

# Godwin Newsletter - 13th February 2025

preparing pupils for lifelong success



## Head Teacher's Message

We celebrated Children's Mental Health Week with our Pizza-Pick-Me-Up-Party last Friday. This was a lovely way to reinforce the message that mental wellbeing is as important as physical health and that talking about our worries can help. A few simple touches transformed our dining hall and our children enjoyed teachers acting as waiters for the day! The photos show how popular this was and so thank you to Ms Jones and Ms Aslam for making this such a success.

Internet Safety Week had us focus in particular on the theme of '*Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online*'. As part of our commitment to equip every pupil with the essential skills they will need to thrive in our ever-changing digital society, we invited the Met Police to meet with our Year 6 children and discuss Cyber Security. The sessions were both informative and engaging, with the importance of setting strong passwords being an area that we hope will have an immediate impact - Year 6 families, please ask your child to explain what they learned.

An enormous well done to all of the children who performed in our Raised Voices competition. In previous years, children had studied and then chosen particular speeches to deliver but this time it was all their own work. We know how passionate our pupils are about issues which affect them and our world; hearing the speeches they had written spoken with such confidence and conviction was breath-taking. Those families who attended the final this week were incredibly impressed by how articulate Godwin children are and how they are able to convey their points so persuasively. We will definitely be asking our pupils to share these speeches again in the near future. Thank you to Ms Smith for once again organising a high-quality experience for our children.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parent/Carer Conferences. It was lovely to see so many families and we hope that the opportunity to look through your child's books and discuss progress with their teacher was really informative. Apologies that staff illness meant we had to postpone some meetings - I'm sure you can appreciate that teachers are very susceptible to all of the bugs which are currently doing the rounds! We will contact those affected to reschedule appointments after the half-term break. This was the first time that we had tried an online booking system and so it would be useful for us to learn how this was for families - we know that some people had issues and we were happy to help them book appointments, but would appreciate your feedback in preparation for future events.

Thank you also to those who completed our Parent/Carer Survey. We asked the same questions that Ofsted do when they inspect schools in order to help us evaluate what we do and how we do it. We are collating your feedback and plan to share the results with you shortly after the half-term break. We are conducting a similar exercise with pupils - once again, using the questions that Ofsted ask. We will share the results with pupils and also with you next half term. If you would like to see what the pupil questions are, please click here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-inspections-staff-and-pupil-questionnaire-text>

Today, 14 of our Year 6 children are graduating from The Scholars Programme at Goldsmiths University. We are incredibly proud of the commitment they showed in order to each craft a 1000-word essay exploring ethical issues within archaeology. Working with a post-graduate who is an expert in this field, ignited in our pupils the desire to independently research and write dissertations on this theme which when assessed indicated that their critical thinking and organisational skills are significantly above those expected for their age. Well done to them all - we hope you enjoyed your special day!

As I'm sure you already know, school is closed to pupils tomorrow; we look forward to welcoming them back on Monday 24th February. We wish you all a happy week!



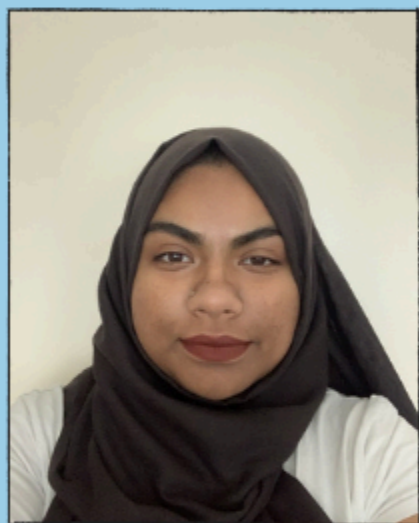


# THANK YOU

## We raised £403.40

**THE PTA WOULD LIKE TO SAY A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY  
FOR MAKING THE BAKE SALE SUCH A SUCCESSFUL EVENT.  
WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO DO THIS WITHOUT THE HELP  
AND SUPPORT OF  
PARENTS/CARERS, TEACHERS AND CHILDREN**

# Meet your Educational Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP)



Hi!

My name is **Mona Rahman**  
I am the EMHP at Godwin. I  
will be here every  
Wednesday!



## ABOUT MY ROLE:

Supporting children and families to  
look after their own emotional  
wellbeing

## AT GODWIN, I WILL BE:

- Working with parents 1-1 or in groups
- Delivering wellbeing workshops
- Supporting staff training
- Working with children in class

Please speak to Ms J Ince for more  
info

## FUN FACTS ABOUT ME!

### I ENJOY....

COOKING AND TRYING NEW  
FOOD



PHOTOGRAPHY

EXPLORING NEW PLACES



# WELLBEING PARENT WORKSHOPS 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:**

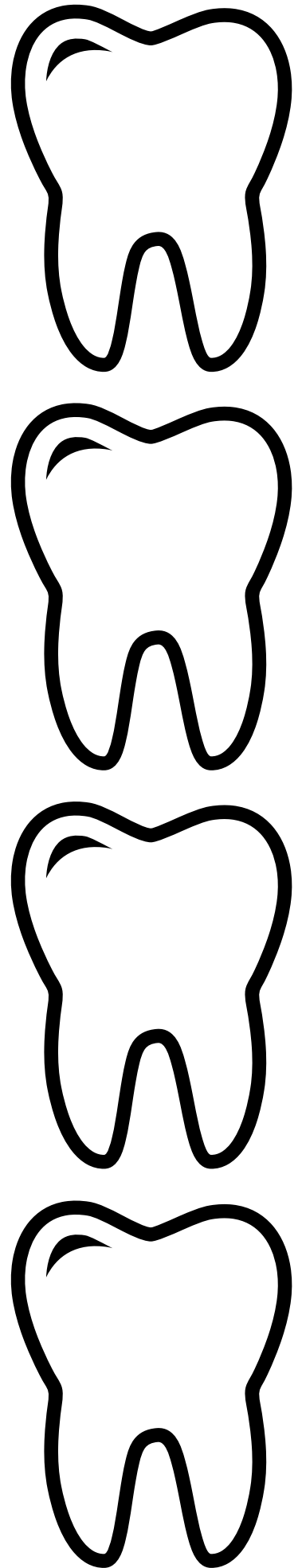
- **5th March** - What is good wellbeing? Introduction to WINS
- **19th March** - Building positive relationships with my child
- **2nd April** - Supporting my child with Exam Stress (Year 5/6)
- **23rd April** - Managing my child's behaviour at home
- **7th May** - Managing my child's anxieties at home
- **21st May** - What is parental self care?

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

For more information, please see Ms Ince or  
email: [inclusion@godwin.newham.sch.uk](mailto:inclusion@godwin.newham.sch.uk)

We kindly remind you to schedule your child's dentist appointments outside of school hours whenever possible. This helps to minimise disruption to their learning and ensures they get the most out of their day.

If an appointment during school hours is unavoidable due to an emergency, please inform the school in advance and provide a medical card, text or letter. Children are expected to only leave school for the period of the appointment.



# Whole-Class Attendance

CLASS	ATTENDANCE	CLASS	ATTENDANCE
3K	91%	5V	98%
3Z	99%	5I	95%
3M	98%	5W	93%
3J	96%	6K	100%
4K	96%	6M	98%
4T	91%	6O	98%
4Y	96%	average	96%

This attendance data is for the week beginning 3rd February.



**At the moment, our whole-school attendance for the academic year is 95.7%. Please help us to reach our target of 96%.**

## Attendance Cup

**Well done to 6K for an amazing 100% attendance!** Congratulations to 3Z, 3M, 3J, 4K, 4Y, 5V, 6M and 6O for meeting or exceeding the whole-school attendance target of 96%. Keep it up!

## Punctuality Cup

Congratulations to 6M and 6O who had no late marks last week.



## Times Table

### Rock Stars

4Y and 5W take the trophies this week. Keep it up!



## Lining Up Cup

This week's winners are 3Z and 5W. Well done!





This year, *on 11th February*, we will observe Safer Internet Day. This day is dedicated to promoting the safe, responsible, and positive use of digital technology. In 2025, the theme is *'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'*. This week's events highlight the importance of online safety, focusing on:

- **Article 19:** Children have the right to be protected from harm.
- **Article 17:** Children have the right to access accurate information.
- **Article 16:** Children have the right to privacy.

This week we will be thinking about how to spot scams on the internet. What do you know about scams?



## 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 The Samaritans:  
<https://www.samaritans.org/>

“My dark days made me stronger. Or maybe I already was strong, and they made me prove it.” Emery Lord







# Achievement Awards

3K - Winnie: for choosing to try hard during learning time

3J - Isla: for always choosing to focus and try her best

3M - Phoenix: for always persevering with tricky work and for having an excellent attitude towards his learning.

3Z - Lewis: for persevering with his writing and publishing a great Roman myth

4Y - Alice: for considering her learning choices and improving her writing

4T - Adam: for showing amazing curiosity in all subjects and being an active member of the class

4K - Fares: for persevering with his writing in English

5W - Zayan: for excellent collaboration during RE

5V - Asim: for evaluating his word choices well, when writing his persuasive letter

5I - Junior: 5I for persevering with his learning and working extremely hard across the curriculum

6M - Jaden: for his perseverance and efforts during maths lessons

6O - Alfie: for displaying excellent perseverance in his learning this week

6K - Eli: for persevering and making excellent improvements in his writing





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

# Godwin Junior School 2025-26



School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

INSET Day

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