

Goodrich Community Primary School

Friday 19th October

It is hard to believe that we have already reached the end of our first half term. It is great to see that all of our children are working hard and making lots of progress in their lessons.

Parent Evenings

Thank you to all of the parents that attended the Parent/teacher meetings this week. If you have not yet managed to see your child's teacher please make an appointment to see them after the half term break. It is a great chance for you to see your child's work, celebrate their achievements so far and find out what they can work on to improve even more.

Parking around school

We are receiving lots of complaints from local residents about parking in the local area before school and at pick up time. Please can you make sure that you do not block driveways when parking.

There has also been an increase in parents stopping in the middle of the road and letting children out of cars by the school gate. This is very dangerous. We appreciate that parking around the school can be tricky; however we all need to do our best to keep our children safe.

Lost Property

There is a large build-up of lost property in the lower hall. Please come and look if your child has lost anything this year.

P.E

Children have been enjoying a variety of sports in P.E this half term. However some children are missing out because they forget their P.E kit on P.E days. Please

check the year group boards, or ask your child's teacher if you are not sure which days they need their kit. A top tip would be to bring their kit to school on Monday and take it home for washing on Friday. Year 4 will be swimming next half term. Classes 13 and 15 will be going on Tuesday and Class 14 will be going on Friday.

Photo permission

Thank you to all of you who have returned the photo permission slip. We still have a few outstanding. If you have not yet returned yours please can you do so as soon as possible.

Year 4 R.E.

The children in Year 4 have been learning about Judaism this half term. This week they were lucky enough to be given a talk by Miliaore from Class 17 about living in the Jewish faith. Miliaore spoke brilliantly and gave the children lots of detail about her visits to the Synagogue and celebrating festivals. Thank You Miliaore!



Year 3 Arethusa

There are still places available on the Year 3 Residential Trip to Arethusa which will take place on the 7th of January until 11th of January 2019. If you would like a place for your child please contact the office as soon as possible as we need to finalise the numbers.

Important Dates

- Poppy Appeal - Poppies are on sale in the office.

- School Photograph (Singles)
Thursday 8th and Friday 9th
November.
- Height and Weight Measurement
Tuesday 6th Nov - All Reception
and Thursday 22nd Nov - All Year
6
- Flu Vaccination through a nasal spray
- Reception to Year 5 Friday 14th
December

Have a great half term. Enjoy the rest.

Nicola Dickson

Lower Key Stage Two phase leader



FRI-YAY with Children's BINGO! Looking for something to keep the kiddos entertained on a Friday afterschool, join us for BINGO in the lower hall on Friday Nov. 9th from 3:45-5:15pm. The theme is Fireworks so we'll have sparkles, a tuck shop and prizes! Tickets are £2 and we'll be selling them the first week back after half term.

Now All Things Winter Fair...

Donations: it's that Time of year again. We will be asking for **Jolly Jam Jars donations soon, please get collecting empty jars in preparation over half term for the stall. We will also be asking for clean teddy and soft toys** for our Teddy Tombola. We are still looking for empty Tiptree ketchup bottles or similar. Please bring them in if you have any. We're on the hunt for **hampers, baskets and nice boxes** that you no longer need for our Silent Hamper Auction. Please do drop any off in the Office. Or let us know.

Christmas Wreaths - We are looking for someone to co-ordinate the making of the Christmas Wreaths at the winter Fair. These are hugely popular at the winter Fair. Please contact FoG if you can help friendsofgoodrich@gmail.com

First aiders: Do you have first aid skills and would you be willing to be on call for the duration of the fair (12pm- 3pm on Saturday 1 December) in case anyone needs first aid? Please contact us on the FoG email address if you can help friendsofgoodrich@gmail.com

Raffle prizes: Does your job have any items or tickets they could donate? Do you know any

restaurant owners who would donate a meal? Know anyone with a holiday house they'd like to donate a weekend to win? Shops that maybe happy to donate items? Any of these and more are hugely appreciated. As a gauge the prizes typically have a minimum value of £30/£40. Do let us know if you're able to help us get prizes for our raffle. Our raffle raises about £1,000 for the school, lets aim to beat that this year!

Or maybe you have some items for our hampers...

Silent Hamper Auction: keep an eye out for an email from your class rep about our Christmas hampers. Each year we're able to raise hundreds of pounds by selling hampers of goods generously donated by Goodrich parents and carers. Each class has a themed hamper - such as Italian, Christmas or Beauty products - and parents can drop donated items in a box in their child's classroom.

Dreamed of designing hampers? Fancy yourself a hamper guru? Then Goodrich needs you! We need some more help creating the hampers in the week before the fair. Every year beautiful hampers that sell upwards of £50 (wow) are made. If this is something you could help with do email FoG.

Thanks!

Calling all rock stars or wannabe rock stars! We need music for the Winter Fair. Are you a musician or in a choir or do you know of a choir that would like to sing or a group of musicians that would like to play at our Winter Fair on **Saturday 1st December?** We're looking for singers or musicians to perform for half an hour during the event, between 12-3pm Please email us on the FoG email address if you can help.

Raffle ticket selling help: can you help us with the sale of raffle tickets? Please email [Alison\(alison_stace@yahoo.co.uk\)](mailto:alison_stace@yahoo.co.uk) if you can. Thank you

Dates for the diary

Friday 19th October End of Term Halloween cake sale - 3.30pm- upper playground

Friday 9th November- children's Bingo

Friday 23rd November - Adults Secret Cinema night

Saturday 1st December winter Fair 2018

Friday 14th December: children's disco

Friday 25th January - Ceilidh (a social event with Scottish or Irish folk music and singing, traditional dancing, and storytelling)

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