

### CHRISTIAN VALUE-THANKFULNESS & HUMILITY



#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



Goodrich Village Hall 14<sup>th</sup> October 2017

# **Goodrich Church of England**

Attendance		1 <sup>st</sup> Edition 201	Termly House points			
Reception	99.2%			Goodrich Church of England Primary School		
Year 1	100%	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	GOODRICH	Collective Worship		
Year 2	99.2%			At this time of year we think about  HarVest		
Year 3	94.3%					
Year 4	92%					
Year 5	92.9%			We are independent. We show humility, compassion and		
Year 6	95.3%			thankfulness.  Live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.'  a Peter 3:8)		
TOTAL	96.1%					

# **Primary School Newsletter**

### Welcome back!

#### Dear Parents & Friends,

I hope you enjoyed a restful summer break and made some wonderful memories, sometimes despite the weather! A heart felt welcome to our new families, please feel free to ask lots of questions and we hope that you feel settled with us very soon.

It was wonderful to see (most of) the children troop through the gates on Tuesday with smiles on their faces and looking very smart indeed. I know that this is a real investment for families but helps children to identify with the school, have pride and respect and stops each day being a fashion show, allowing them to focus on their activities instead. Thank you for your support with this.

Standards are very important so please may I remind you that there should be no make-up, including nail varnish and earrings should be studs only which they are able to remove or cover for PE. Long hair should be tied back as it helps to restrict the travel of any little visitors that children can so easily share with their friends.

The trainers/shoes question has been raised and we have noted that there are quite a few children wearing trainers to school. The uniform list has not changed since the children joined Reception, which states that leather /leather look shoes should be worn. (<a href="http://www.goodrichprimarysch.co.uk/parents/general-information">http://www.goodrichprimarysch.co.uk/parents/general-information</a>)
Trainers should be in their PE kit and we are more than happy for you to request that your child changes their shoes for lunch times to preserve their smart shoes.

Whilst we have not changed our uniform requirements, I know how expensive shoes are, so I respectfully request that when your child needs new shoes for school, those that comply with our uniform are purchased.

Congratulations to YELLOW House, you were triumphant last term. You can wear what you like to school on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> September.

The calendar will be populated in the next few days (lots of pinging on the school app!). We will not be using the calendar on the website and that will be removed soon. You will be able to access the calendar via ourschoolsapp or on the bottom of the email every couple of weeks. The newsletter calendar will just be for that term, whereas, following parent feedback, we have tried to set some dates for the whole year which will be put on the app ASAP.

For those who are new to us, you will notice a Celebration Worship column on the calendar below. Although they are linked to classes, certificates are usually given to all classes and you are welcome to attend all of these. The PTFA will soon be calling their first meeting of the year and this is a great way to get involved in school life and get to know some other parents too.

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTFA Summer Fiesta in July. It was a great fun evening and managed to raise an amazing £2,100 for the school! A huge thank you to everyone who helped out and contributed with prize donations.

If you have some spare time, there are also roles big and small that very much help the school to run smoothly. For example we would welcome someone to keep an eye on and regularly tidy and put new donations on our uniform rail outside. Or anyone who has 10mins at the end of the day before pick up to come in and have a tidy and sort out in the library. Please speak to Julie or to me if you would like to know more.

Mrs Taylor started a very successful group of reading volunteers in the summer term. Please speak to her if you would like to be involved in the next round of training.

As normal, please do not hesitate to speak to your teacher if you have any concerns. They are usually outside at the end of the day or via Julie in the office. However small it seems, it can make a big difference to you and your child.

Best wishes Mrs Miles

### What's Going On? (Please see ourschoolsapp.com for further information)

Forest School		Celebration Worship		Other dates	
13/09/17	Robins			13/09/17	Swimming - Peregrines
14/09/17	Owls	15/09/17	Peregrines 14:30	15/09/17	Yellow house non uniform day
20/09/17	Wrens			20/09/17	Swimming - Peregrines
21/09/17	Owls	29/9/17	Harvest Festival	20/09/17	Parent meeting Wrens & Robins Phonics 15.30 – 17.30
				21/09/17	Parent meeting Yr 5 & 6 Residential trip 17.45-18.15
27/09/17	Robins			25/09/17	Bikeability – Year 6
				25/09/17	Parent meeting Yr 6 17.45-18.15 SATs
28/09/17	Owls			26/09/17	Parent drop in evening 15.15-17.45
4/10/17	Wrens			27/09/17	Swimming - Peregrines
				27/09/17	PTFA AGM 19.30 – 20.30

				28/09/17	Parent meeting Yr 2 17.45-18.15 SATs		
5/10/17	Woodpeckers			29/9/17	Bikeability – Year 6		
11/10/17	Robins			2/10/17	Bikeability – Year 6		
12/10/17	Woodpeckers	13/10/17	Robins & Wrens	4/10/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
				5/10/17	PTFA meeting 19.00 – 20.00		
				7/10/17	Coppett Hill Treasure Hunt		
18/10/17	Wrens			9/10/17	Bikeability – Year 6		
19/10/17	Woodpeckers			11/10/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
1/11/17	Robins			16/10/17	Bikeability – Year 6		
2/11/17	Peregrines			19/10/17	School Photographs		
8/11/17	Wrens			20/10/17	Spooky Disco		
9/11/17	Peregrines	10/11/17	Woodpeckers	8/11/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
15/11/17	Robins			15/11/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
16/11/17	Peregrines			21/11/17	Parent consultation evening		
22/11/17	Wrens			22/11/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
23/11/17	Owls			29/11/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
29/11/17	Robins	24/11/17	Owls	5/12/17	Infant Nativity 14.00 - 15.00		
30/11/17	Owls			6/12/17	Infant Nativity 9.45 – 10.45		
6/12/17	Wrens			6/12/17	Swimming - Peregrines		
7/12/17	Owls	15/12/17	Carol service	14/12/17	Christmas party day		
				15/12/17	Last day of term		
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			Class News				
Wrens	Reception have been doing lots area, making m	Wrens class have had a brilliant start to the term. They have all been busy settling in and our new Reception have enjoyed exploring Goodrich! In class, we have been making new friends and have been doing lots of different activities including building lots of masterpieces in the construction area, making music with instruments, listening to stories and lots of drawing, cutting, sticking, painting self-portraits and making our Elmer themed book covers for our English books. What a busy week!					
Robins	works really qui exploring why t different and in Woodpeckers h	Robins have had an amazing start to the year and have learned all about how our new classroom works really quickly. Well done Robins! We have been talking about how we are all different and exploring why that is so great! We then created our very own Robins for our class display, all different and individual.  Woodpeckers have had an exciting start back to school. We are learning to play the tin whistle and					
Woodpecke	hockey skills with about what might know about value.	were all able to play a simple tune by the end of our first lesson! We have also been practising our hockey skills with Mr Stephens and playing trust games in RE. In English, we have been thinking about what might happen to Sir Charlie Stinky Socks and in Maths we have been showing what we know about value of digits in numbers.  The children have made a fantastic start to the year and are picking up any new routines well. We					
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have begun to learn about our new topic, 'Riotous Royalty'. We started with learning about the

Peregrine class has begun the new academic year brilliantly. They have been quick to take-up various monitor roles, with looking after the chickens proving to be very popular. This week the

children have been busy creating artwork and writing for our class R.E book, using ideas from the artist Chuck Close to influence and create their own self-portrait and planning a recount about their

history and symbolic connection of the Union Jack to the monarchy and created our own bunting to

Owls

**Peregrines** 

decorate our classroom.

school holiday.