

Goodrich Church of England Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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61st Edition – May 2015

Dear Parents and Friends,

Today is special for two distinct reasons that may, perhaps, provoke very contrasting feelings for some of us. Firstly it is VE day 70th Anniversary, reminding us that on the 8th May 1945, the news the nation had been waiting for arrived. War in Europe was over!

Everyone who lived through the Second World War remembers what they were doing when the end of war was announced. It was a day of celebration and bittersweet emotions. Victory but so much and so many lost forever. 70 years on, it is important that the children have an appropriate understanding of the joy and emotion of VE Day and salute this generation of Britain's history.

I would be grateful if you could encourage your children to talk to you, grandparents, friends and neighbours about what they remember or know about that incredible day.

It is also the day following our nation's general election. The children have been involved in our own school election to give them an understanding of living in a democratic society and why every vote is important. I would like to applaud all of the children for the integrity that they have shown whilst conducting their campaigns and all of the staff were incredibly impressed in the way they delivered their manifestos and debated points. Every child in the audience and staff member (except Mrs. Miles and Mrs. Carter) voted and we are excitedly waiting for the results from the returning officer (Mrs. Carter) in Celebration assembly this afternoon. The party leaders are planning their victory speeches in readiness.

Next week is SATs week for Year Six and we encourage them to have a few early nights over the weekend, a good breakfast each morning and arriving promptly at school each morning to give them the best start. We very much appreciate how hard they have all been working and would like to extend our appreciation for all the effort at home too. As much as I am sure there will be nerves, we will do all that we can to maintain a calm environment with lots of encouragement so that they can do their very best.

Please let us know if you have any concerns.

Best wishes,


Miles

Head Teacher

Notices- PLEASE KEEP READING

- **UNIFORM**- Uniform can now be purchased from Clubsport in Ross-on-Wye or ordered online at <http://www.clubsport.co.uk/index.php/clubshops/category/116-goodrich-primary-school>
- **NEXT CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**- FRIDAY 12th JUNE
- **FOREST SCHOOLS**- Wellies and outdoor gear for Robins on Tuesdays and Woodpeckers/ Owls on Thursday. Peregrines will not be visiting Forest School until after half term.
- **Please return any NSPCC forms and money as soon as possible, they are visiting next week with badges.**

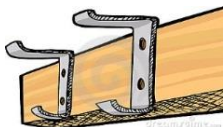
🌸 Class Superstars 🌸

Wrens	Ava Chambers Felix Holbrow- Brooksbank	Woodpeckers	Fred Arroyo Charlotte Husbands	Peregrines	Sophia Husbands Iwan Scrivens
Evie Hougham		Grace Fernandez Ford Faith Thorpe-Williams		Mia Chambers Matthew Daniel	
Robins	Logan Daniels Menna De'Cloedt	Owls	Tilly Williams Alfie Steward	Citizen of the Week	Daisy Middleton
Sam Thomas		Solomon Hollis			

News from the classes		Attendance	This Week
Wrens	The Wrens have been busy creating their own story books about a train ride. In Numeracy, we have been solving problems using addition, subtraction and doubling.	Reception	97.6%
Robins	The Robins have been making mud tracks for different vehicles in forest school this week. We also listened very carefully to identify the sounds of the environment. In RE we explored christenings and what they mean to us and others. We have also written our own stories which include a character making a journey.	Year One	95.7%
Woodpeckers	Woodpeckers have been enjoying some practical maths activities this week; timing each other completing different activities and working out the difference and measuring distances around the school. They continue to work on their story from an imaginary world inspired by Fantastic Mr Fox.	Year Two	97.6%
Owls	Today was a great success: we ran our NSPCC goal scoring challenge and everyone was a winner. The, we made our second miniature willow hurdles, even cutting our own sticks using saws. In history and English, we are continuing e with our Iron Age studies, looking at life in a hillfort and what skill the inhabitants had in order to survive hard times.	Year Three	100%
Peregrines	To coincide with the General Election, Year 5 and 6 came together to form five different school political parties. Each party had to prepare a manifesto outlining how they would improve identified areas within the school, e.g. break-time, P.E equipment and litter. Yesterday, in front of the whole school and staff, each party put forward their manifesto. The children gave some brilliant and at times thought provoking improvements. It was then up to the rest of the school to cast their vote!	Year Four	98.4%
		Year Five	94.7%
		Year Six	96.1%
		Total	97.2%

Cloakroom of the week

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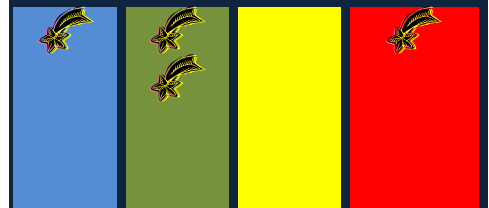
School Prayer

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

Housepoints



Diary Dates- Ascension- Tolerance, Jesus Welcomes everyone

Thurs 7 th May	PE	NSPCC 'The Big Workout'	Mon 22 nd June	09:30	Sports Morning followed by family picnic lunch on the field
Mon 11 th - 15 th May	All	SATs Week	Mon 22 nd -26 th June	All week	Church week
Mon 18 th May	09:15	Robin's Trip to Perrygrove	Fri 26 th June	TBC	Rounders Tournament
Mon 18 th -22 nd May	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK		Fri 26 th June	14:30 17:00-20:00	Celebration Assembly Summer Fiesta!
Mon 18 th -22 nd May	All	Peregrine Llangorse Trip	Fri 26 th June	17:30 TBC	PTFA evening- further information to follow
Thurs 21 st May	09:00-15:00	Wren's trip to Tillington Fruit Farm Woodpeckers & Owls Trip	Weds 1 st July	13:30	Robin Hood Dress Rehearsal
Mon 25 th -29 th May	Half Term		Thurs & Fri 2 nd /3 rd July	18:00	Robin Hood Performance- Tickets to follow
Mon 1 st June	08:45	Summer 2 begins	Tues & Weds 7 th /8 th July	TBC	Parents' Evenings
Mon 1 st - 5 th June	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK		Fri 10 th July	14:30	Celebration Assembly
Fri 5 th June	TBC	Cricket tournament	Mon 13 th - 17 July	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK	
Mon 8 th June	All day	All Class Photos	Weds 15 th July	16:00-18:00	Year 6 Leavers' Parents and Pupils BBQ & Rounders
Thurs 11 th June	All Day	Peregrine- Konflux theatre- A play in a day	Thurs 16 th July	09:30	Year 2 Graduation (Robin & Woodpecker Year 2s)
Fri 12 th June	14:30	Celebration Assembly Non school uniform, bring a bottle	Friday 17 th July	09:30	Year 6 Leaver's Service End of Academic Year 2014-15
Mon 15 th -19 th June	All week	Phonics Screening Check Week (Yrs 1 & 2)			
Tues 16 th June	All Day	Year 6 Crucial Crew- Hereford			
Thurs 18 th June	09:00-16:00	Year 6 Leavers Service at Hereford Cathedral			
Fri 19 th June	TBC	Robins KS1 Multi skills tournament			

Some dates may be subject to change and some dates (e.g. the Summer show) are yet to be confirmed.