## **KEEPING SAFE & HEALTHY**

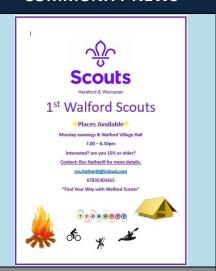


## **CHRISTIAN VALUE**

Wisdom



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**



## **Goodrich Church of England**

**Attendance** Reception 94.1% Year 1 91.2% Year 2 95% Year 3 100% Year 4 96.2% Year 5 93.3% 16Year 6 91.2% **TOTAL** 94%

## 8<sup>th</sup> Edition 2023-24

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.

12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

# House points



Dragon	13
Pegasus	14
Griffin	16

9

Phoenix

## **Primary School Newsletter**

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## Twitter Snapshot @GoodrichCESch

### Reminders

PTFA/ Forthcoming Events



Please book your clubs and dinners via Arbor

PTFA meeting
Friday, 19th January
1:30pm at school
Planning events for the
next year
Ideas and offers of help
very welcome!



Thoughtful Independent Persevere Team Player Organised Pioneer

### News

Dear all,

Happy New Year.

This week we started the week, thinking of Eco new year resolutions for at school and at home. The children had some lovely ideas, and we are going to create a tree of our ideas in the hall.

I am sure that in the news over the holidays, you have heard about how low attendance is across the country and we have come back to DfE (Department for Education)reminders on the direct connection between attendance and school success. We have reviewed the data from last term and will soon send out further letters where there is concern and where there is improvement.

Next week we will be advertising two roles for lunchtime staff. We will email out when it is in place and please share with anyone you think will be interested.

As always, this term will be as busy as any, with lots to look forward to, including Young Voices in a couple of weeks. It will also be the run up to us converting to an academy as part of the DHMAT (Diocese of Hereford Multi-Academy Trust). We have been working with them in terms of aligning processes and attending school improvement meetings since the summer term last year. We have been welcomed fully and we look forward to being part of their truly collaborative Trust. The date for conversion is 1st April and the change from a parental perspective should be minimal. However there is lots of paperwork to do as it is a legal process, so please be assured that I will keep you updated as we go.

Something to make you aware of is that GIAS (Get Information about Schools) shows our school as 'proposed to close.' Whilst this sounds a bit shocking- it simply means we will close as a local authority school on the 31<sup>st of</sup> March and open as part of the DHMAT on the 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Please pop in and ask any questions you may have about the change.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to celebrate that our Chair of Governors, Rosemary Webb has been awarded the BME for her contributions to the Ross-on-Wye community. I would like to thank her for all that she does for our school along with all of our dedicated governors who give their time generously in the interests of our children.

Best wishes Mrs Miles

## **Class News**

The children were happy and excited to return to Goldcrests after their Christmas holidays. Easing ourselves back into routines, meeting up with old friends and making new ones. This week the children have thoroughly enjoyed talking about the cold weather and exploring snow and ice activities. Focusing on winter crafts, creating snowmen out of different resources, collage, painting, play dough and making their own snowman name plaques. They have made up stories in our polar-land small world as we researched which animals live in the frozen artic. Toast was prepared in our role-play kitchen linking to one of our stories 'The Snow Bears,' as the bears enjoyed hot buttered toast, as they dried by the fire. Learning to count backwards from 5 to 0 with our rhyme '5 little snowmen.' During our Forest School activity, the children explored the science behind ice melting after they had created ice pictures, and observed what happened as they melted in the sun.

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Goldcrests	Quote of the week	happened as they melted in the sun.  Body & Mind Wow play!		Words of the Week		
Gold	Noticing a picture of a snowman in the book 'Stickman' Jessica explained "sun melts the snowman 'cause it's too hot."	Exploring what happens as ice melts	ice melting freezing snow circle sphere			
กร	A very Happy New Year to you all! Firstly, I would like to say thank you very much for all the good wishes, cards and gifts that we received for Christmas; it was very much appreciated. Wrens have had a busy first week back; it has been wonderful to find out about their Christmas news, the children have written all about it in their English. In Maths the Year Ones have been continuing with multiplication and division and are using arrays to help them, Reception children have been thinking about 'one more' than a number and counting up to thirty! In PSHE we shared the story of Elmer to talk about how it's special to be different and unique, we created our own Elmers to show that we are all different. We then shared 'Brenda's Boring Egg' and talked about how we have similarities and differences with each other, the children were fantastic at saying what was similar and what was different about themselves and their friends.					
Wrens	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow play!	Words of the Week		
	In PSHE we have been discussing being unique, Gabriel said "it would be boring if we all looked the same!"	In Forest School the children enjoyed finding ice and making ice pies, digging in the mud and playing on the swing.	Using the story spoons to tell each other stories	young everything own group throw	Ayda Callum	
ins	Quangle Wangle's Hadescribing the feature different materials at Maths, we have been and even numbers. I playing games to help	has have had a busy first week back. In English, we have been learning the poem 'The by Edward Lear and have been thinking about interesting words we could use when sof the hat and the creatures who visit it. In Science, we have started to investigate di which would be best for the Quangle Wangle and Mr and Mrs Canary to use. In exploring multiplication and division when thinking about halving, doubling and odd PSHE, we have been thinking about how we can look after ourselves and enjoyed us consider the different strategies we can use to help us when we are feeling sad or we used digital painting to create self-portraits.				
Robins	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow work!	Words of the Week	Zebedee	

Quote of the week Body & Mind Wow work! Week Zach has been great at remembering our We have been learning about charmingly spelling rules this the importance of sleep and **luminous** week so that he good dental hygiene to help broad knows when "to keep us fit and healthy. flexible protect the short vowel sound." Super digital painting Matilda!

Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break. Woodpeckers Class have come back with lots of energy and have made a great start to the term. On Tuesday, we started off by reflecting on 2023 and making resolutions for 2024, such as things we want to learn, try and achieve. We have also been making eco resolutions as a school about what we can try to do in 2024 to look after the environment in school and outside of school. Whilst over in Forest School, we were working together to divert the stream by building a tyre wall and doing lots of digging! In Maths, we have been looking at the properties of 2D shapes and focusing on different types of lines – horizontal, vertical, diagonal, parallel and perpendicular – and identifying different types of angles (turns). In History, we have been exploring what life was like in Anglo-Saxon times. We did some Anglo-Saxon cooking and even had a go at weaving, it was very tricky, but we persevered. We also used the IPADs to research what life was like to help us plan and write a non-chronological report. In Science, we have been finishing our light and sound unit by investigating how sound travels and how different sounds can create different pitches and volumes and in PE, Year 3 have been working on their balances and Year 4 went for their first swimming session this year with Mrs Jones and Mrs Mutlow.

Woodpeckers

During collective
worship on
Thursday, Mrs
Taylor asked the
children about their
first week back.
Elliott replied; "My
week has been really
good because I've
got to try weaving
and I can't wait till
tomorrow to do
some more!"

Quote of the week

We have been starting every morning off with some 'Wake & Shake' – either some Just Dance or Joe Wicks 5 minute work-outs to get our bodies and minds ready for the day.

Body & Mind

Wow work!

Cecily and Leia working hard on their weaving. Noah Robin

resolution
horizontal
vertical
parallel
perpendicular
angle/turn
pitch

Words of the

Week

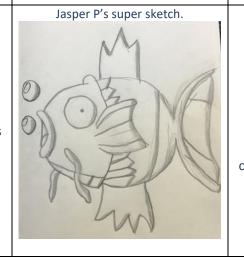
Happy New Year! This week it has been lovely finding out about the family time that the children enjoyed over the Christmas holidays. The children have returned to school in a positive frame of mind and eager to learn! In English, we have been using the poem 'A New Year Wish' by Neil Gaiman to generate ideas for writing our poem about the start of a new year. This week in Maths we have been learning about length and perimeter, converting between metres and kilometres. In Science we have started learning about forces. This week we focused on gravity and carried out a gravitational force experiment. In Art, we have started to look at Pop Art and identify its principles and the techniques used in creating it.

	Quote of the week			
	When thinking			
	about what we			
Owls	can do to be a			
Ó	little eco-friendlier			
	this year Oz said,			
	"To turn the lights			
	off and the taps			
	when nobody is			
	using them."			
	Great idea! It's			
	surprising how			
	often the tap is			
	left running in the			

activity area!

On Wednesday, we started our swimming lessons for this term at Ross swimming pool.

Body & Mind



Wow work!

gravity mass weight ore extract controversial

Words of the Week

Leland Jasper P

Happy New Year! Peregrine Class have made a good start to the spring term. In our History lesson, we have been looking at events during World War Two and discussing their impact and if they caused a turning point in the war. We also learned about Anne Frank as part of the holocaust. In Science, we have been learning about light and how we are able to see things. We created a human model to demonstrate our understanding. In Design and Technology, we have been investigating toys with moving mechanisms in readiness for using cams to create our own moving toy. In English, we have been questioning why a poet chose words, phrases and punctuation within a poem and its intended impact of the reader. In Maths this week we have been extending our knowledge of position and direction by using co-ordinates to find positions on a four quadrant grid and using our knowledge to solve problems.

When speaking to the children about their Christmas holiday, many of them said that the best thing about it was, "Spending time with my family."

Quote of the week



Body & Mind

We have been generating new year resolutions that will help the environment.

Eve designed a super propaganda poster for one of the roles women played in WWII.

Wow work!



holocaust prejudice discrimination anti-semitism

photon

Words of the Week

Phoebe Morgan

Headteacher Star Award

Zara for always being TIPTOP, so kind and a great friend to have- with a witty sense of humour. We are proud of you.

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Forest School			Celebration Worship	Other Dates	
16/01/24	Owls				
17/01/24	Robins			17/01/24	Y5&6 Dodgeball @ JKHS 1pm
				19/01/24	PTFA Meeting 1.30pm
23/01/24	Peregrines				
24/01/24	Wrens			24/01/24	Rags2riches Collection
				26/01/24	Young Voices 10am
		26/01/24	Robins		
30/01/24	Woodpeckers			30/01/24	Parent Consultation 3pm onwards
31/01/24	Robins			31/01/24	Parent Consultation 3pm onwards
				02/02/24	House Event
				02/02/24	Parent Drop in & School Nurse Talk 2.45pm
06/02/24	Owls				
07/02/24	Wrens	07/02/24	Wrens		

Be Safe Be Respectful Be Ready