

19<sup>th</sup> November 2021 Autumn 2 - Issue 10

# **Gooderstone Gazette**

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

### Worship Theme:

Celebration

#### Weekly Attendance Award:

Skylarks & Kestrels 99.38%

# Star of the week:

**Owls** – Samantha, for always working hard and showing kindness and respect.

**Skylarks** – Ellie, for always listening respectfully and for acting on feedback. **Kestrels** – Alice, for always being an exceptional role model.

# Wow of the week:

Owls – Florence, for fantastic writing using questions and great punctuation. Skylarks – Priyah, for a fantastic diary entry and great concentration. Kestrels – Charlie, for fantastic work in maths.

#### Classroom Doors

The classroom doors have had a makeover to reflect the books being read in the class. See if you can spot your classroom door below:







#### **Nativity**

Christmas is not Christmas without a nativity and this year we still intend to put on our tea towels and re-tell the Christmas story. We will be performing Prickly Hay for this year's nativity. The children will be given their parts and scripts next week as well as letter about costumes. This will be a whole school nativity and we hope to be able to perform it in the church as in previous years. If we are unable to do this we will record the performance on Google Classroom for your entertainment.



#### Our learning- What have we been doing this week?

**Owls:** We have had an exciting 'no plan' day learning all about dinosaurs. We made fossils and created our very own dinosaurs. We enjoyed some T-Rex cosmic yoga and earnt about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.

**Skylarks:** We have worked hard on our diary entries this week. We went on a treasure hunt for lost happy ending and then wrote about it in our diary. The children showed some fantastic writing skills.

**Kestrels:** We have started our artwork this week and created some portraits of famous women through History using photographs and carbon paper. We will be holding a gallery opening later this half term.

#### BBC Children in Need

Today the staff and children came to school in their pyjamas raising money for Children in Need, an amazing charity that changes children's lives for the better. So far we have raised **£61.75**. I think we can all agree PJ days are great and we would all love to come to school every day in our PJ's! Thank you for your continued support.



#### Christmas Lunch

We will be holding our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 15th December.

If you would like to book a Christmas meal for your child(ren) please book via the Parentmail App. If you do not wish to book a meal, you will need to provide your child(ren) with a home packed lunch.





This year we will be holding once again a Christmas Jumper Day to raise money for Save The Children. This will take place on Friday 10th December. If your child would like to take part, please send them to school with a Christmas jumper and a £1.00 for a donation.



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: The Jolly Postman

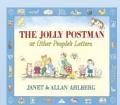
Skylarks: The Lost Happy Endings

Kestrels: Cosmic

Class Reader: Owls: Esio Trot

**Skylarks:** The Castle of Tangled Magic

**Kestrels:** Boy Giant













### 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.

Thursday 25th November: - Flu Nasal Spray Vaccine Reception - Yr6

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December:** - Christmas Jumper Day **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** - Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 15th December: - Christmas Fair 5pm - Playground

Monday 20th December: - Wednesday 5th January: Christmas Holidays

Thursday 6th January:- Children Back to School

Wednesday 12th January: - NHS Height/Weight checks Recep & Yr6 -

Vision and Hearing checks Recep only – (NHS letter to follow)

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!