



Godwin Newsletter - 17th October 2025

preparing pupils for lifelong success



Head Teacher's Message

A group of our Pupil Parliamentarians presented at a UNICEF event this week. The feedback we received was phenomenal: "Everyone was so impressed with how confident and articulate the pupils were - it's not an easy task to get up and speak in front of 250 adults but they did it fantastically. Lots of people have fed back that it was the highlight of their day. They really were a credit to the school." A huge thank you to these pupils and to Ms Valle, who leads on global citizenship.

Happy Diwali for Monday!



Pupil Parliamentarians

Congratulation to all who participated and thank you to the year 6 election committee who diligently counted all the votes: Amy, Minha, Sage and Saif in Year 6.



Saul	3K	Eliei	5B
Nyla	3K	Emily	5B
Alessia	3L	Ahyaan B	5O
Alice	3L	Karamdeep	5O
Jasper	3M	Erica	5W
Lila-Rose	3M	Ali	5W
Billie	3V	Isaac C	6J
Isaiah	3V	Zach	6J
Fred	4I	Harris	6M
Livy	4I	Alex	6M
Agnes	4K	Beatrice	6Z
Isaac	4K	Jannatul	6Z
Ayaana	4T		
Sai	4T		
Anayah	4Y		
Inti	4Y		



As we approach the Festival of Lights, we take this opportunity to extend our warmest wishes to all members of our school community celebrating Diwali.

Diwali is a time to reflect on the triumph of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, and good over evil.

It reminds us of the importance of hope, compassion, and togetherness — values that resonate deeply within our school community.



FOODBANK



As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting our community, we are organising a collection for our local foodbank.

We invite all families who are able to, to help by donating non-perishable food items such as: tinned food, pasta, rice, cereal boxes, tea, coffee, jars of sauces and jams, baby food, formula milk etc

Your contributions will directly assist families in our community who are facing food insecurity. Donations will be accepted from Monday 20th October to Friday 7th November.

A collection bin will be located by the main gates to the school.

We sincerely appreciate your generosity and support in helping our children make a positive difference.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Coffee Morning with the Senior Leadership Team and Governors - Monday 20th October
- Flu vaccinations - Thursday 20th November - please see email sent on 9th October for more details



The guitars at Godwin Junior School urgently need replacing. To give the pupils at Godwin the chance to enjoy playing music, this project aims to raise £5000 to replace all 30 guitars with better instruments that will last years and encourage the children to have an interest in playing the guitar. If you can spare a donation, please scan the QR code. It will all help and go






SAVE!
THE DATE

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Mon 8th December 9:10 - 9:30 6J 9:40 - 10:00 6M 10:10 - 10:30 6Z	Mon 15th December 9:10 - 9:30 4K 9:40 - 10:00 4T 10:10 - 10:30 4Y 11:10 - 11:30 4I
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Please can we ask for your help in ensuring that children are dressed appropriately for school each day; flip flops and Crocs are unsuitable as they can easily slip off children's feet when they are running in the playground. Please can we also ask you to make sure that children aren't wearing jewellery in school, with the exception of stud earrings. This is for health and safety reasons, as well as to avoid upset if items are lost or broken. Thank you in advance for your support.



LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that your child's clothing is labelled with their name and class.

This will help us to return lost items without delay.

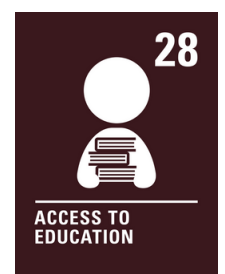
Reading Volunteers



Do you enjoy reading?
 Do you like to read with children?
 Do you have a couple of hours free each week?



We would love members of our local community to help us with our reading volunteer programme. Reading with a volunteer each week helps develop our children's ability to read, their confidence and their comprehension skills. It also promotes a love of reading for pleasure. If you are able to dedicate time each week, please email us with your details at: info@godwin.newham.sch.uk



Coffee Morning with the SLT

9:00 AM, MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER

**Come and join the Senior Leadership Team
and Governors for a coffee and a chat!**



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



We have just been informed about an exciting Black History Month event to meet Priscilla Ohene, the author of the Anaiyah series. This is taking place at Stratford Library on Friday 31st October

Places are limited, so if you are interested please go visit:

<https://www.newhamblackhistory.org/events/the-anaiyah-series-meet-the-author/>

Black History Month

Standing Firm in Power and Pride

Calling all Historians!

We invite you to research and retell the story of how a remarkable Black British individual, either from the past or present, has stood firm in power and pride, making a significant contribution to society. This could be an artist, activist, scientist, author or even someone you may know.

You can showcase your research in any written or creative format: fact file, creative writing, poster, 3D model, video presentation or even a song.

The choice is yours.

*Deadline for entries is Tuesday
4th November*



WELLBEING FAMILYWORKSHOPS 2025



Delivered by Wellbeing in Newham Schools (WINS) Team

- Workshops will focus on how you can support your child's wellbeing
- A space to learn about wellbeing, to discuss and chat with other parents/carers
- Ask Godwin's Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) any questions!

**ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF GODWIN JUNIOR
SCHOOL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!**

DATES & TOPICS:

- **24th September** – What is good wellbeing?
- **1st October** – Parental self care
- **8th October** – Managing my child's fears and worries
- **15th October** – Supporting my child's sleep routine
- **22nd October** – Keeping my child safe online

**WEDNESDAYS - 9:00am to 10am
with MONA RAHMAN**

For more information, please speak to the school office or
email: inclusion@godwin.newham.sch.uk

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 evaluation, which is the process of looking carefully at something to figure out its strengths and weaknesses. Why should we do this?

1. Being evaluative improves your learning. It is very rare to be great at something the first time you do it. If you can look back at how you have done and find ways to improve, you will massively increasing the speed at which you progress.
2. Evaluation can help us grow as people. Everyone makes mistakes, and it is really tempting to forget about them or pretend they didn't happen. However, if you're brave enough to examine your mistakes you can make sure you avoid the problem next time.
3. Evaluation helps you notice your victories. Sometimes, you don't notice that you've been improving, because it happens little by little. It could be a change in your behaviour, confidence or learning – ask your teachers and I'm sure they've noticed a lot since September! Being evaluative can help you see these improvements and give yourself a deserved pat on the back.

So don't be afraid to evaluate yourself or your learning. Take a good look at your strengths and the things you want to improve; it could help you make some big changes!





HAPPY SCHOOL BAG
SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



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Dear Parent and Guardian,

We are delighted to announce that our school will be holding a clothing collection with the **Happy School Bag Fundraising Scheme on 21st October 2025.**

This scheme is designed to help schools to raise needed funds and at the same time to help the environment by keeping textiles away from landfill and giving the clothing a new lease of life. To take part you simply need to fill the bag(s) with your unwanted clothing and bring them to the school by the scheduled collection day.

We accept:

- ☐ Adults and children's clothing
- ☐ Paired Shoes
- ☐ Fashion accessories
- ☐ Handbags, Belts
- ☐ Hats, Scarves
- ☐ Jewellery, Perfumes

We don't accept:

- ☐ Dirty, Damaged, Wet Clothes
- ☐ Uniforms, Underclothing
- ☐ Toys, Books, DVD's, CD's
- ☐ Duvets, Pillows, Household linen
- ☐ Carpets, Blankets, Curtains
- ☐ Bric-a-Brac

More clothing we manage to collect, the more funds our school can raise! The Happy School Bag van will be collecting from our school on **21st October 2025.**

Many thanks
Kind Regards



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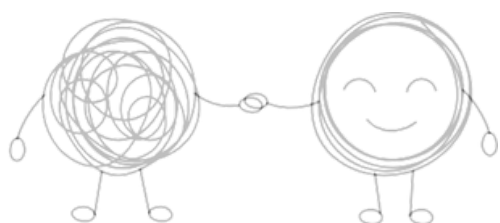


Newham Educational Psychology Service

Parent Advice Sessions with an Educational Psychologist (EP)



What are Parent Advice Sessions? The EPS ParentAdvice sessions are available to all parents and carers who are residents of Newham and would like to discuss any concerns about their child with an Educational Psychologist. This could include topics such as emotional well-being, challenging behaviours, learning progress, relationships with your child, or personal worries you may have as a parent.



These 45-minute sessions are designed to be supportive, confidential, and informal. Please note that these are one-off, stand-alone sessions and do not involve follow-up work. There is no criteria or threshold to access these sessions – they are completely free and open to all parents and carers who are residents of Newham.



Who are Educational Psychologists? Educational psychologists (EPs) are registered psychologists with the Health and Care Professionals Council (HCPC), with enhanced DBS checks. EPs work with children and young people (0-25 years old) in partnership with families, schools, and services to promote educational, social, and emotional development. **What do Newham Educational Psychologists do?** Newham's Educational Psychology Service (NEPS) offers psychological services including consultation, advice and training. NEPS input aims to support children & young people to help facilitate their development, including improving learning, understanding their own learning needs, identifying, managing & exploring their emotions, regulating their behaviours, developing their communication and interaction skills and forming/maintaining positive peer relationships. Working with adults who support young people is central to our model of working.



When?

Sessions run termly between 10:00 am and 12:30 pm via telephone, with three 45-minute sessions each morning:

- 10:00 – 10:45 am
- 10:50 – 11:35 am
- 11:40 am – 12:25 pm

Upcoming Parent Advice Sessions

Please book early to avoid disappointment

- 30th September 2025
- 21st October 2025
- 18th November 2025
- 16th December 2025
- Sessions for Spring and Summer Terms will be released nearer the time.

For bookings, please contact us via email or telephone at

Terrie.Turner@newham.gov.uk
0203 3373 9032

Please choose your preferred date and time. Sessions fill up quickly, so you may be offered another slot or added to a waitlist. You'll receive an email with further information, which we kindly ask you to reply to before your session.



JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

Stratford Park
Gooseley Playing
Fields

27th – 31st October 2025
12:00–2:30pm
5–15 years

Action packed holiday
camps with team
challenges, tennis skills,
games and prizes.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO
BOOK OR CLICK ON THE
LINK BELOW

[HTTPS://NATIONALTENNIS.ORG.UK/CAMPS/LONDON/](https://nationaltennis.org.uk/camps/london/)

CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION -
HELLO@NATIONALTENNIS.ORG.UK



Athletics for Young People

AUTUMN/WINTER 2025/6



Newham & Essex Beagles Academy

Sunday athletics sessions for young people

These coaching sessions will provide an introduction to Track & Field Athletics, as well as try-out, in a friendly and inclusive environment, supervised by qualified Newham & Essex Beagles coaches.

Sundays 31st August 2025 – 29th March 2026*

10:00-11:30 – School years 4 to 5 (minimum 8 years of age)

11:30-13:00 – School years 6 to 11+

NB: there will be 23 Sunday sessions up until 29th March 2026, but NO sessions on Sundays 14th & 21st September, 23rd November, 21st & 28th December 2025, 4th & 18th January or 1st March 2026.



London Marathon Community Track

Marshgate Lane, Stratford, E20 2AE

Cost : £8 per child per session
(non-refundable)



in partnership with



To find out more or book a place email beagles.academy@gmail.com giving your child's name, date of birth, school, year and contact details.

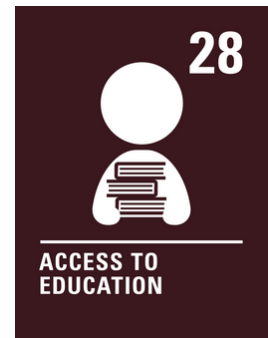
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Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	99.2%
3L	97.4%
3M	95.2%
3V	96.9%
4K	99.3%
4T	97.2%
4Y	98.0%
4I	96.2%

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
5W	99.3%
5O	99.6%
5B	98.8%
6Z	96.2%
6M	97.1%
6J	95.6%
average	97.5%

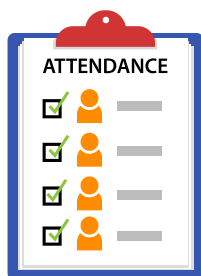
This attendance data is for the week beginning 6th October.



Thank you for supporting our pupils to be at school as much as possible.
At the moment, our whole-school attendance for the academic year is 96.4%.
Thank you for this!

Attendance Cup

Congratulations to 4K and 5O who won the attendance cups this week.



Punctuality Cup

Congratulations to 3V, 4Y and 5B who had no late marks at all. Well done!



Times Table

Rock Stars

4Y and 6J take the trophies this week. Keep it up!

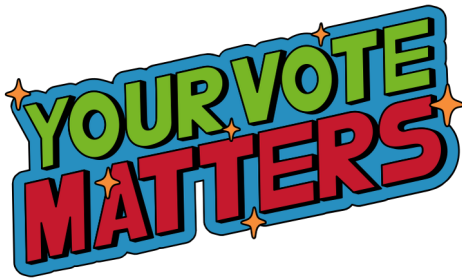


Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 3K and 6M.



Article of the Week



Pupil Parliament Elections: Your Voice, Your Vote

This week, at Godwin Junior School we will be holding elections for our Pupil Parliament. This is your chance to use your voice and choose representatives who will speak up for you.

Voting links to [Article 12](#) of the UNCRRC, which says every child has the right to share their views on matters that concern them. It also links to [Article 29](#), which reminds us that education should help you develop your talents and grow as a respectful leader.

This connects to **Sustainable Development Goal 4** (Quality Education), ensuring all children can make positive contributions to society.

How will you use your vote to make a difference at Godwin?



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).

GOOD THINKING

<https://www.good-thinking.uk/>

In a gentle way, you can shake the world.

Mahatma





Achievement Awards

3K - Aneira: for evaluating her writing and always trying her absolute best in everything

3L - Jannah: for prioritising her learning by collaborating with her learning partner and always considering her choices

3M - Leo: for consistently trying his best in all of his learning

3V - Mikael: for being an excellent role model and using all of the Learning Powers as well

4K - Mylo: for considering his choices, reflecting on and improving his behaviour

4T - Dorian: for considering his choices and making excellent learning choices during RE lessons

4Y - Anayah: for persevering in her writing and using feedback to improve it.

4I - Inamul: for being a curious learner and asking questions to learn more about a topic

5W - Rose: for excellently evaluating her learning in RE

5O - Margot: for consistently demonstrating the Learning Powers

5B - Eesa: for persevering in his writing this week and making good choices

6Z - Keyaan: for making excellent choices in class

6M - Sharleez: for evaluating her writing and making great improvements

6J - Ain: for always choosing to listen in order to develop her learning



Godwin Junior School 2025-26

School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

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Godwin Junior School 2026-27



School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

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