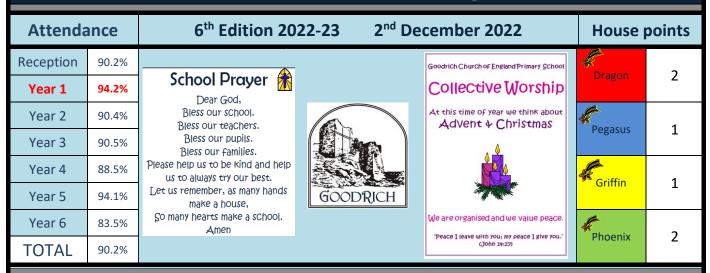
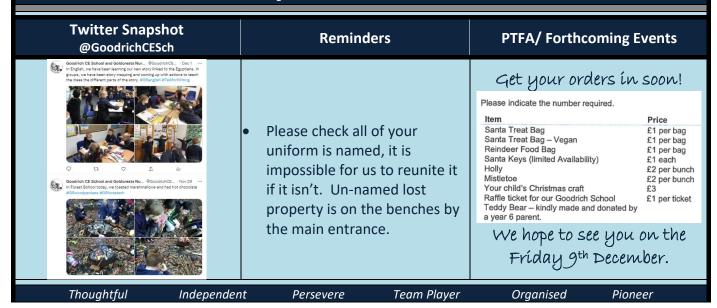


Goodrich Church of England



Primary School Newsletter



News

Dear all,

As we enter advent, the magic of the season has started to spread through our school. There is a sense of anticipation which isn't quite the same about anything else. We had a visit from Eli our elf today, which brought some of our youngest and eldest children together to help us to begin our preparations, decorating our school. Next week we will be enjoying the Infant Nativity and finishing the week with a PTFA get together. Then in the final week we have our Panto Trip, Christmas Dinner, Church service and party day. What a busy time, just as it should be!

This week we continued unpicking what 'respect' is and tried to answer the question, "Why is respect important?" It would be wonderful if you can talk about this as a family and think why this is so important as a family too or as part of your local community.

A new club and lunch menu will be out early next week. It would be very helpful if you can return them as soon as possible so that we can get club and lunch lists organised for the new year before the Christmas break.

Best wishes Mrs Miles

Class News

Last week Goldcrests learnt about hibernating and which animals hibernate during the winter. At Forest School we made our own hedgehogs out of clay, beechnuts and berries. Then back at Nursery we painted bears and hedgehog pictures. The children had a wonderful time joining in, learning some new songs in circle time, 'Teddy bear, Teddy bear' and 'Bear is Sleeping.' The children made hedgehog bread, learning how to knead the dough by "folding" and "squashing", then they had a go using scissors to cut spines. This week the children have loved looking at things bird related! We have been watching the birds at Forest School (having to try and sit as quiet as possible while we listen to all the different bird calls). We have been using binoculars and cameras in our hide at Nursery, waiting for our Robin to appear in the garden. Making bird feeders to hang in the tree, trying to entice him even closer. We have had a busy time creating different birds in our art and craft area, Owls, Robins and even the odd Penguin and colouring some amazing pictures of parrots.

sts	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow play!	Words of the Week
Goldcrests	Talking about hibernating Eleanor explain "it's Winter, it's all foggy. The tortoise and snake are hibernating."	The children have had a great time boogying along as we learnt our Nativity songs.	Kai and Luca built a magnificent castle out of blocks. Listening and sharing each other's ideas.	Autumn Winter hibernate hibernacle hedgehog robin blackbird owl nest beak feathers

We have been thinking about the different types of clothing we need to wear in different seasons. We talked about clothes that keep us warm in cold weather, clothes that keep us cool in hot weather and clothes that keep us dry in wet weather. This week we wrapped up warm to go to Forest School and enjoyed toasting marshmallows over the fire. We have started thinking about Christmas. We have been Class busy practising our Nativity performance and are looking forward to sharing the Christmas story with our **Superstars** friends and families next week. We were very surprised on Friday when we found a letter from Eli the Elf. He gave us a special Christmas mission from Father Christmas asking us to find decorations and decorate the tree for the school. Our friends from Peregrines joined us and we enjoyed decorating the tree, icing biscuits and choosing coins to pay to play Christmas games with our buddies. Words of the Quote of the week Body & Mind Week Last week Callum Meredith After talking about slumber different clothing plod This Week Martha said "My shiny Freddy ear muffs keep me warm Ralphie warm." respectful Last week whilst we have been learning the Papaya that spoke in English, one of the children bought in a papaya. We cut it open and tasted it, it had very mixed reviews! In Science we have been looking at how day length varies through each season, the children found this really interesting as did the adults. This week Robin's class have been very busy practising for our Nativity performance, they have been learning and remembering their lines, using loud speaking voices and remembering all the words to the songs. On Thursday we had our first dress rehearsal and the children looked brilliant in their costumes. In RE the children have been finding out about the Jewish festival Hanukkah. In PSHE the children have been talking about ways in which they show respect in the classroom, at home and to their friends, there were some very thoughtful answers. In PE the children created sequences on the apparatus and were using different ways of travelling. Words of the Quote of the week Body & Mind Wow work! Week Last week When telling me Zach about the Matilda menorah and the **This Week** meaning behind Ela the 8 candles Violet Harriet said, "I know the Tasting papaya secret meaning, it was path because they only gate had one jar of oil flower which they didn't insect think would last, Thoughtful work about but it lasted 8 respect in PSHE days!"

This week, we have begun our Ancient Egypt theme and have been learning the story, 'The Time-Slip Scarab' by Pie Corbett. We have worked in groups to learn and story map different parts to teach the rest of the class. We have also created a timeline in History to plot some of the main events during the Egyptian Era. In Maths, we have been looking at using the column method to complete subtraction calculations and use the column method to solve word problems. On Tuesday, we kept warm in Forest School with a fire and toasted marshmallows and drank hot chocolate. Delicious!

In Science, we have been investigating mirrors and what materials are reflective and in PE, we have been developing different rolls in gymnastics. In RE, we have been focusing on the Jewish faith and the Ten Commandments, thinking about what rules we would like to live by such as 'Treat others as you wish to be treated'. In French, we have been learning vocabulary all about school and objects that we may find 'dans ma trousse' (in my pencil case) and in Computing, we have been using 'Hour of Code' to make algorithms (sequences) to make a sprite (character) move.

Quote of the week

Body & Mind

Wow work!

Words of the Week Last week
Landon
Luke
Sam
Freddie

In Forest School,
Zara was very
helpful with Mrs
Lafford and Mrs
Cleaver when she
spotted that the
milk was boiling
over the
saucepan on the
fire!
"You might want
to do something
about that!"

In Forest School, we built a fire and toasted marshmallows and drank hot chocolate.



Some of our European Rivers- non-chronological reports.

ancient common hieroglyphs iridescent reflective This Week Maude Maggie

In English we have been writing an Egyptian inspired story and learning the rules of direct speech. In Maths we have been solving problems involving area and perimeter. In Geography we have chosen our own European country to research and have found out some really interesting facts about many different countries in Europe. In Music we have been developing our skills and knowledge of Samba and have been practising for a music performance to share with our families and friends in collective worship. In Science we have been developing our understanding of the life cycles of insects, birds and mammals.

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After finishing the recording of our samba performance, Eve said, "Yes, we did it! That was brilliant!"

Quote of the week

Body & Mind

In PE we enjoyed using the wall bars to find different ways to climb.



Wow work!



A selection of fabulous Egyptian replica artefacts created as part of a homework project by Eve, Carter and Oz. pupa chrysalis enamel hypnotism invigorate propaganda

Words of the

Week

Oscar

Aidan Jasper P Jasper H-C Rupert Nikola

This Week

Verron Vesper Freya Beatrix Andrei Finley F In English, we have been finishing and editing our stories with a flashback and we have been learning how to identify active and passive sentences. In Maths, we have been learning about the connections between fractions, decimals and percentages and using our knowledge to find solve problems involving percentages. In History, we have been identifying which countries were part of the British Empire and locating them on a world map. On Wednesday, we had our last swimming session and on Thursday and Friday afternoon, we made our Christmas crafts with some of the parents from the PTFA. On Friday morning, we carried out our secret Christmas mission with Wrens class. We had a great morning together and our mission was very successful.

Words of the Quote of the week Body & Mind Wow work! Week **Last Week** Some of Peregrine Class making alleviate Isla their Christmas Crafts. **During the Secret** protrude Lucas Christmas Mission, empire disability Neve was working **This Week** colonies with two children James from Wrens and Maddi together they said, Neve "We have got this Elisha and we can do this!" Some fashion designs inspired by the artist Piet Mondrian Gabriel P for being a great George O-W for being an friend and always doing his best exemplary role model Headteacher Infant Headteacher Junior Star Award Star Award Esmae for being TIP TOP and Florence for being an always being ready, safe and exemplary role model respectful Thoughtful Independent Team Player Organised Pioneer Persevere

What's Going On? (Please see ourschoolsapp.com for further information)								
Forest School		Celebration Worship		Other Dates				
				05/12/22	Piano Performance			
06/12/22	Owls	2/12/22	Owls	9/12/22	PTFA Christmas Event			
7/12/22	Robins			12-16/12/22	NO CLUBS (B'fast & Smiles only)			
13/12/22	Peregrines			12/12/22	Pantomime			
14/12/22	Wrens			14/12/22	Christmas Dinner Day			
				15/12/22	Christmas Service			
				16/12/22	Christmas Party Day			
				16/12/22	Last day of Autumn Term			
				04/01/23	1st day of Spring Term			

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be Ready



'Here for Herefordshire Holidays' FREE Christmas holiday activities are now available to book!

If you are a parent or carer of a school aged child 5 to 16 years old (Reception to year 11) who is eligible for benefits-related free school meals, You can now book up to **16 hours** of free activities throughout the Christmas holidays.

This Christmas we have a huge range of activities to take part in; outdoor activities, forest school, parkour/breakdancing, football, rugby, cooking, day trips, animal care, arts/crafts, swimming, circus skills, climbing, racket games, gym, dance, martial arts and so much more. Your child will also receive a free nutritious meal during each session. Some providers are able to offer provision for children with SEND or additional needs.

This year we'll be hosting our first:

Family HAF Activity Taster Day at Whitecross High School, Hereford On the 17th December 10am – 2pm

25+ providers will showcase their provision. Children and young people will be able to try new activities

(Full details are available on the booking site).

Book now by visiting our Talk Community holiday activities webpage: www.talkcommunity.org/holidayactivities.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis.

We understand children aren't always able to attend booked activities, however,

We would kindly request that children are cancelled off the session via the booking
system to enable others to attend.

The activities are only available to children who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals and checks will be made to ensure that children meet this criteria.

If you have a question about the 'Here for Herefordshire Holidays' Programme, please contact the team: HAF@herefordshire.gov.uk

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme has been funded nationally by the Department for Education. You can find out more by visiting the HAF2021 website: www.HAF2021.org

