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# Gooderstone Gazette

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

## **Welcome back.**

What a very different start of term it has been for all of us, face masks, staggered starts, finishes and a lot of hand sanitiser, but we have settled in to our new routines well. Thank you for your support in establishing these and helping us to lower the chances of the spread of Coronavirus in our school.

The children have been amazing over the last two weeks, they have come back into school in high spirits and very ready to learn. They have worked hard, got on very well with each other and have been a joy to have back in the building.

We are concentrating very hard on filling any gaps in their knowledge and if you would like to know more about what your children are learning then please visit our website's (link below) where the class pages and subject areas explore our curriculum at length.

<http://www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk/curriculum-subjects/relationship-sex-and-health-education/>

### **Star of the week:**

**Owls** – Eliza, for being really super helpful and kind at lunchtime.

**Skylarks** – Noah, for being super enthusiastic in his approach to school work.

**Kestrels** – Dexter, for always working hard and with a willing smile.

### **Wow of the week:**

**Owls** – Ruby, for amazing effort in Maths.

**Skylarks** – Betsy, for reading every night and reading a poem in class.

**Kestrels** – Violet, for a wonderfully moving letter to her special person.

## **Staff**

For those of you who missed the letters in July Miss Stanley had her baby boy Elliot during lockdown and is now on maternity leave. Mrs Dunkley is covering Kestrels until Miss Stanley returns. With the departure of Mrs Oswick we have also employed Mrs Skilton to share Owls' class teaching with Mrs Chisman.

We are lucky to have appointed two very experienced and strong teachers that are great assets to our Gooderstone family.

## **Sharing Assembly**

Sharing assemblies cannot run at the moment due to limiting the amount of people coming in to the school building. We are still celebrating the children, their achievements and work in class on Fridays. We will post on the class pages on our website and our Facebook page - the 'Stars of the week' and the 'Wows of the week.' They will, as always, be mentioned on our newsletter each week!

## **Online Safety**

You may have heard in the news about an inappropriate and unpleasant videos circulating on social media sites. While none of our children are old enough to have their own facebook, twitter, Instagram or ticktock accounts, we know that some of our older children do access some of these. Inappropriate content can also be hidden within videos on Youtube. All children are taught about e-safety as part of our school curriculum. If you would like more information about how to keep you children safe online, please go to: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

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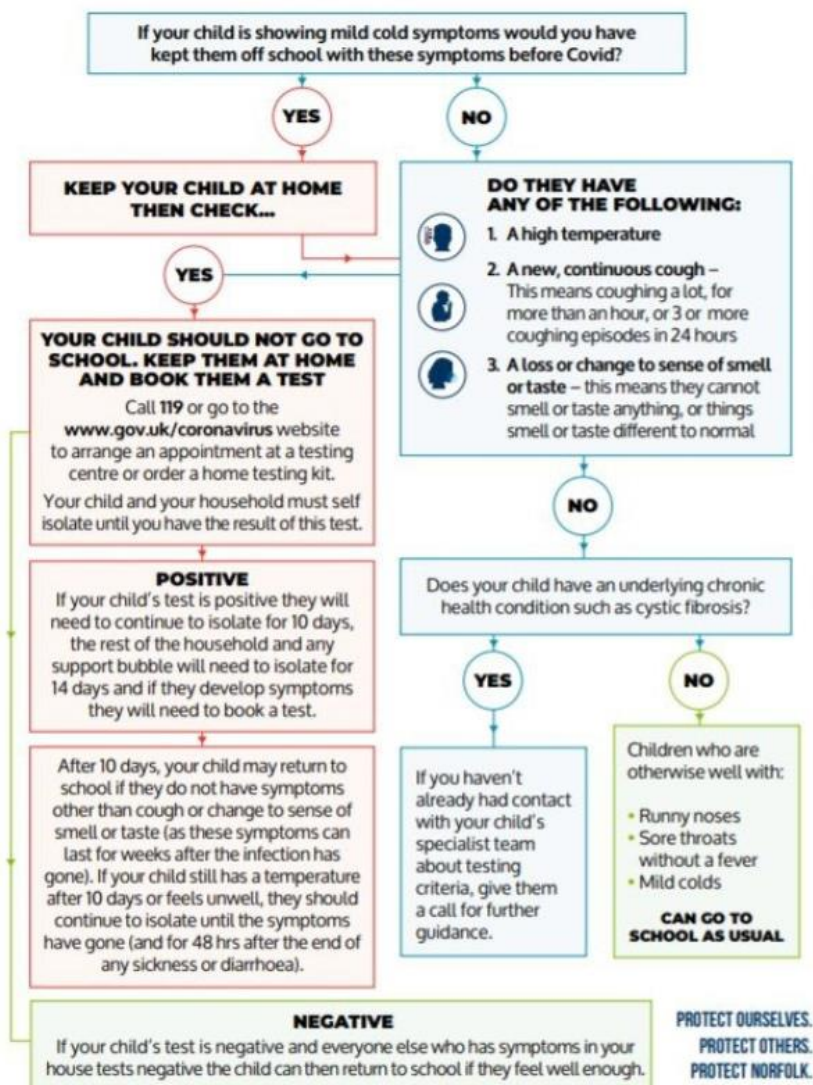
## Symptom Checking

It is a very worrying time for us all and it can be very difficult to know what to do if your child becomes unwell. We are entering cold and flu season and at some point we are all going to have make decisions on if it is just a cold. To help you make this call we have sent out the Norfolk County Council flow chart and also other government guidelines.

You know your children best and are better placed to judge if they are suffering with the symptoms of COVID or the normal winter bugs. We all want what is best for the children and where possible we encourage you to send your children to school as they have already missed so much.

If your child is displaying symptoms of the virus- new continuous cough, temperature and loss of sense of smell and taste, then keep them off school and phone 111. Please keep us informed throughout the process. If anyone has a positive test this news (Not names) will be shared. Some children have been coming home and saying that various members of the class have corona virus because they are off with other illnesses. We will let you know, so please don't panic.

### SYMPTOM CHECKER WHEN TO KEEP YOUR CHILD OFF SCHOOL



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