

# Goodrich Community Primary School

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2015

*Dear Goodrich,*

## **Year 5 trip to the Ragged School**



This week Year 5 went to the Ragged School to experience what life was like for Victorian children and the conditions they lived in. Many children enjoyed dressing up as Victorians and learnt how disciplined the schools were. We found out that the Victorians wrote on slates with a thick piece of lead. In Victorian times children would be punished if they were fidgeting or didn't understand. Some children who were left-handed found it challenging because all children were forced to write with their right hand! We also found out that most Victorians lived in one room and that adults were seen as more important so children slept on the floor and adults slept in the bed! In the end, it turned out to be a fantastic trip and a great experience.

Written by Nadirah & Arabella

## **After School Clubs Notice**

Our After School clubs are smoothly running and there are many clubs available. If your children are interested in any clubs, the details are available from the office. There have been some complaints that the areas the parents are using to wait for their children, are being left untidy, once the clubs have finished. In line with our healthy eating policy, children are allowed a healthy snack of fruit. Please ensure that all litter is thrown away. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Sports News**

Goodrich have done so well in their competitive sports that both the A and B team have qualified for the quarter finals for the Southwark cup. In a cruel twist of fate both teams have been drawn against each other! On the bright side a Goodrich team is guaranteed to make the semi-finals. We wish both teams good luck and this draw will give the team players an opportunity to demonstrate their sportsmanship.

We would also like to wish the Goodrich Basketball team good luck in their trials for the Southwark cup.

## **ECO News**

All the classes are joining in the 'Big Switch Off' fortnight and RYE are pleased to tell you that everyone is working together to try and save energy and money off our electricity bill! We will be reading the meter with Mr Bannon and will find out how much we saved.

## **International Food and Music Event**

We are very excited to announce that we will be holding an International Food and Music Event on 5<sup>th</sup> March from 3:45 to 6:15 in the Lower Hall. We have music from around the World including a Mexican band and an Irish band of 10. Luke Dunlea will be treating us to some Spanish Guitar and we are also lucky enough to have talented parents who are going to perform.

We would like parents to donate an international dish so if you would like to contribute or know a great recipe please contact your class teacher or Ms Collinson.

## **Peace Project**

Children and parents at Goodrich have expressed a strong interest in developing a Peace Project initiative. We want to celebrate our differences and enable the children to promote peace through discussion, arts, music and multi-media.

We will be developing assemblies and cross curricular lessons to support this and welcome

contributions and positive ideas from the whole community. If you would like to get involved please contact, Ms Morgan, Ms Dixon and Ms Collinson.

### **Easter Holiday camp at Goodrich**

We are pleased to announce that Youngstars Holiday Camp has now agreed to take children up to 10 and to offer Goodrich parents a 25% discount. Every Youngstars Holiday Camp is guaranteed to be full of fun games and excitement whilst introducing aspects of several sports including the following... football, rugby, basketball, cricket, lacrosse, hockey, tennis, t-ball & athletics, all within a non-competitive environment. Every game, drill and exercise is designed to improve coordination, awareness, motor skills and above all team work. All Youngstars need a bit of downtime during their time at Camp, so after snack and lunchtime they will be getting the creative juices flowing with structured and rotated arts & craft activities. Youngstars coaches are one of the most important aspects of a well-run Holiday Camp which is why they take great care during the recruitment process. It's essential that both parents and children are comfortable with the staff from the moment they walk through the door right through to home time and the high five on the way out. The team consists of Teachers & Early Years sports coaches who possess the character, enthusiasm and experience to deliver a fun but structured Holiday Camp.

If you have any further questions or would like more details on our Holiday Camps, please feel free to get in touch with Youngstars directly, there is also a lot of information on their website.

Youngstars are Ofsted Registered and able to take Childcare Vouchers as payment, combine this with an online booking system and the whole process should be fairly painless!

Dates: Monday 30th March to Thursday 2nd April and Tuesday 7th April to Friday 10th April  
(There is no minimum number of days you need to book)

Times: 9am to 1pm (3 to 10 years) & Extended Day 1pm to 3pm (5 to 10 years)

Price: £29 per day & £42 Extended Day

As a special introductory rate for Goodrich pupils, please enter the voucher code 'Goodrich' to receive 25% on your booking total.

For more info and to make a booking go to:

[www.young-stars.co.uk](http://www.young-stars.co.uk)

Talk to John on 0845 222 1313 or 07920 426 499

### **Friends of Goodrich News**

**Valentine's Day Cake Sale** - Friday 13th February

**FoG Committee Meeting** - 10th March

**Quiz Night** - Friday 13th March

**Fun Run** - Sunday 10th May

### **Valentines Cake Sale**

If you love cakes then you'll love our Valentine's Cake Sale on Friday 13th February from 3.30pm in the quiet playground.

Please do bring any donations either to the office or to the table on the day. Thank you.

### **Quiz Night Tickets on sale NOW!!**

Tickets for the Quiz night on Friday 13th March are now available at the office for £12.

The ticket price includes a fish and chip supper - delivered by Emily's on Northcross Road. Buy your tickets quickly to avoid disappointment!

(When purchasing your ticket, please let us know if you require a vegetarian option.)

### **Children's Author Visit to Goodrich**

Friends of Goodrich are delighted that we have been able to arrange a visit to Goodrich from well known children's author Jason Beresford on Friday 13th February.

Jason will be taking the Junior Assembly and then working with Year 4 children throughout the day.

Do take a look at Jason's website to find out more about his

work. <http://www.thefabulousfourfishfingers.com>

### **Don't forget to like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter!**

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F <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Goodrich-FOG/148567115177301>

T <https://twitter.com/GoodrichFoG>

### **Parents Evening**

We are pleased to offer you a drop-in session on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-6pm with Humera; our dyslexic specialist. Please take advantage of this. She will be based in the parents room.

**Have a great weekend everyone.**

*Lesley Collinson*

**KS1 Phase Leader**