# Gooderstone Gazette

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

#### Worship Theme:

**Impact** 

### Weekly Attendance Award:

Owls 92.91% Star of the week:

**Owls** – Ivy for being extra polite and helpful.

**Skylarks** – George for settling in well and having a positive attitude to all learning.

**Kestrels** – Alice for being kind and thoughtful.

## Wow of the week:

Owls – Luna for amazing focus in learning this week. Skylarks – Ruby for excellent thinking and reasoning in her P4C homework. Kestrels – Daisy G for a well-written descriptive paragraph to convince people to visit Camp Green Lake.

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

We have really got off to a flying start with our learning in Gooderstone this week and would love to share what we have been learning about with you!

**Owls:** We are very proud of Reception and Nursery who have settled in to school amazingly well. We have been enjoying lots of outdoor muddy moments, working on capital letters and adjectives.

**Skylarks:** We have been starting to research information for a fact file about the rainforest. In English, we found a mysterious backpack belonging to a fairy tale character and made predictions about who it could belong to.

**Kestrels:** In Kestrels we have been looking at the History of navigation and have considered how ancient civilizations did this using the stars. In Science, we looked at the constellations and considered which stars made up the different constellations. We also created some fantastic magical plants to enter a competition to win a class trip to Harry Potter World!

#### **Times Table Rockstars**



Was your child playing TT Rockstars over the Summer holidays?

If so, firstly, a massive well done and thank you. This will help make sure they keep the vital quick recall skills we work on at school over the long summer break.

Secondly, we've had a notification that some of you are using an out-of-date version.

If you think this could be the case, there is an easy fix:

- Using a laptop: visit play.ttrockstars.com/reset to load the latest version.
  - Using the app: Update this from your app store.

Finally, if you're not using TT Rockstars (or Numbots for the younger children), then get your child's login from their class teacher and get going. Just a few minutes a day can boost their learning in school.

#### **Art Gallery**

We are hoping to set up an art gallery in the corridor near the Hall. If you have any spare frames in which we could display some of the children's wonderful art we would be very grateful!

#### What are we Reading?

Reading 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 of Reading books** 

**Owls:** Billy's Bucket

**Skylarks:** The Frog Prince Continued

Kestrels: Holes

Class Reader: Owls: Rabbit & Bear

**Skylarks:** The Iron man (Year 2)

Star fell: Willow Moss and the Lost Day (Year 3/4)

**Kestrels:** The Adventures of Odysseus













#### Condolences for the Queen

If you wish to write some condolences for the Queen, there is a book in St. Georges Church.



Tuesdays- Swimming lessons for Skylarks and some Year 5s.

Tuesday 27th September- Kestrels Gathering

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October- Skylarks trip to Gressenhall.

Date TBC- Harvest festival.

24th -28th October- Half term

Date TBC- Christmas production.

16<sup>th</sup> December- Break up for Christmas Holidays.

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!