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# Gooderstone Gazette

The Newsletter from **Gooderstone C of E Primary Academy** – Your School, Your News!

## **This Term's Worship theme:**

Honesty

**Big Question:** Is honesty always the best policy?

## **Weekly Attendance Award:**

**Kestrels  
100%**

## **Star of the week:**

**Owls** – Florence, for excellent resilience. when handwriting

**Skylarks** – Daisy, for always being an independent learner.

**Kestrels** – Archie, for a positive attitude and an excellent mindset.

## **Wow of the week:**

**Owls** – Tommy M, for amazing improvement in phonics

**Skylarks** – Lilly, for being brave in our first school swimming lesson.

**Kestrels** – Phoebe, for an exceptional arithmetic score.

## **Transition Weeks**

As usual the children will be moving up to their new classes at the end of the summer term so they have time to get their new teachers and classrooms before the summer holidays. Transition weeks will run from 12th July -21st July. Those current Year 6 pupils, that are not being provided with transition to their High school setting will remain in Kestrels for the transition weeks.

## **Improvement Focus**

Until the end of term our improvement focus is centred around the children's writing. The week after half term we will be focussing on improving the children's confidence with their written skills including with editing.

## **Parent's Evening & Reports**

Thank you to all those parents that attended parent's evening. It has been another unusual academic year for our children so it is more important than ever that school and home work together to get the best outcomes for our children. Having an open dialogue really allows us to help develop the whole child.

We will be sending out our end of year reports towards the end of this half term.

## **Summer Fun**

I know many of you will be wondering what will happen with the usual end of year celebrations and bespoke days. Currently we are still unable to have parents on site and are not allowed to hold large events with lots of bubble mixing. As we know things change rapidly and the advice could and no doubt will change between now and the end of term. Whatever happens we will make sure the children have a wonderful last half term (especially for those that are leaving us) and involve you all anyway we can.

## **Norfolk Music Hub**

Norfolk Music Hub are running a series of free online workshops for children over the summer, on different aspects of music: choir, rap, drumming, samba and more! If you are interested in registering your child for any of them, please see further details here:

<https://www.norfolkmusichub.org.uk/site/summer-sun-online-workshops/>



### After School Clubs

We are pleased to announce that from next Thursday 17th June we will be running our after school clubs once again. These will take place on a Thursday and Friday after school from **3.15pm to 4.15pm**. Every Thursday will be for EYFS and KS1 children and Fridays for KS2 children. We will be sending letters home, so if you would like your child(ren) to attend please complete and return the form to the school office.

### Reading

<https://clpe.org.uk/>

Reading is our biggest priority this academic year, it is the key to unlocking all curriculum subjects for children. As with last year we are using the Power of Reading as a way to encourage children to love books and broaden their reading horizon. We want every child to be a confident reader with a passion for books. We use our Power of reading book as the basis for our English teaching and incorporate it into other subject areas. We also have a class reader which is a shared class book that is read to the children every day.

#### Current Books:

##### Power or Reading books

**Owls:** Jack and the Beanstalk

**Skylarks:** The King who Banned the Dark  
by Emily Haworth-Booth

**Kestrels:** Treason by Berlie Doherty



##### Class Reader:

**Owls:** Piggy Handsome by Pip Jones

**Skylarks:** The Boy who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd

**Kestrels:** The House on the Edge of Magic by Amy Sparkes



### Diary Dates

**Virtual Sharing Assembly:** Every Friday morning, the class bubbles get together via Zoom to share their learning and celebrate the stars and wows of the week.

**Tuesday 29th June:** Reception Vision Screening

**Thursday 22nd July - Friday 4th September:** Half term holidays

**Monday 6th September:** Children back to school

*Every effort is made to stick to the planned dates, but occasionally circumstances beyond our control may affect in-school events. We will always inform you as soon as possible of any changes.  
Thank you for understanding!*

Let every light shine