

Goodrich Church of England Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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42nd Edition – November 2014

Dear Parents and Friends,

First, on behalf of the school and the children, a big thank you to Ms Gkogkou, Mrs Sherrington and Mr Steward for preparing and presenting a wonderful collection of Greek themed activities for Class Four's Greek day. There was everything from Greek food to clay pots, music and dance to maths. Also, thanks to Mrs Cleaver, Mrs Dix and Mrs Freeman, Mrs Davies and Mrs Mutlow for their help and support, and to the children and their parents for the big costume prep' at home. A special thank you to Mrs Taylor for having the vision to make such a memorable day. The children will remember the day for the rest of their lives. Well done everyone for bravely dressing up in ancient Greek costumes: I think that now we can see why trousers were invented! Moment of the day was small child to Mrs Freeman: "Why are you dressed up as God?" This has caused much division amongst staff as to who is the most god-like.

Next, my own big thank you to Mrs Price, Mrs Lafford and Mrs Cleaver for the lovely, bracing walk that we had up to the top of Coppett Hill, as part of our Forest Schools and Geography studies, and because there will always be something special about the excitement of school nature walks.

On Monday, the children to treated to a special assembly by Mr Nigel Griffiths, Head teacher of the John Kyrle High School, and, on Wednesday, to a Reverend Simon special (Super Vicar strikes again!) on the continuing theme of *love*.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this week, throughout the school, in both our special and our routine moments.

Best wishes for a nice weekend.

Noel Edwards

p.p. Mrs K Miles – Head teacher

News from the classes		Attendance	This Week
Class One	In Topic, we have been learning about different types of homes, where in the world our home is as well as how living in a town is different from living in the country.	Reception	96.9%
		Year One	97%
Class Two	In Science, we have been exploring different types of materials and their properties. We have also been developing some design and technology techniques and have made chimneys using the skills we learned.	Year One	98.1%
		Year Two	98.5%
Class Three	We hiked up to the trig. point on Coppett Hill, looking for evidence of wildlife, autumn and humans in the landscape. The forecast was horrible, but the weather was kind to us, and we all grew a bit taller for looking at the view.	Year Four	97.9%
		Year Five	98.3%
Class Four	Class 4 had a brilliant day dressing-up and learning about life in ancient Greek. During the day, the children made clay Greek vases, learned about Pythagoras in maths, tasted various Greek foods – bought and homemade, learned some Greek phrases and a Greek dance. No plate smashing though!	Year Six	96.4%
		Total	97.6%

NOTICES

Photograph orders need to be back by Monday 17.11.14

We are noticing an increase in regular late arrivers in the mornings. We know that it gets harder on these Autumnal mornings and there are often very good reasons. However in order to get the best learning opportunities packed in, it helps the children to be in and settled, in good time. We would very much appreciate it if you could support us with this.

School Prayer

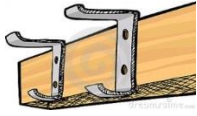
Dear God,
Bless our school
Bless our teachers
Bless our pupils
Bless our families
Please help us to be kind and help us to always try
our best
Let us remember, as many hands make a house
So many hearts make a school
Amen



	Class One	Brodie Akester Hannah Fitzpatrick Daisy May Dean	Class Three	Connor Thorpe-Williams Alfie Steward Jessica Cooper Rose Lambe
	Class Two	Romaine Farquhar Faith Thorpe-Williams Finn Clatworthy Leah Tidley	Class Four	All of the children in Class 4

Cloakroom of the week

INFANTS



Citizen of the Week

Abby Burton, Mia Chambers, Saffie Rollinson and all the brilliant baking Mums!

Housepoints



Diary Dates

A fantastic cake sale, organised by the girls for Children in Need. Other children organised a sponsored silence too. Well done all of you!



The Wonders of God's Creation

*“Autumn days, when the grass is jewelled;
And the silk inside a chestnut shell:
I mustn't forget.
No I mustn't forget,
To say a great big thank you,
I mustn't forget.”*



Friday 21 st November	TBC	Rugby Tournament
Friday 28 th November	2.30	Celebration Assembly
Saturday 29 th November	11-2	Christmas Fayre
Friday 5 th December	3- 4:45	Film Club Last club of the term
Tuesday 9 th December	TBC	Christmas Concert
Wednesday 10 th December	TBC	Pantomime @ School



Thursday 11 th December	TBC	Christmas Concert
Friday 12 th December	2.30	Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 16 th December	TBC	Battle of the Bands
Wednesday 17 th December	9:15	Christmas Carol Service @ St Giles
Thursday 18 th December	All day	Party Day- non-school uniform Last Day of term
Monday 5 th January 2015	All day	INSET DAY- NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 6 th January	8:45	Spring 1 begins