



Gooderstone Gazette

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

Worship Theme:

Communication

Do you have to speak the same language to communicate?

Weekly Attendance Award:

Kestrels 100%

Star of the week:

Owls – Tommy, for a great attitude to learning this week.

Skylarks – Eliza for always showing respect.

Kestrels – Connor for being an excellent role model to Owls in P.E. this week.

Wow of the week:

Owls – Florence for her outstanding writing and vocabulary in Science.

Skylarks – Tommy for fantastic knowledge of plants and good scientific questioning.

Kestrels – Jack for excellent work in Maths this week, you have grown in confidence!

Our learning – Where can we go?

Owls and Goslings: This week we have been learning about plants, how they grow and what they need to grow. We cut up plants then put them back together and labelled the different parts. Goslings put seeds in soil and will watch them grow over time. We also learned about time and how a clock works.

Skylarks: This week we have also been learning about plants and compared a living and dead plant to see the differences between them. Year 2 sorted different objects into living, not living now and have never lived and Year 3 and 4 created branching databases for different types of plants that we found in our school grounds.

Kestrels: We have been learning about Space this week and have created projects about the movement of the Earth and moon. We also looked at the Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama who is 93 and creates colourful artwork including polka dots, although she calls them 'infinity nets'. In P.E. we coached Owls in throwing, catching and batting.

Cake Raffle

This beautiful cake was kindly baked by Mrs Groom! The winning ticket was a very happy Mrs Keeble - We raised a fantastic total of £43! The cake raffle will take place fortnightly- we still have lots of spaces available so please sign up at reception if you'd like to unleash your inner Mary Berry and bake a tasty treat. Thank you for your continued support!



We would like to invite the children to dress as number heroes for National Numeracy Day. This might be: T-shirts with numbers on, dressing as their favourite numbers, mathematicians, inventions, calculators, rulers, computers, shapes. However they choose to interpret it, we hope children will enjoy having fun with the theme. We also have lots of fun activities planned for the day and will share more information with you in the run up to the event.

National Numeracy Day is the UK's only day dedicated to everyday maths, organised by the charity

National Numeracy. It's a day that celebrates the importance of numbers for children and adults and inspires everyone to improve their numeracy in order to open up opportunities and brighter futures.

One of the best ways to support children to feel positive about numbers, is to feel confident yourself. National Numeracy has lots of free resources to help you support your children with numbers and to boost your numeracy too! Please visit www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/numeracyday to find out more.

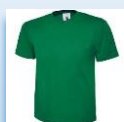


Have a child who struggles with Maths? Try this free app: Know Abacus

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Einstein



134 Points



Newton



130 Points



Curie



159 Points



*This week's winning house is.....Curie with 159 points.
Well done Curie, you have earned yourselves a non-school uniform day on Tuesday!*



After School (3.15-4.15)

Monday – Gardening Club (Yr2-Yr6)

~~Tuesday – Netball, Mrs Keeble (Yr3-Yr6) FULL~~

Thursday – Taekwondo, Mr Foulter (Recep-Yr6)

Lunch Time

Wednesday – Jigsaw Puzzle, Mrs Skilton (Everyone)

Thursday – Singing, Mrs Chisman (Everyone)

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO NETBALL CLUB TUESDAY 3RD MAY

Due to staff preparation and commitment, once children are signed up, it is important that they attend every week. However, if your child is unable to attend please ring the school office to let us know. Copies of chosen clubs are sent home. Summer Clubs will run until the end of term.

(Clubs will run until – Thurs 21st July)

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 Puffin book of Fantastic First Poems

Skylarks: Tales of Wisdom and Wonder

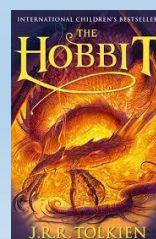
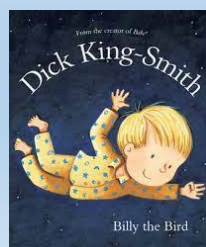
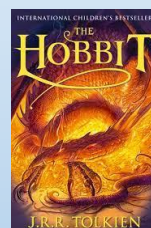
Kestrels: The Hobbit

Class Reader:

Owls: Billy The Bird

Skylarks: The Iron Man

Kestrels: The Hobbit



Diary Dates

Sharing Assembly: Every Friday morning at 9.15am, the classes and parents will get together to share the children's learning and celebrate the stars and wows of the week.

Monday 2nd May:- Bank Holiday – School Closed

Tuesday 3rd May:- Curie House – Non School Uniform Day

Wednesday 4th May:- Kestrels - Non School Uniform Day - For collecting the most kindness counters.

Friday 6th May:- Cake Raffle.

Tuesday 10th May:- Owls Gathering 9-10am

Wednesday 11th – Friday 13th May:- Year 3-4 Kingswood Residential.

Wednesday 18th May:- Numeracy Day (Children can wear numbers-themed non uniform)

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th May:- Year 6 Lakeside Residential.

28th May – 5th June:- Half Term – Children back to School Monday 6th June

11th – 22nd July:- Transition (All pupils to move into their new classes)

Friday 22nd July:- Last Day of Term – Children back to school Tuesday 6th September

*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