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# Gooderstone Gazette

The newsletter from Gooderstone C of E Primary Academy - Your school, your news!

#### Worship theme: Parables

Stars of the week:

**Owls:** Emilia, for being a superstar. Skylarks: Daisy, great attitude towards her learning. Kestrels: Hayden, for fantastic effort in all lessons this week.

Writers of the week:

**Owls:** Betsy Skylarks: Charlie Kestrels: Rowan

Weekly Attendance Award: Owls & Skylarks

Winners!!! Curie (blue

house) have a non-school uniform day on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

### SATS The Year 6 National Tests will take place on the week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. Year 2 will also be taking part in statutory testing the week after half term. We will be sending home information for parents about the tests with the children tonight. While we want the children to show their true potential and score well. A reminder is often needed that these test are only a measure of maths, reading, spelling, grammar and punctuation. They do not take into account how special and unique each one of our children is. They do not show what amazing; singers, sportsmen, artists, linguists and historians they are. They cannot measure what a great friend they are and how caring they can be to others. However the staff here do, we know all these things about them, how hard they have worked and the progress they have made. So we encourage them to think of these tests as a way to show off what they know and let us worry about the rest. If you have any questions about the up-coming tests then please feel free to talk to your child's class teacher

### Plimsolls Plea

There are still many children in school without a pair of indoor shoes. This applies mostly to the children in Kestrels' class. We ask that children keep these in school to help keep the classrooms stay in a good condition. 56 sets of muddy shoes walking around the school can quickly ruin a carpet. If your child has lost their plimsolls then please look in our over flowing lost property bin.

## Let every light shine

### Behaviour at clubs.

We try to put on a variety of clubs to spark your child's interests some of these are heavily subsidised by school. It is important to remind your children that the behaviour expectations do not change because they are attending an after school club with a different adult. Swearing, name calling and being rude to adults will not be tolerated and will result in your child being asked to leave the club and them no longer being allowed to take part in any after school activities.

#### Sports Day

On  $24^{th}$  May we will be having our sports day. We have planned to do it earlier this year to ensure we have a back-up day in case the British weather decides to stop play again (we all need to do our best sun dance that week)

In the morning children will be in houses and will be taking part in events to gain points for their house. In the afternoon we will have the running races, which you are invited to come and watch. These races will start at 1.30pm, chairs will be put out for you to sit on along the track on the top field. As always there will be mum, dad and toddler races so make sure you bring your running shoes! The children will need to wear a t-shirt in their house colour. They will need to come to school in their uniform and get changed once at school. Please ensure that your children have a pair of trainers in school that day as they are much better for running in than plimsolls or school shoes.

During the afternoon our fabulous band of Friends will be providing the athletes with an ice pop each. Being a spectator is also thirty work, so Friends will also be offering refreshments for the adults and children watching. Make sure you bring some pennies for tea, coffee and cake.

Dates for your diary. Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May: Skylarks' Gathering 9.30am Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May: KS2 National test week. Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May: Owls' Gooderstone Gathering 9am Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May: Kestrels' Gathering 9am Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May: Sports Day Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June: Half term Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June: Children back to school. Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July: Bags2School Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July: Friends end of term coffee morning

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