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Gooderstone Gazette

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

Worship Theme:

Celebration

Weekly Attendance Award:

**Kestrels
100%**

Star of the week:

Owls – Eva, for always being helpful and listening well.

Skylarks – Billy, for fantastic enthusiasm in class this week.

Kestrels – Adam, for being an exceptional role model.

Wow of the week:

Owls – Evie, for doing Numbots at home.

Skylarks – Lilly, for a fantastic piece of homework this week.

Kestrels – Alice, for super focus when writing her biography.

Our learning - What have we been doing this week?

Owls: This week we have been practising our writing skills by writing letters to Santa and we are visiting the post-box on Monday to send them to the North Pole. We also enjoyed running in the snow during our daily mile!



Skylarks: We had great fun learning about fossils on our SAW day this week. We made trace and mould fossils and ammonite art. We are really enjoying our Rocks topic in Science!

Kestrels: This week in Maths we have been working on converting between fractions, percentages and decimals. We have looked at lots of different ways of doing this. We have also had our first space day where we had a P4C discussion and categorised objects from the universe.

Nativity

Following on from the letter sent out to you this week, with the government guidelines changing in light of the new Omicron variant, we have been reconsidering our Christmas plans and think it is in the best interest of everyone that we record the nativity and put it on Google Classroom for you all to enjoy from the comfort of your homes. We will be doing the same with the Carol concert. We want everyone to be able to enjoy their Christmas and are really keen to limit the possible transmission of all illness so close to the Christmas holidays. We know that recording this means that we will not be performing live. BUT it does mean that many more can watch it as we would have been forced to limit the number of people watching to one adult per family. The children are really excited that the nativity can still go ahead as planned and they will amaze you with their acting and singing talents. There won't be a dry eye in your house.

Subject Ambassadors

Subject Ambassadors will work closely with the subject leads to monitor the subject, gather pupil voice, run competitions, add ideas to planning and generally give their perspective as to what it feels like to be a learner at Churchside.

All children were given the opportunity to apply for an Ambassador role. These applications were reviewed by the teachers last night and the subject leads selected their Ambassadors for this academic year.

Subject: Art

Subject Lead: Mrs Chisman

Subject Ambassadors: Eliza, Ruby, Alice & Tamzin

Subject: Science

Subject Lead: Mrs Godbold

Subject Ambassadors: Billy, Ruby, Tommy M & Clara

Subject: Music

Subject Lead: Mrs Skilton

Subject Ambassadors: Ellie

Subject: R.E

Subject Lead: Mrs Wyatt

Subject Ambassadors: Daisy G

Subject: D.T

Subject Lead: Mrs Keeler

Subject Ambassadors: Hattie & Poppy

Subject: P4C

Subject Lead: Miss Stanley

Subject Ambassadors: Daisy D, Phoebe & Emilia

Subject: English

Subject Lead: Miss Stanley

Subject Ambassadors: Daisy D, Phoebe, Emilia, Lucy & Lilia

Subject: MFL

Subject Lead: Mrs Buckley

Subject Ambassadors: Priyah & William S

Subject: Maths

Subject Lead: Miss Brown

Subject Ambassadors: Charlie

Subject: Computing

Subject Lead: Mr Keeble

Subject Ambassadors: William PB, Adam & Neidas

Subject: History

Subject Lead: Ms Beaumont

Subject Ambassador: Daisy G

Subject: P.E

Subject Lead: Miss Brown

Subject Ambassador: Betsy

Congratulations to all our new Ambassadors!

The Friends of Gooderstone C of E Primary Academy Bring in a Hamper Item

We would be so grateful for your help with the Christmas Fair and hampers which we would like to make up.. if children would like to bring in an item next Friday that would be very much appreciated.. Thank you for your continued support!

Owls – Snacky bits i.e. Biscuits/Crisps or Sweets

Skylarks – Pamper Item i.e. Bubble bath/Bath Bombs/Deodorant

Kestrels – Bottle i.e. Alcohol/Fizzy Juice

Clothes Donations

We have realised that we have a shortage of spare clothes for the older children. If you have any old school uniform for children aged 7-11, we would be really grateful to receive these as a donation. Thank you for your support with this.

CURRENTLY READING

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

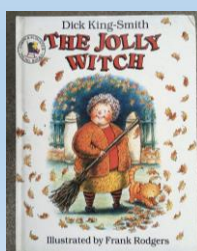
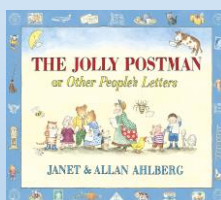
Kestrels: Cosmic

Class Reader:

Owls: The Jolly Witch

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.

Friday 10th December: - 'Save the Children' Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 15th 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!*

Let every light shine