year 5 sports day - Mon 17th July am
Year 6 sports day - Weds 19th July am



Join us on
Wanstead
Flats to
cheer the
children
on!

Class Photographs -
Monday 26th June



Year 6 production -
Mon 17th and Tues
18th July (evening)



Year 3 - 5 music
assemblies - Tues 11th
July times TBC



Year 6 disco -
Weds 19th July
(evening)



Summer Reading Challenge

After half term, each class will be visiting The Gate Library to kick off the summer reading challenge.

Please ensure your child brings their library card to school that day. If they have lost their card, we will issue them a new one.

3B - Monday 5th June ✓

3I - Monday 12th June

3K - Friday 16th June

3Z - Friday 16th June

4Z - Thursday 8th June ✓

4T - Thursday 6th July

4Y - Thursday 22nd June

4K - Friday 7th July

5J - Tuesday 13th June

5V - Monday 26th June

5M - Friday 30th June

6O - Monday 26th June

6B - Monday 19th June

6K - Monday 19th June

6W - Monday 3rd July





WE ARE CARING.



WE ARE NEWHAM.



NEWHAM CARERS FESTIVAL

An event to recognise, support and celebrate the borough's amazing unpaid carers



Sunday 11th June 2023, 1pm - 4pm
The Resource Centre, Chargeable Lane,
Plaistow, London, E13 8DW

www.eventbrite.com/e/newham-carers-festival-tickets-626958097547





THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK



Eco7 LITTER PICK
Meet at
CHILDREN'S
PLAYGROUND,
West Ham Parkj,
Upton Lane, E7



11am, Sunday,
11th June

We'll start at the Park and walk down Upton Lane to the Romford Road and then continue down Woodgrange Road to the Marketplace at Sebert Road. You can join in and peel off wherever it suits you!

We supply everything you need - even mini litter pickers for your little ones (they'll love it!).





Teachers2Parents - Apps on Google Play

Keeping parents & guardians updated with important updates from schools.

The Teachers2Parents App is a free-to-download messaging app for viewing messages received from your child's school and providing additional information about the school. The app is divided into three main sections: Messages, Term Calendar and Noticeboard:

- **Messages** contains all the messages that you have received from the school and will notify you when you receive a new one.
- **Term Calendar** includes the term dates the school has posted.
- **Noticeboard** contains general announcements to inform app users like you about important school events and information.

How to Download and Register

1. Go to Google Play (Android) or App Store (iPhone)
2. Search for 'Teachers2Parents'
3. Download the free Teachers2Parents App
4. Enter your mobile number e.g. 07532542423.
5. It will send you a Verification Code which you enter on the next screen
6. You will then see a welcome message providing information on each section
7. Once completed (or skipped), you can now use the Teachers2Parents App.

If you receive the error message "The number you have provided was not recognized" then you should double-check with the school that the mobile number you are entering is the one saved for your child in their Teachers2Parents Text Service.

Once you have downloaded and registered with the Teachers2Parents App, you will no longer receive SMS messages from the school. Instead you will receive messages directly to the app via your phone data or Wi-Fi connection.

This half term, our weekly competition invites children to create a poem of their own. Entry forms like the one seen below are available in all classrooms.



Use the space below to write an original poem. Some poets write about the nature they see around them, their family and friends, something they love or big issues that they care about. You can pick any topic you like and create any type of poem. Hand this entry form to Ms Smith. One winner will be chosen every Friday.

Name: _____ Class: _____

People Powered Forest Gate & Maryland



Make your ideas happen, join your local 'Our Solutions' event to improve your neighbourhood.
Our solutions: Monday 3 July 2023, 6-8pm | The Gate Library, 2-6 Woodgrange Road, E7 0QH



This event is hybrid. Scan QR code for details or just turn up.
For more info, call 020 3373 0856
<https://OurSolutionsForestGateMaryland.eventbrite.com>

**YOUR VOICES.
YOUR CHOICES.
YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD.**



Article of the Week



Child labour is considered unacceptable because it jeopardises children's rights. The United Nations-established International Labour Organisation (ILO) established the World Day Against Child Labour in 2002. On June 12th, this annual event raises global awareness and promotes the fight against child labour.

*Most children in the United Kingdom cannot imagine the difficulties that working children face. Examining **Articles 32** and **35** of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) sheds light on the negative consequences of child labour. **Article 32** protects children from economic exploitation and hazardous work, while **Article 35** emphasises abduction, trafficking, and exploitation prevention. Let us take action by educating ourselves, raising awareness, and supporting the anti-child labour movement in order to ensure every child's right to a safe and free childhood.*

What can we as a school do to help eradicate child labour?

Mindfulness Corner

Every Friday we will share a link to a different group or organisation with resources for mental health and wellbeing. (Just so you know, we are not endorsing any particular site nor are we ambassadors for it - but we are simply providing pointers towards sites that might be interesting/helpful).



This week we feature mental health support from Mind:

<http://www.mind.org.uk>

"If you feel good about who you are, it will radiate." *Patti Smith*

Reading volunteers

Are you able to spare some time to read with children who need extra support?

Reading volunteers make a huge difference to children who are not yet confident readers or who don't have an adult to regularly read with at home.

Cathy, who has been reading with our children this year, wanted to share her experience with you:

Many years ago, my local primary school appealed for adult helpers to listen to children read. Once a week I would pop around the front of the school, after seeing my own children in through the playground.

An hour of sitting listening to children read their reading book: children who, due to a variety of circumstances, did not have anyone to listen to them at home; children who stumbled through and just needed a patient, non-judgemental ear to let them make mistakes and learn to correct themselves; children who were growing in confidence and just needed the practice and encouragement to help them fly. It was an hour well spent – for them and for me. Volunteering is always good for mental health (especially when you are home-based) and helping children can always bring a smile to your face.



I not only enjoyed it, it also allowed me to feel part of the school – always important when your own children spend so much time there. My children also directly benefitted – even now they still remember feeling proud that their mum was helping in the school (and the eldest is over 35!) and I think it helped the younger one settle in more happily.

The other benefit was – it gave me the confidence to change profession and work in schools myself! I became a mentor, then a TA and then took the plunge into university and teacher training – a career I loved!

I absolutely recommend that you give it a go – whether mum, dad, carer, grandparent or whoever. For not much outlay – perhaps just one hour a week – there is so much to gain ... and to give!

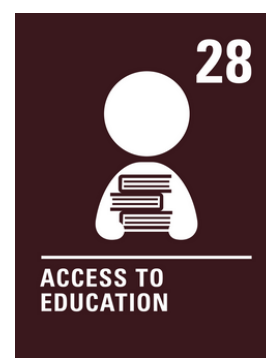
If you are able to make a regular commitment to helping Godwin children with their reading, please email us and we will be in touch: info@godwin.newham.sch.uk

Punctuality and Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3B	95%
3I	96%
3K	91%
3Z	97%
4Z	91%
4K	96%
4T	97%
4Y	95%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5M	98%
5J	98%
5V	93%
6O	98%
6K	82%
6B	93%
6W	99%
total	95%

for the week
beginning 22nd
May



Congratulations 6W on their 99% attendance, and well done to 5J, 5M and 6O for reaching 98%. Good job also to 3Z and 4T with 97%.

We would love to see more classes at 97% or above next week.

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



Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are:

4Z, 5J and 5M

Congratulations!





Achievement Awards

- 3B – Everyone: for their exceptional behaviour during the visit to The Gate Library
- 3K – Matei: for persevering with his handwriting and making sure it is neat
- 3I – Liam: for being a curious learner during the class visit to an apiary
- 3Z – Ziyad: for persevering in his learning
- 4K – Laura: for persevering across all subjects and challenging herself
- 4T – Ruby: for considering her choices and persevering in maths
- 4Y – Arslan: for working collaboratively and joining in class discussions during science lessons on the digestive system
- 4Z – Ibrahim: for persevering and collaborating with his group during performance poetry lessons
- 5J – Sidra: for making sensible choices that have allowed her learning to develop
- 5V – Araf: for collaborating very well with others and being very helpful in class
- 6W – Rudi: for persevering with his writing
- 6O – Aisha: for showing all Learning Powers across her lessons
- 6B – Hayaa: for perseverance with the concept of ratio
- 6K – Zeenat: for persevering in her English work this week