

Goodrich Church of England Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Achieve ∞ Believe ∞ Care

15th Edition – January 2014

Dear Parents and Friends,

This week Reverend Simon continued to talk with the children about Love. What/who do we love and what/who loves us back? The children quickly began to distinguish between loving and liking, especially with reference to their toys.

I have talked to the children in assembly about thinking carefully about how we present ourselves. We ask them to take pride in their work and should do likewise in their appearance. The staff have their eyes peeled for children who take care of the way they look and in turn the appearance of the school environment. House points will be awarded.

Prayer has always been an essential element of our daily collective worship. This year we have created our own school prayer. On Thursday we discussed how prayer can support us in times of need and disperse feelings of isolation therefore lessening a burden. In the hall there are notebooks for children to write anything (personal or global) they would like us to pray for. I have asked children to write a big P- if it is very personal and would just like Reverend Simon to look at it. The rest will be shared as part of our Celebration Assembly as an intermission in our school prayer. If, as a family, or on behalf of someone in our community you would like to be mentioned in our prayer please add to the notebook or drop a note into the office.

Well done to the Year Five children who travelled to London this week. Mrs Taylor reports that you were fabulous ambassadors for our school gaining much understanding of 'debate' from the experience. My thanks also go to Mrs Taylor and the other Wye Valley Learning Network staff that planned a fabulous trip to enrich the children's learning experiences.

A huge thank you goes to Mr Gwilliam (Henry & Lydia Lafford's Grandad) for making a fantastic 'mud kitchen' table for Forest School. Year one, two and three children have had an incredible amount of fun using it this week.

Best Wishes

Karen Miles
Head Teacher

News from the classes		Attendance	This Week
Class One	We have all done some amazing writing this week about Batman! We are enjoying 'exploring' Africa for our topic.	Reception	100%
		Year One	100%
Class Two	We created some fantastic mosaic pictures in Art this week.	Year Two	98.7%
		Year Three	100%
Class Three	We have watched the birds at our bird feeding station. They eat sunflower hearts faster than anything else. If anyone wants to send some bird food in, please do.	Year Four	95.3%
		Year Five	97.2%
Class Four	We have been organising and preparing for the forthcoming 'Battle of the Bands' and carrying out map work linked to our county – Herefordshire.	Year Six	100%
		Total	98.7%

Notices

Breakfast Club is going well- please call to book children in whenever you need a place.

Circus Skills

Due to unforeseen circumstances Circus Skills Club is cancelled again next Wednesday. Many apologies for any inconvenience it may cause.

SPTO

(School Pupil Tracker Online)



SPTO PARENT training with Mrs Ridyard on Wednesday 12th Feb at 3:15 (Year 2-6 only)

www.mychildsreport.co.uk

School Prayer



Dear God,
Bless our school.
Bless our teachers.
Bless our pupils.
Bless our families.
Please help us to be kind and help us to always try our best.
Let us remember, as many hands make a house,
So many hearts make a school.
Amen

Citizen of the Week

Reagan Kimberley for going back to help your friend get changed when they were last without any prompt or fuss. What a selfless act!



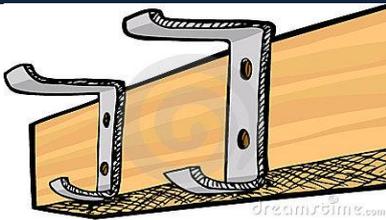
Class One	Josie Collins Vaughan Rees Todd Rollinson Pippa Perry	Class Three	Out on a trip. They will have extras next week!
Class Two	Percy Joynes Fred Arroyo Hannah Heard Skye Brooke	Class Four	Saffie Rollinson Jack Goodman Holly Manning Joe Miles

Cloakroom of the week



The Giving Cup

Junior Boys



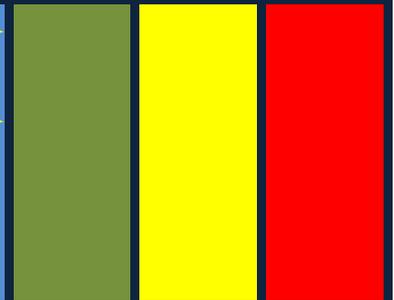
Pippa Perry for being kind and generous to her friends

School Council Award

Mr Edwards for helping Mrs Miles settle in, looking after the birds and making sure we have great opportunities to attend sports events.



Housepoints



Diary Dates



Epiphany- Love

Every Friday	2:35	Celebration Assemblies
Friday 24 th January	9-4	Class 3 Slimbridge Trip
Monday 3 rd February	All week	Assessment Week
Tuesday 4 th February	1:30-2:45	Dance Festival
Tuesday 11 th February		Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 12 th February	3:15	Battle of the Bands- Heats SPTO Parent Training
Friday 14 th February	2:15	Celebration Assembly & Battle of the Band Final
17-21 st February		Half Term
Mon/Tues 10/11 th March	3:30-5:30	Parent Consultation Evenings
Tuesday 11 th March		Tag Rugby
Monday 24 th March	All week	Assessment Week
Wednesday 9 th April	9:30	Easter Service- St Giles' Church
Friday 11 th April		Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday 29 th April		Summer Term begins