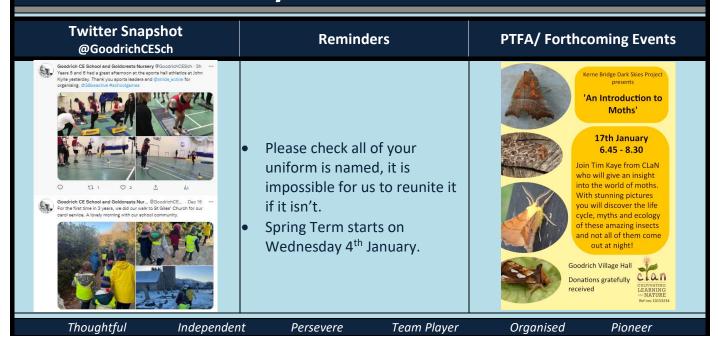


Goodrich Church of England

Attendance		7 th Edition 2022-23 16 th December 2022			House points	
Reception	88.8%			Goodrich Church of England Primary School	Progen	2
Year 1	82.0%	Christmas Blessing		Collective Worship	Dragon	2
Year 2	92.1%	May the humility of the shepherds,		At this time of year we think about Advent & Christmas	Pogasus	1
Year 3	81.3%	the perseverance of the wise men, the joy of the angels, and the peace of the Christ-child			Pegasus	2
Year 4	86.2%	be God's gifts to us and to people everywhere this Christmas time.			Griffin	1
Year 5	86.3%	And may the blessing of the Christ- child be upon us always.	GOODRICH	*****	Griffin	1
Year 6	80.8%	Amen		We are organised and we value peace.	Phanin	,
TOTAL	85.1%			Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. (John 14:27)	Phoenix	2

Primary School Newsletter



News

Dear all,

Hopefully you have all received a new lunch menu for the Spring Term. Our wonderful cook, Mrs Worthington, is working with a School Lunch consultant to develop our menu and introduce changes to our lunch experience.

We have been encouraging the children to use a fork and knife when they are eating hot meals and to hold them correctly. These are life skills which don't seem as important now but are skills harder to learn when they are older. Please encourage this expectation and skill over the Christmas holidays. On return the range of 'choice' during lunches will reduce slightly as we try to encourage vegetables with more nutritional value and buy seasonal vegetables. We will also be trying to discourage less traditional combinations e.g. roast with baked beans. This is to develop children who understand how important healthy food is to their wellbeing and are prepared to eat a variety, even if they aren't their favourite. Sweet treats have been reduced and natural sugar products are being used when a sweetener is needed.

Over the Christmas period, lots of children will increase their screen time. It therefore seems the perfect time to remind you of the importance of protecting your children online. The link below has lots of helpful information and guidance to help you do so. https://www.virginmedia.com/blog/online-safety/childrens-internet-safety-test/

A huge well done to the PTFA in the run up to Christmas, I'm sure you will agree that last week was a great opportunity to get together and to be involved as much or little as you like without feeling too pressured. Since then they have stayed busy, organising the panto trip, providing staff with a fabulous lunch-cooked by Narupa and assisting us with party day organisation. We are so grateful.

It was wonderful to be back at St. Giles yesterday for the first time since the pandemic, for our Carol Service and the views on our walk there were majestic. A fitting end to a busy term and I just want to close by saying thank you to everyone in our school community who supports and celebrates our wonderful children, Goodrich villagers, parents, governors and staff. I wish you all the happiest of times at this magical time of year and look forward to seeing you in the new year.

Best wishes Mrs Miles

Class News

Over the last two weeks we have been talking about all things Christmas. We have been learning many Christmas songs and rhymes and listening to Christmas music, we particularly like playing the bells whilst singing Jingle Bells. We have also enjoyed some lovely Christmas stories, including the story of The First Christmas, where we learnt about the real meaning of Christmas. We have been making some amazing artwork, some of which we have used to decorate the nursery. Cooking some delicious treats, Christmas gingerbread and mince pies. We are all now getting very excited about Christmas and making our lists for Santa, not long now! Happy Christmas everyone, see you in 2023.

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3. Goldcr	Looking at the snowy landscape Kai commented, "isn't that beautiful."	The children had great fun playing in the snow.	The children showed some amazing talent performing in the Christmas Nativity.	Christmas Jesus Bethlehem stable angels

	Wrens have had an exciting week celebrating Christmas. We enjoyed being with our buddies from Peregrines when we went to see the pantomime and when visiting St Giles Church for our Carol Service. We made party hats and wore them proudly as we tucked into a delicious Christmas dinner. We had a great time with Robins when we joined them to play games on Party Day. We have been thinking about how Christians show love towards each other at Christmas time and then created some heart decorations for the different grown-ups that help us when we are at school. We have also been thinking about how we can be seen when going out on dark days/evenings. We enjoyed climbing into our dark den with the torches to find out the best materials. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Joyful New Year.				
SI	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow play!	Words of the Week	
Wrens	When exploring how the light reflected on a bauble Martha commented, "Our discovery is done." when she had found the best place to make patterns. We enjoyed creating puppets to help us re-tell the Nativity story. reflect frost chilly repeat silent				
Robins	narrators and all the they enjoyed performins piration to write in the number system. This week began withought was fun. The dinner, which was a were really excited the eating the sweets be a first for me since if service at St Giles and In R.E. the children to they thought about Thank you to the PT our sweet treats for	! I hope you enjoyed watchit week, the frosty days have go ey have been thinking about a work out what comes befor Panto in Monmouth which the arty hats and placemats for en have also written the Natut the meaning of each part, the children who spoke beauther the children who spoke beauther to others such as food for the derful opportunity to go to the outo you all for your continuous.	ice fleece frost temperature skate		

In English, we have been writing a portal story based on the Time Slip Scarab by Pie Corbett and travelling back in time to a different era, focusing on using description to help build a picture of the setting and special artefact. In Maths, we have been using our knowledge of addition and subtraction written methods to solve word problems and using our number bonds and times tables to crack the Christmas Code. In Science, we have been investigating reflective materials and how shadows change depending on how close an object is to a light source. In History, we have been looking at why Ancient Egyptians settled near the River Nile and what the river was used for and in Art, we have used our stained-glass designs to make stained glass Christmas themed cards. In Music, we have used the Boomwhackers to play some Christmas songs and on Thursday, we had our last Samba session, where we performed as a class.

This week, we have had a very festive week, starting off with a visit to the Savoy in Monmouth to watch Treasure Island. A big thank you to the PTFA for organising such a brilliant experience. On Wednesday, we sat down together for a delicious Christmas lunch. Thank you to the kitchen staff and dinner ladies for all your hard work this term. Then on Thursday, we walked to St Giles' Church for our carol service and finally, we ended the week with our CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY! Thank you to the PTFA and all the parents for their contributions to our shared lunch. It was delicious!

Woodpeckers have had a very busy term and have all done themselves proud. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and helpers for their kindness, help and support this term. I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to hearing about all the celebrations and seeing you all in 2023!

Tristen
Ruby-Kate
Merrie
Hayleigh
Maddy

When practising songs for the Carol Service, Tristen said; "This is my favourite part and walking to the Church, it makes me feel Christmassy."

Quote of the week



Body & Mind

We worked together to decorate Woodpeckers Class and had a little competition – which table could make the longest paper chain?

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Wow work!

Hayleigh played the harp for the whole school. Well done, Hayleigh! opaque translucent transparent shadow tradition

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Week

In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of plotting co-ordinates and finding missing co-ordinates to create 2D shapes. We have also been learning how to use a co-ordinate grid to translate shapes. In Geography, we have been researching a European country and using our research to produce information posters and leaflets. In English, we completed the problem part of our Egyptian inspired story. This week we have enjoyed lots of festive activities. On Monday we enjoyed our trip to the pantomime and we would like to thank the PTFA for giving us such a wonderful experience. On Thursday it was lovely to return to the church for our Christmas service and on Friday we partied! Thank you to all the parents and the PTFA for providing us with a lovely party lunch. The Owls have had a very successful term and I would like to thank all the parents and helpers who have supported us this term. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and I look forward to hearing all about it from the children in the New Year.

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Henry P made a super stop motion video at home and emailed it into school. After watching it in class, Aidan said, "That's really cool!"

Quote of the week

Body & Mind



We really enjoyed our final forest school session of the term making festive wreaths and cooking on the campfire.

Wow work!



The children have produced some amazing pieces of artwork this half term.
These belong to Freya,
Andrei, Bea, Nikola and Ted (from the top left to right)

Last Week Aidan Morgan

Morgan Selena George Jasper P In English, we wrote from a different person's perspective. We used written and video extracts of life in the Victorian times to write our pieces. In Maths, we have been using a four-quadrant grid to plot co-ordinates to create Christmas pictures. In Forest school, we used natural foliage to create Christmas wreaths and we enjoyed marshmallows toasted on the fire as well as s'mores. In History, we have been learning about Victorian inventions and we have been creating an iMovie about a famous Victorian. On Monday, we thoroughly enjoyed our visit to The Savoy Theatre, Monmouth, to watch their pantomime of Treasure Island. We enjoyed buddying up with Wrens and seeing their reactions during the performance. Thank you to the PTFA for giving us a wonderful Christmas memory. On Wednesday, we had our Christmas dinner. It was delicious. Thank you to the kitchen staff and dinner supervisors for all your hard work. On Thursday, we all went to the church for our Christmas Carol Service. It was lovely to be together to celebrate this special time of year. Finally, on Friday we spent the day getting into the festive spirit. Thank you to the PTFA and parents for your food contributions. The food was gratefully received and enjoyed by all. While it has been a busy term, Peregrine Class has risen to its challenges. I would like to take the opportunity to say a huge thank you to all parents, guardians and helpers for your kindness, help and support this term. A special thank you to Mrs Harris for helping with Peregrine's swimming this term. I would like to finish this newsletter by wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you in 2023!

Thank you for helping
us to spread
happiness at
Christmas time.
Please help those
who can't celebrate
Christmas with their
families.
Help those fighting in
the war to enjoy their

Quote of the week

Christmas.
Help those who don't
have much this
Christmas.
Help us be thankful

this Christmas.
As the trees turn
green and as we
decorate, we will
keep Christmas in our
heart for the rest of
our days.

A Christmas Prayer written by Alice.

Body & Mind

Preparations for the Peregrine Christmas Table Decorating competition. The state of the s

Wow work!

Lucas' researched about
Victorian Weapons and he
presented information
which incorporated hand
drawn and coloured
illustrations and lettering.
What a super piece of work!

Amelia Leo Elliot Jake T

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Words of the Week

Headteacher Star Award Isla for making an exceptional contribution to our school

Maddisynne for making an exceptional contribution to our school

Headteacher Star Award Phoebe for making an exceptional contribution to our school

Thoughtful

Independent

Persevere

Team Player

Organised

Pioneer

What's Going On? (Please see ourschoolsapp.com for further information) Forest School Celebration Worship Other Dates

Forest School		Celebration Worship		Other Dates		
04/01/23	Robins			04/01/23	1st day of Spring Term	
10/01/23	Woodpeckers			10/01/23	Yr 4, 5 &6 Residential Meeting 17:30	
11/01/23	Wrens	13/01/23	Peregrines	11/01/23	Swimming starts- OWLS	
17/01/23	Owls					
18/01/23	Robins	20/01/23	Owls			
24/01/23	Peregrines					
25/01/23	Wrens	27/01/23	Woodpeckers			
31/01/23	Woodpeckers					
01/02/23	Robins	03/02/23	Robins			
07/02/23	Owls					
08/02/23	Woodpeckers	10/02/23	Wrens			
14/02/23	Peregrines					
15/02/23	Robins	17/02/23	Peregrines			
	Goldcrest, No Forest school for the first few weeks of school					

Be Ready

Be Safe

Be Respectful





45 minutes of boxing with qualified coaches with lunch included

Open to all 5-16 year olds





Free family activity taster day! Saturday 17 December 10am - 2pm

Whitecross High School, Hereford

Try out lots of exciting activities, including:

- ✓ Parkour
- ✓ Dancing
- Sports
- ✓ Aerial hoop
- Circus skills
- Climbing
- Boxing
- Martial arts
- Digital tech workshops
- Pottery
- Crafts
- Forest school
- Science
- Story time
- ✓ Cookery workshop

All the family are welcome!

Free meal for everyone included

Amongst the hustle and bustle, there's also a calming sensory room for children with special educational needs and disabilities. Places are limited so click or the link to book your family in now



