# Godwin Newsletter 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020

# **Head Teacher's Message**

Our Big Book Bash was great fun - please see the pictures on page two!!!

We're really looking forward to welcoming 6B and 3K back on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December – we've really missed you. Well done for being so focussed on your home learning!

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have been wearing masks when you drop off and collect your children. We are all doing our best to keep each other as safe as possible. Please also remember to keep socially distant from other households, especially at the end of the school day when the playground can be busy. If you are waiting to collect your child, please keep other children with you, please do not allow them to run around the playground as we don't want any accidents.

We know how difficult it can be to monitor your child's on-line time and navigating security settings can be a minefield. From talking with parents and carers, I know that you found our recent Online Safety workshop really useful. If you weren't able to join us then, please access a recording of this:

https://youtu.be/bxaGe6wj5xY

Because we take our responsibility towards keeping children safe on-line very seriously, we are following up this workshop with an on-line safety booklet which your child is bring home today. Please do read this and keep it for future reference – it has lots of practical tips on how to activate security settings, block particular users, report inappropriate behaviour etc.

Please can I also ask you to note the legal age at which these platforms are designed to be used. Most social media sites are not aimed at primary-schoolaged children and so the content can be inappropriate.

This then becomes an issue at school when children are discussing what they have seen or heard and takes up valuable teaching and leadership time when we have to resolve problems.

Thank you in advance for your support with this.
UNCRC Article 17: Children should be protected from materials which could harm them.

Wishing you a peaceful weekend.

# **Big Book Bash!**







Thank you so much to all of the children who took part in Godwin's first ever Big Book Bash this week (and to their parents/carers for making this happen!) It was great to see how much fun the children had dressing up - whether they were at school or learning at home - and we know that they really enjoyed the activities their teachers had prepared.





#### **Christmas Tree Express**

#### Christmas trees to help the Friends of Godwin PTA fund!

This weekend is the last chance to use the offer code!

Buy a real Christmas tree through <a href="www.christmastreeexpress.co.uk">www.christmastreeexpress.co.uk</a> this year and receive £5 off any tree PLUS a further £5 donation to the school!

Use this unique code: GODWIN when you place your order.

\*Code is valid until 29th November.



#### **Christmas Collection**

Many thanks to those who have already donated and helped to start our Christmas Collection supporting RAMP.

You can deliver donations to the collection points at the Cranmer and Godwin Road gates.

The usual items are well received; tinned goods, packet foods including cereals, biscuits, rice and pasta as well as nappies and baby formula.

Please be generous and ensure that the use by dates extend into 2021.



## **Christmas Advent Trail**

Tuesday 1st December sees the start of the Christmas Advent Trail sponsored by Ewe Move estate agents.

Windows will be decorated in a Christmas theme and will be unveiled throughout December. We will be providing an Advent Trail map on Monday to help you find them all! Look out for the Ewe Move boards outside houses to spot the Christmassy windows.

We would like to thank all the families who are participating and to Ewe Move who are making a donation to the school for our playground redevelopment project.



#### Gifts for Barnado's

As the festive period is fast approaching, our School Council has been thinking about those children who may not receive a gift this year. They ask that you bring in any unused and unopened games, toys or books that you may have sitting around at home being unloved.

It will make a difference to a child who may not otherwise enjoy a festive present. Please bring in your gifts to the school by 11th December. Please do not wrap them so that Barnado's can see what they are and give them to a

child who will enjoy them.







**UNCRC Articles 26 and 27:** Every child has the right to a standard of living that meets their physical and social needs.

## **Christmas Hat Competition**

The School Council are pleased to announce that they will be running a Christmas Hat competition. Children need to design and make a Christmas hat at home, then bring it into school by Monday 14th December 2020. All entries will be judged by our esteemed panel of School Councillors. The best hats in each year group will win a prize! There will be a £1 entry fee, which will go towards our fund for to re-development the school playground. We can't wait to see your fancy festive fedoras!







**Articles 29 and 31:** Every child has the right to a quality education and to enjoy cultural activities.

#### **Achievement Awards**

- 3B Piersavio for excellent colour mixing and fantastic learning behaviour.
- 3K -All of 3K for persevering with their home learning on google classroom.
- 3M Jace for persevering positively with his learning.
- 3Q Nobaira for settling well in 3Q and articulating her ideas during our anti-bullying assemblies.
- 4B Zainah for evaluating her learning in maths and challenging herself.
- 4I Jacob for being an excellent athlete in PE.
- 4T Mahima for evaluating her learning and making improvements.
- 4V Jasmine for embracing her mistakes when writing to make improvements.
- 5K Lucy for writing a fantastic story on our big book bash day.
- 5S Arif for making better choices about his learning.
- 5T Ayaan for his conscientious positive attitude towards his learning particularly in English.
- 5Y Ibrahim for persevering in his writing and considering his choices.
- 6B Alessia for demonstrating good use of her learning powers during home learning and being able to explain her reasoning in science.
- 6W Lucas for collaborating with team mates and being an excellent sportsman.
- 6Z Rayan for excellent engagement in all lessons.
- 6J Lamis for continued evaluation of her learning choices.

