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Dear Parents and Carers,

Class Four visit to RHS Garden Rosemoor

Class Four enjoyed their festive trip to Rosemoor where they spent time making Christmas crafts and playing in the beautiful surroundings.







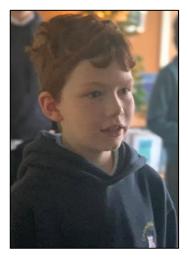
Christingle

The children learned about the Christian celebration of Christingle and made their own Christingles.



'The Big Sing'

The children really enjoyed taking part in 'The Big Sing' and learning a new carol, 'New Born King'. You can watch the video on the Class Four blog.







Covid-19 Arrangements from Saturday 19th December

If you need to notify the school of a confirmed positive case of Covid-19 of a pupil during the Christmas holiday period please email: covid@goodilf.org.uk. This mailbox will be monitored from Saturday 19th December until 3.30 pm on Thursday 24th December inclusive.

Should we have a confirmed positive case of one of our pupils or members of staff during the holidays, we will only contact you if you need to self-isolate.

Free School Meal Applications

If you think that you may be entitled to free school meals due to a change of circumstance please apply through the Devon Citizen's Portal, it will give you an instant decision, alternatively you can call the education helpline on 0345 155 1019.

Nativities Supplement North Devon Journal

Class One/Two have their photo in this week's North Devon Journal.

Northern Devon Foodbank

A huge thank you for your donations of food for the foodbank your generosity does make a difference.

Topics

The Spring Term will commence on Tuesday 5th January 2021 and the topics are as follows:

Class One/Two - Moon Zoom

Class Three - Traders and Raiders

Class Four - Ancient Greece

The children in Years One to Six will be bringing home their topic books for you to share.

School Dinner Menu

The current menu will continue until 11th February. It will be week three's menu on the first week back

Attendance

Your child's current attendance data from the start of term until today has been sent home in a sealed envelope.

Forest School

Class One/Two will have Forest School every week as follows:

EYFS	Wednesday AM
Year One	Wednesday PM
Year Two	Thursday PM

Please can you ensure that your child has warm clothing and wellington boots in school. Please review the clothing list on our website: https://www.goodleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/parents-information/uniform/.

Forest School clothing will be sent home each week for washing. It would be really helpful if all clothing is named. Thank you.

Gymnastics, Trampolining and Sports Coaching

Class One/Two will have weekly trampolining sessions with Air Extreme on Tuesdays commencing on Tuesday 5th January. Please include your child's trampolining jump socks in their PE kit. The children will also have five weeks of sports coaching on Fridays commencing on 8th January.

Classes Three and Four will have weekly gymnastics sessions with Falcons on Mondays commencing on Monday 11^{th} January.

Swimming

From Friday 8th January Classes Three and Four will be swimming at Barnstaple Leisure Centre. We are employing swimming coaches and every child will have a one hour lesson. We would normally be taking the whole school at this time but because of the Covid changing arrangements we have decided to commence with Class One/Two swimming sessions after February half term. We have secured the pool for them from week commencing 22nd February until Easter and we intend to follow on with further sessions in the Summer term although the leisure centre are not taking bookings for this yet.

Although at the moment Covid arrangements at the pool will not allow spectators should the rules change we are requesting that parents and carers do not come along as spectators as this is very distracting and it can cause distress and unnecessary upset for a number of children. We commit significant resources to this activity and want all children to enjoy the experience and make maximum progress. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

One piece swimming costumes need to be worn and swimming trunks should not be below the knees. If your child's hair is below their shoulders it will need to be tied back or they will need to wear a swimming hat. If your child normally wears swimming goggles they may wear them to the lessons, although you will need to have provided permission and accepted responsibility for any injury involving swimming goggles within the Parental Consent (SOE3a) Form.

Class Blogs

In addition to the school newsletter we post news and articles on our class blogs and Twitter feed. You will find links to the blogs on the school website

https://www.goodleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/blog/ and you can subscribe to our twitter feed: www.twitter.com/GoodleighSch

After School Clubs

Please note that after school clubs will commence on Tuesday 5^{th} January with film club for families that require this provision.

A permission slip with details of all clubs will be issued on Tuesday 5th January.

Primary School Admissions for September 2021

The admissions team have asked us to remind all that the primary school admissions closing date is at midnight on 15th January 2021.

The staff and children would like to thank you for your support during 2020 and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant

Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Tuesday 5 th January	Back to school
Thursday 7 th January	Class 1/2 Space Dome
Tuesday 12 th January	Class 4 Pottery Workshop with potter, Taz Pollard
Wednesday 20 th January	Class 1/2 Visit to RHS Garden Rosemoor 'Gardens are Good
	for you'
Friday 12 th February	Non-pupil day
Monday 15 th - Friday 19 th February	Half term

Northern Devon Foodbank Christmas Opening Hours										
W	Monday 21st Dec	Tuesday 22nd Dec	Weds 23rd Dec	Thurs 24th Dec		Monday 28th Dec	Tuesday 29th Dec	Weds 30th Dec	Thurs 31st Dec	Fri 1st Jan
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South Molton Centre	Closed	Closed	Closed	10:00 A.M to 12:30 P.M	y Ch	Closed	Closed	Closed	10:00 A.M to 12:30 P.M	Closed
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Holsworthy Centre	Closed	Closed	2:00 P.M to 4:00 P.M	Closed	H	Closed	Closed	2:00 P.M to 4:00 P.M	Closed	Closed