



Gooderstone Gazette

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

This week's Worship theme:

Thankfulness

Stars of the week:

Owls: Hattie being a superstar & working hard all the time.

Skylarks: Adam being a sensible & mature role model.

Kestrels: Leo Bowes for superb perseverance and resilience.

Writer of the week:

Owls: Tyler

Skylarks: Daisy

Kestrels: Rowan

Weekly Attendance Award:

Kestrels

Parliament Week

All of this week we have been looking into democracy and how voting works in the UK. Kestrels' class divided into different political parties and decided on what they would like to change about the school (the hot tubs in the mobile and the vending machines proved particularly popular). The winning party was the Future Party! Our School Prime Minister is Rowan!

Jewellery at School

Our school uniform policy only allows children to wear a small pair of earrings and a watch to school. However, we know there are times of the year, when children may also want to wear a charity wristband. We are happy to allow this, but please be aware that if the band is causing a distraction or affecting their learning, the teachers may ask them to remove it. Snap bands are not allowed at school. No other bracelets, necklaces etc. are allowed. Any jewellery worn to school needs to be removed for PE, adventure playground and other activities where it may cause an injury. Please note it is the children's responsibility to look after their jewellery and we cannot be responsible for lost items. If something is precious, we suggest it does not come to school.

Cake Friday

Don't forget that we need your bakes!

This week the proceeds from our cake raffle went to Children in Need!

£36.90

Healthy School

As we are a healthy school, I would like to ask that you choose the items for your children's lunch carefully. From looking at lunches recently, we have noticed an increase in the amount of unhealthy food being put into lunchboxes. Some of the children have also come to school with sweets and chewing gum in their bags. Therefore, we would like to remind you that the children's lunches are not to include fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate. We will continue to remind the children of this.

Let every light shine

East Anglia Sports Academy

We have been lucky enough to have the East Anglia Sports Academy come to help us in P.E. lessons. The children have been learning how to play tag rugby and have thoroughly enjoyed getting stuck in the mud.

From next Tuesday, Mr Clarke will also be running a multi sports club for children and parents. A letter will go home for this with the children today. This is available for all children and parents in the school.

Interventions

As many of you know, we have introduced PiXL as a form of assessment and intervention. Many of the children will be involved in these interventions so they all have an opportunity to progress. We will also introduce some interventions to start before school from 8:45- 9:05. If your child is involved in these you will receive a slip to let you know.

Thank you!

Thank you all for your ongoing support with the school. We really appreciate it, especially as we are such a small school community. The turnout for the Remembrance Service was great and we have been able to raise lots of money for different charities lately.

Big Question of the Week

What's the best way to show our gratitude for others?

Dates coming up...

*Monday 12th – 16th November: UK Parliament week.
Friday 16th November: Children In Need, Bring and Buy Sale.
Thursday 22nd November: 9.00am. SENCo Kenco Meeting.
Friday 23rd November: Scootability sessions.
Monday 26th November: Road Safety for Reception and Year 2
Tuesday 27th November: Seatbelt Safety Year 4
Friday 30th November: Skylarks' Gooderstone Gathering
Wednesday 5th December: Gooderstone community tea party.
Friday 7th December: Kestrels' Gooderstone Gathering.
Tuesday 11th December: 2pm & 6pm Lights Camel Action- Our Nativity.
Friday 14th December: 3.30pm Christmas Fair.*

Let every light shine

Maths Problem of the Week

You have a set of the digits from 0 - 9.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Can you arrange these digits in the five boxes below to make two-digit numbers as close to the targets as possible? You may use each digit once only.

largest even number

largest odd number

smallest odd number

largest multiple of 5

number closest to 50

How will you know that your solution is as close to the targets as possible?

Younger children could just try and find an answer for each statement and may use each digit card more than once if they wish.

An interactive version of this problem where you can move the cards around can be found here: <https://nrich.maths.org/6343>

Each week's problem & and a box for posting your solutions in can be found in the school hall. Remember to put your name (& class) on your solutions.

This problem involves **trial & error**. You need to be prepared to move the cards around in order to find a solution that works for each box. The Year 6 National Tests which our oldest children take before they move on to High School often feature a question in this style.