

Gooderstone Gazette



Stars & Wows of the week

COLLECTIVE
WORSHIP THEME:

CHANGES

OWLS

Star of the Week is, Bobby for showing kindness and respect to his friends and adults in the school.

Wow of the week is, Joey for superb, independent maths.

SKYLARKS

Star of the Week is, Eliza for always making everyone feel welcome in class.

Wow of the week is, Kieran for putting a lot of work into his presentation and spellings.

KESTRELS

Star of the Week is, Betsy for showing kindness to the younger children.

Wow of the week is, Noah for his excellent percentages in maths.

TEAM POINTS

1st - Einstein 87

It's a tie in 2nd!

Curie & Newton

72 points

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

OWLS!

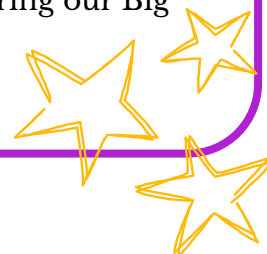
This week in Owls & Goslings, in DT we made Fire-Engines (in connection the the Great Fire of London), using junk modelling and wooden clogs, even using saws to help get the right measurements! We talked, drew and identified what fire engines need to put a fire out, turn their alarm on and how they put out fires!

SKYLARKS!

This week in Skylarks, we have been learning about Fashion! Fashion throughout history & different countries. We researched a variety of fashions and discussed why hotter or colder countries would need specific items of clothing. We enjoyed looking at dresses and fashion from the 1960's, their vibrant colours and patterns. We drew a timeline of clothes from Caveman to Now, including our favourite items we wear today.

KESTRELS!

This week in Kestrels, we learnt about how the length of daylight changes in different seasons and why this occurs. We also enjoyed writing fantastic stories during our Big Write, using a wide range of vocabulary with descriptive paragraphs.



Polite Reminders

MORNING ARRIVAL

Please can we politely remind all parents that the school gates will be open from 8.40am until 8.55am. We expect children to be in their classrooms for 8.50am. The school gates will be closed from 8.55am, if your child is late and requires access, please tell them to press the buzzer and they will be marked as Late.

SWIMMING

If your child has not completed 25 metres of swimming, it is part of the curriculum for them to attend swimming. Please can we remind parents to send their child/ren who are swimming, with their kit including, swimming hat, towel etc. Swimming is every Tuesday and will continue to run until its final day 28th March 2023.

APPOINTMENTS / ALTERNATIVE PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS

Please can Parents ensure that if their child/ren has an appointment and needs to leave school early, they are to notify the class teacher or office via phone or email - as soon as possible.

This would also be applicable for alternative pick up arrangements, please notify the class teacher or office via phone or email if your child/ren is leaving the school with a different person/ route than usual.

Upcoming Events

12th January: CANCELLED Y6 & Reception - National Child Measurement Programme + Hearing Check for Reception.

19th January: CANCELLED Taekwondo

27th January: Skylarks Gathering - 2.30pm

3rd February: Kestrels Gathering - 2.30pm

9th February: Skylarks Showcase - 9am

13th February: Half Term

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.

Notes

Music Lessons

There are music lessons available with Mrs Whistler. For further information please contact the office for a music lessons letter.

Y6 & Reception - National Child Measurement Programme + Hearing Check for Reception.

Unfortunately for the second time this has been cancelled by CAMBRIDGESHIRE COMMUNITY SERVICES NHS TRUST due to staff illness. They have advised they will notify us of a new date and once we know, we will contact all parents via email. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Skylarks- Trainee Teacher

As some of you may have noticed, we have a trainee teacher with Skylarks - Miss Cain. She will be with Gooderstone until the Easter Break. We are sure you will all provide her with a warm welcome.

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 to encourage the children to love books and to broaden their reading horizon. We want every child to be a confident reader with a passion for books. Alongside our Power of Reading books, we also have a class reader which is a shared class book which is read to the children every day.

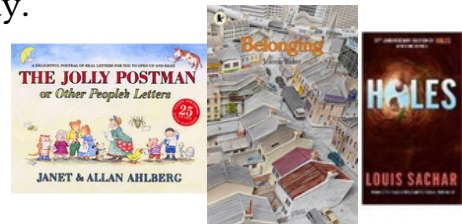
Current books:

Power of Reading:

Owls: The Jolly Postman

Skylarks: Belonging

Kestrels: Holes



Class Reader:

Owls: Rabbit & Bear

Skylarks: Once Upon a Street - Norfolk Stories for Children

Kestrels: Alex Neptune- Dragon Thief



Let Every Light Shine