



# 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?*

## ***Our learning – Where can we go?***

**Owls and Goslings:** This week, we have enjoyed exploring, printing with a variety of materials and looking at the artwork by Carmen Gracia. This week in maths, we have moved on from time to multiplication and are focusing on counting in 2's, 5's and 10's in a variety of ways.

**Skylarks:** This week we have mapped out London landmarks using grid referencing and found out how much of London was destroyed in the Great Fire. We found out that Samuel Pepys buried his posh cheese in the ground to keep it safe from the flames! Some of the children have already brought in fantastic Tudor house homework projects – we look forward to seeing the rest.

**Kestrels:** In Kestrels this week we have looked at coordinates as well as translating, rotating and reflecting shapes. We also have started to look at the British Empire and whether it was good or not. The year 5s have also started their projects about Britain and have chosen to look at prehistoric Britain, the Stuarts and British Artists.

## ***Cake Raffle***

These beautiful cupcakes were kindly baked by Mrs Haslam! The winning ticket was a very happy Mrs Delve - We raised a fantastic total of £28.30! 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!



## House Points

### **Einstein**



**37 Points**

### **Newton**



**52 Points**

### **Curie**



**64 Points**



*This week's winning house is.....Curie with 64 points.  
Well done Curie!*

As we continue the countdown to national numeracy day. Here are a few more ideas for you to help develop and support your child's number skills.

**Spatial Awareness:** Did you know that improving children's spatial awareness has been found to improve their Maths skills too? Try playing lego, building things, jigsaw puzzles, ball games, target games (throwing something into a hoop or aiming at a target), tangrams.

**I Minute Maths** We have previously shared with you this app which provides bite-size 1 minute practice of key Maths skills for EYFS and Key Stage 1. It has now been expanded with a new section that includes Multiplication & Division skills. This might also be helpful for any older children who lack confidence in Maths. If you haven't downloaded it for your children yet, get it now:

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/1-minute-maths#download>

*Please also don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher if you are concerned about their Maths. There are lots of fun and easy ways you can develop number confidence that they will be happy to share with you.*



## 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)

*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 21<sup>st</sup> July)**



**JUNE 6TH 2022**  
14:00 onwards  
Gooderstone Church of England Primary Academy

**PLATINUM JUBILEE**

**SPONSORED COLOUR RUN**

**THE FRIENDS OF GOODERSTONE**  
REGISTERED CHARITY: 1046059

**THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022**

**RUNNER SPONSORSHIP TARGET: £10**  
**SPECTATOR ADMISSION: Free**

In celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the children will be running laps of the school field through plumes of colour powder in an attempt to run as many miles as they can – will they reach Sandringham or even Buckingham Palace?

# 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.

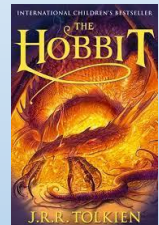
## Current Books:

### Power or Reading books

**Owls:** The Puffin book of Fantastic First Poems

**Skylarks:** The Green Ship

**Kestrels:** The Hobbit

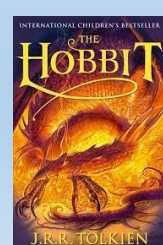
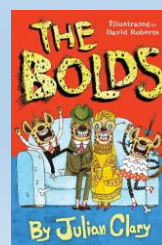


### Class Reader:

**Owls:** Billy The Bird

**Skylarks:** The Bolds

**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.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May:-** Kestrels - Non School Uniform Day - For collecting the most kindness counters.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May:-** Owls Gathering 9-10am

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May:-** Year 3-4 Kingswood Residential.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May:-** Numeracy Day (Children can wear numbers-themed non uniform)

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May:-** Cake Raffle.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May:-** Year 6 Lakeside Residential.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May:-** Cake Raffle.

**28<sup>th</sup> May – 5<sup>th</sup> June:-** Half Term – Children back to School Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June:-** Sponsored Colour Run.

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June:-** Sports Day.

**11<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> July:-** Transition (All pupils to move into their new classes)

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July:-** Last Day of Term – Children back to school Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 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