

KEEPING SAFE & HEALTHY

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CHRISTIAN VALUES

Friendship & Wisdom



COMMUNITY NEWS

Organised by Ross Rotary and Ross Lions

Ross on Wye Pancake Races

Sunday 15th February 2026

Free Entry

Ross on Wye Town Centre
 Registration at the Market House from 11am
 Races start 12 noon
 Certificate for all entrants, winners medals and a lot of free fun!

Special Prizes
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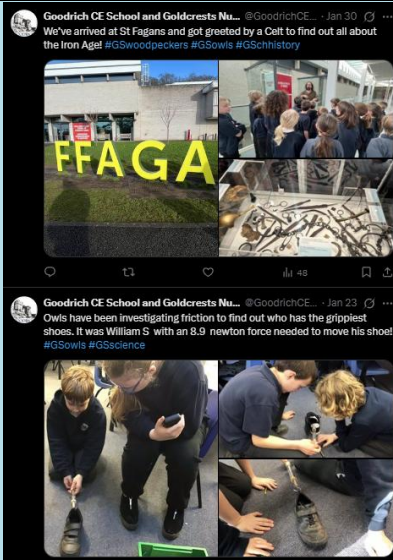
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Attendance		8 th Edition 2025-26	30 th January 2026	House points		
Reception	92.5%	<p>School Prayer </p> <p>Dear God, Bless our school. Bless our teachers. Bless our pupils. Bless our families. Please help us to be kind and help us to always try our best. Let us remember, as many hands make a house, So many hearts make a school. Amen</p>	<p>GOODRICH</p> <p>Diocese of Hereford Multi-Academy Trust</p> <p>A FAMILY OF SCHOOLS FLOURISHING TOGETHER</p>	<p>Goodrich Church of England Primary School</p> <p>Collective Worship</p> <p>At this time of year we think about Epiphany</p> <p>We are team players. We show Friendship and value wisdom.</p> <p>"A friend knows at all times" (Proverbs 27:10)</p>	Dragon	16
Year 1	94.2%				Pegasus	19
Year 2	96.7%				Griffin	24
Year 3	97.2%				Phoenix	21
Year 4	94.4%					
Year 5	91.1%					
Year 6	97.7%					
TOTAL	94.8%					

Primary School Newsletter

Twitter Snapshot @GoodrichCESch



Reminders

- Please make sure that your children not only have a warm coat but also a named gloves and a hat
- Please make sure that all items coming into school are clearly named.
- Please don't send in chocolate or crisps to school as a snack.

PTFA/ Eco

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAYS

Hot cocoa and biscuits available from the Smiles door every Friday after school. Perfect for cold winter days!

- £1.50 - Hot Chocolate
- £2.00 - Hot Chocolate & Biscuit



News

Dear Parents,

As you know our school rules are Be **Ready, Safe** and **Respectful**.

At the moment we are needing to visit the last one, quite a lot in conversations with children of all ages. Children seem to react instinctively and in a rushed way, rather than considering the impact of their words or behaviours.

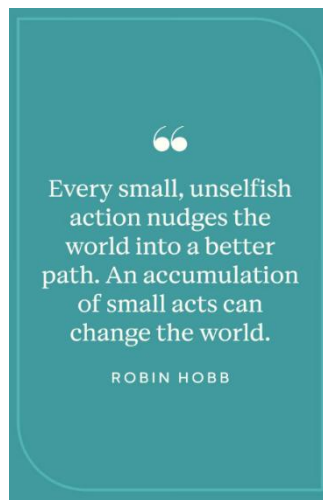
I would be very grateful if all families could talk about this at home as it impacts, who we all are and how we make others feel every day. What is being respectful and what does that look like with adults we know and those we don't? With children, older and younger, in our school, or those we meet in the community.

Our staff frequently revisit the importance of role modelling these behaviours in our interactions with each other, the children, visitors and family members. The children watch and learn from our every move and from each other. That doesn't mean that we never make mistakes and so, it is important to talk about that too and how we make amends. We call these restorative actions.

We want to encourage all of our children to choose their behaviours with kindness and to always THINK first! We would be very grateful if this can be reinforced at home.

Best wishes
Mrs Miles



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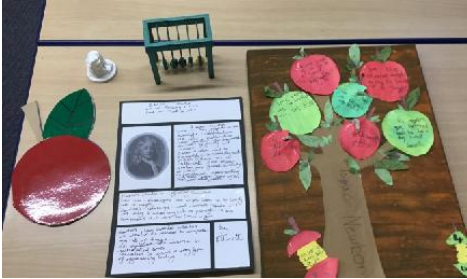
Class News

Goldcrests have been on an adventure using the story of 'Riley and Rose,' we discovered how to create shapes and turn them into flowers, insects, tents and boats travelling on the sea. We played shape games, where we selected, named and combined shapes to make new 2D and 3D shapes. We have also been discussing how we are all similar but also different and unique. This led us to create our PSHE display, using our scissor skills to create snowflakes all as unique as us.

This week the children have been making up silly rhymes using everyone's names. Practising rhyming CVC words such as cat, mat, hat, rat etc.



Goldcrests	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow play!	Words of the Week
	When we were talking about shapes, Ludo remembered that a square "sides are all the same, and a rectangle has two small and two long sides. A triangle has three sides."			Initial sounds 'o' ostrich octopus otter 'c/k' car cat ketchup kite

Wrens	<p>Wrens have been busy learning lots of new skills over the last couple of weeks. In Maths, Year One have been working hard understanding numbers to twenty, building confidence with recognition and place value. Reception have been looking at numbers to eight and talking about which numbers are ‘more than’ others. We have been talking about the properties of materials in science. This week we had an unexpected visit from a Bear, who came into Wrens feeling very upset because his umbrella had broken. The children were quick to come up with solutions for him and suggest that we make him a new umbrella. We looked at some different materials, made predictions and tested each option to see which ones were waterproof. It was a great investigation, and we all had lots of fun. Teddy went home very happy and the proud new owner of a new umbrella!</p>			
	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow play!	Words of the Week
<p>Whilst reading this week Tabby pointed to a speech bubble and said, “That’s someone talking because there is a speech bubble and speech marks... let me think about the voice I am going to use.”</p>	<p>This week in Wrens we have been looking at the importance of our school rules and why we have them. The children came up with lots of ideas as to how we can ensure that we are ready, safe and respectful.</p>	 <p>In English we did some hot seating. Jessica was the Little Red Hen, and the children asked her questions.</p>	<p>properties investigate predict fair test waterproof</p>	
Robins	<p>In Science the children have been investigating which material would make the strongest bridge, they have been making predictions, reasoning why they think that. In Maths we have begun to explore multiplication and division, beginning by counting in twos, fives and tens and exploring equal and unequal groups. This week in PE the children have been taking their body weight on their hands in various moves such the crab, bridge and japana. Finally, in our Forest School session, the children had an afternoon learning about different birds following the RSPB ‘Big Garden Birdwatch’ last week. The children were very excited to share all that they already knew about different types of birds.</p>			
	Quote of the week	Body & Mind	Wow work!	Words of the Week
<p>In Maths when discussing odd and even numbers, Jasper said, “If it was twenty thousand and one, you would know that’s an odd number as it’s got a one at the end.”</p>	<p>After lunch the children are continuing to enjoy mindfulness moments to prepare for the afternoons learning activities. Try these at home. <u>Rainbow Relaxation:</u> <u>Mindfulness for Children</u> <u>Bubble Bounce!</u> <u>Mindfulness for Children</u> <u>(Mindful Looking)</u></p>	 <p>Some beautiful seascape art using pastels</p>	<p>prediction conclusion japana multiplication</p>	

Woodpeckers	<p>In English, we have been using our inferences about the different eggs from 'Tell me a Dragon' to write a list poem and describe the colours of the eggs. In Maths, we have been exploring the school environment to see what types of angles we can find and have also been learning about different types of polygons and their properties. In Science, we have been sorting different types of rock into natural and man-made and looking at the rock cycle to understand how natural rocks are made. In Art, we have been using different techniques to design a dragon eye, which we will make out of clay and in Forest School, we have been learning about different British birds and how they can be identified. To end the week, we went on a trip to St Fagans National Museum to take part in an Iron Age workshop to help us learn more about what life was like during this time.</p>			
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	<p>During a Maths activity, the children were asked to discuss what was the same and what was different about two quadrilaterals. Sam said, "I can see that both shapes have four right angles".</p> <p>Oliver said, "They are different because one shape has two longer sides, where as the other shape's sides are all the same size".</p> <p>Elsie added; "They have perpendicular lines and the rectangle's horizontal lines are longer than the vertical lines".</p>	<p>In Wake & Shake, we have been getting physically active using some 'Just Dance' routines.</p>	<p>Some of our super scientific research projects about our famous scientist, Mary Anning!</p>  	<p>acute angle obtuse angle polygon natural man-made</p>
Owls	<p>In Maths we have been learning about the properties of two-dimensional (2D) shapes and now we are moving onto learning about area and perimeter. We have also been applying our Maths skills in our science lessons where we have been investigating forces using a Newton meter. We were set the challenge to investigate what type of shoe created the largest amount of friction. We discovered that our school shoes generally had the most amount of grip, with William S' school shoes being the grippiest in the class and therefore creating the largest amount of friction, requiring 8.9 newtons of force to move it along the carpet!</p> <p>In History, we have started learning about the Bronze Age and the Iron Age and we are looking forward to finding out lots more on our trip to St Fagans on Friday.</p>			
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	<p>Referring to our science experiment, Elsie said, "William will be alright on an icy day!"</p>	<p>In RE we read the story, 'Jesus heals a man with leprosy.' This led to a discussion about treating everyone with kindness and dignity. We have been trying to follow this example to make the world a better place.</p>	<p>Super science research on Sir Isaac Newton!</p>	<p>resistance extract adjacent parallel scalene isosceles equilateral</p>

In Science, we have been learning about the components of blood and their functions while in RE we have been discussing incarnation and ‘Was Jesus the Messiah?’ In Geography, we have been continuing our Climate Education workshops where we have been exploring methods of transport and how much carbon dioxide is produced per person when different modes of travel are used. We have also looked at what percentage of greenhouse gases come from our food systems. Did you know a steak creates 5000g of carbon dioxide/methane compared to a portion of carrots which creates just 30g?

Peregrines

Quotes from the week	Body & Mind	Wow work!	Words of the Week
<p>We have been discussing our thoughts on social media being banned for under 16s. These are some of our thoughts:</p> <p>“We can spend more time outside and in nature.”</p> <p>“We will be more mature when we come to use it.”</p> <p>“We won’t see inappropriate content.”</p> <p>“We won’t be influenced by things we see or read.”</p> <p>“I hope it doesn’t mean YouTube, Snapchat or WhatsApp go.”</p>	 <p>Enjoying the muddy environment in Forest School.</p>	 <p>These are some of our research projects about famous scientist, Maria Telkes.</p>	<p>meagre abundant insincere methane genuine</p>

Class Superstars

Wrens	Robins	Woodpeckers	Owls	Peregrines
Ralphi Herbie	Imogen Andie	Elsie Asa	Elliot Lucy	Aleeah Orianna

Headteacher
Star Award

Mrs Miles is on the lookout for her next star. Keep being TIPTOP!

Calendar

Forest School		Celebration Worship		Other Dates	
02/02/202	Wrens	13/02/2025	Owls		
04/02/2026	Year 5 & 6			20/02/2026	Yr R & 6 National Child Measuring Programme
09/02/2026	Robins			24/02/2026	Parent Consultations
11/02/2026	Year 3 & 4			25/02/2026	Parent Consultations
				05/03/2025	World Book Day
				16-20/02/26	Half Term

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Race Categories and Order

- Under 5 years
- 5 - 7 years
- 8 - 11 years
- 12 - 14 years
- Adult - ladies
- Adult - men
- Teams (4 people any ages)



Business teams also welcome!

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8TH FEB
2026



MEET THE TEAM

We're looking for enthusiastic players in Years 2 & 3 to join our under 7 and under 8 tag rugby teams! No experience needed - just energy, commitment and a love for sport. Come and join us for a **free open training session** to meet the team and the Coaches. Post training Pizza will be provided in the clubhouse!

Sunday 8th February 2026

10.00 - 11.00

Ross RFC, HR9 7GQ

What3Words:
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info@rossrugby.co.uk

<https://rossrugby.rfu.club>



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**SATURDAY
7TH FEBRUARY
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Red Kite

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**WEDNESDAY
4TH FEBRUARY**

Red Kite

SLOTH Plushie
Children's Hand Sewing Workshop

Whale Plushie
Children's Hand Sewing Workshop

Pizza Plushie
Children's Hand Sewing Workshop

Broccoli Plushie
Children's Hand Sewing Workshop

MILKSHAKE PLUSHIE
CHILDREN'S HAND SEWING WORKSHOP

Children's Workshops at Make-it Happen Feb Half Term 2026

Get 50% Off Second Child

**Make-it Happen
February Half Term
Children's Workshops**

Workshop	Date & Time
Axolotl Plushie	Tuesday 17th February 10am - 11am
Rainbow Plushie	Tuesday 17th February 11am - 12pm
Avocado Plushie	Wednesday 18th February 10am - 11am
Sloth Plushie	Wednesday 18th February 11am - 12pm
Rocket Plushie	Thursday 19th February 10am - 11am
Milkshake Plushie	Thursday 19th February 11am - 12pm
Whale Plushie	Friday 20th February 10am - 11am
Broccoli Plushie	Friday 20th February 11am - 12pm
Pizza Plushie	Saturday 21st February 10am - 11am
Magic Wand	Saturday 21st February 11am - 12pm

Book through our website
www.make-ithappencreativedreams.com

FEBRUARY HALF TERM INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Our intensive lessons are perfect for children aged 4+ who are new to lessons, or children on our Learn to Swim programme wanting to progress to the next stage.

Designed to help build confidence, improve technique, and have fun, all in just 4 sessions!

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☆ STAGE 1 INTENSIVE

Swim lessons perfect for beginners aged 4+ to boost water confidence in just 4 days!

☆ STAGE 2 INTENSIVE

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☆ FAMILY SWIM

Throughout the half-term break, enjoy exciting swimming sessions for all ages.

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