

Gooderstone Gazette



Stars & Wows of the Week!

COLLECTIVE
WORSHIP THEME:

CHANGES

TEAM POINTS

1st - Einstein 126
2nd - Newton 119
3rd - Curie 109

OWLS

Star of the Week is Rosie, for being positive & kind.

Wow of the week is Eva, for super ideas about a problem and solution linked to the Umbrella.

SKYLARKS

Star of the Week is George, for always showing the school values.

Wow of the week is Matthew, for great experimenting in art.

KESTRELS

Star of the Week is Oliver for settling in so well.

Wow of the Week is Alice for a fantastic balanced argument about King Henry VIII.

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

OWLS!

This week in Owls & Goslings, we have started a new story called The Umbrella. We have found out that this is no ordinary Umbrella and has magical powers. In REW the children have learnt about two different creation stories and thought a lot about what they believe.

SKYLARKS!

This week in Skylarks, we have made some music in our music and computing lessons, focusing on changing the pitch, volume and adding instruments. We also used computing skills in DT to research wind turbines and had a lovely outdoor P4C session where we considered whether it would be in chaos if no one was in charge!

KESTRELS!

This week in Kestrels, we completed an escape room about Tudors. We had to use our Tudor knowledge and research skills to solve a variety of puzzles in order to escape! We also had our SAW day where we investigated light sources and created some incredible poems and artwork based on natural light sources such as the Northern Lights, lightning and stars.

Our School Champions!

Daisy - at Gooderstone and Janice - Secretary for Mundford were both nominated for Schools Champion! They attended the Bishops Lunch were both presented with their well deserved certificates.

Daisy has said "Everyone was so nice and welcoming there, the gardens were full of flowers that made the day even more brighter, thanks to the glorious sunshine! Getting my certificate was very nerve-wracking but I am very thankful that I was nominated and awarded it. I am very thank full and overall it was an incredible day that I will never forget!"



Meet our Governors!

Mrs Kate Faro-wood

Trust appointed Governor



Hello, my name is Kate Faro Wood and I've been a member of the local governing body since April 2021.

As a life-long teacher and former head of girls' boarding in the UK, the last few years of my career were spent overseas, working in British schools in Pakistan, China and Azerbaijan.

Within the local governing board, my current responsibilities are monitoring EAL, PE, Primary Sports and PE Premium, SEND and LAC. These roles mean that I meet the children and staff, which I thoroughly enjoy. In addition, I volunteer at Gooderstone with the Skylarks, assisting the class and listening to individual readers.

On the occasions that I have been out of the school on excursions, the children have been a pleasure to be with and genuinely reflect the ethos of respect, kindness and honesty.

Having moved to Norfolk in 2016, my hobbies include golf, quilting and flying.



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Summer Fair + Colour Run!



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Summer Fair on Friday 14th July!

We have lots of exciting things planned but need your help!

We are planning a Sweet Tombola for the children (and grown ups!) so would be hugely grateful for your donations to support this. **Please could all donations be individually wrapped for safety be brought to the school office before Friday 7th July.**

We will be offering drinks and cakes for sale and would love you all to get involved by donating a cake for us to sell. All cakes & cupcakes will help us raise funds for the school.

If you'd like to bake something for us, please add your name and chosen bake to the list with Mrs O'Rourke in the school office.

Colour Run!

The Friends are currently busy organising the amazing Colour Run, to take place at **2pm on Friday 14th July.**

Children have been sent home with their consent letter & sponsorship form.

Please return the consent form by Friday 23rd June.

Please return the sponsorship form with any monies by Monday 17th July.

If you have any queries regarding volunteering, joining, taking part or general - please speak with Mrs O'Rourke in the office or email/ facebook!

Email! - friends.of.gooderstone@gmail.com

Facebook!: [The Friends of Gooderstone Primary School | Facebook](#)

Tuck Shop- Fridays!

Kestrels have been putting on a tuck shop for the school to raise monies for their outdoor area that they want to develop.

The tuck shop includes, toast, hand baked flapjacks, fruit &...more fruit! If your child would like something from the Tuck shop, please send them in with some pennies - items are under £1!

SENCo Information & Support

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If you have any concerns about your child and would like to talk to Mrs Tinkley, please do not hesitate to contact her on katie.tinkley@mundford.dneat.org or telephone the school.

Weekly Focus: Self Care

Help Your Child with Reading

Reread

Reread your child's favourite stories as many times as your child wants to hear them. Choose books and authors that your child enjoys.



Look

Look at the pictures and talk about them. For example, 'Can you find a bird or a cat?', 'What else can you see?', 'What are the children playing? Have you played that before?'



Story Sacks

A story sack is a great way to get your child talking about a story. They are bags that contain the story itself, alongside a variety of items linked to the story. It could be the story CD, a related non-fiction book, puppets, models or objects that are in the story and a related activity.

Talk

To help your child develop their vocabulary, talk to your child as much as possible about what you are doing. Ask them about their day. What have they been doing? What was their favourite thing? What games did you play today?

Visit

Visit the local library together. It is fun choosing new books to read. Keep an eye out for special story events at the library or local bookshops that you can join in with.



Sit

Sit close together and get comfy! You could encourage your child to hold the book themselves and turn the pages. Use funny voices, puppets or props to bring the story alive.

Storytelling Tin

Make a storytelling tin. Collect together a group of objects with a story theme. Open the tin and explore the objects inside. Your child can choose a character, talk about where the story will be and think about what might happen. Have fun making up a story with the objects from the tin.



Encourage

Encourage family and friends to share books with your child. The more your child sees you and others reading, the more they will want to read too.



Ask Questions

Ask questions when you are reading together, such as 'What can you see on this page?', 'How do you think the characters feel?' and 'What is the story about?'



Woodland Wildlings

On Monday afternoons, Owls will pop on their wellies and head down to the forest area. These will be short, focussed sessions of approximately 30-60 minutes during which the children will be able to explore and play.

Kit List for Monday Afternoons:

- Wellies / Walking Boots
- Long Sleeve Top / Trousers
- Waterproof Coat & Trousers
- Sunhat & Sun Cream

Please remember to label all clothing.

Volunteers- if you are interested in coming along to support Woodland Wildlings sessions then please us know!



Midday Supervisor Assistants



We are looking for 2 MSAs to take over from our current staff!

We would love to hear from anyone who would like to join our team and spend lunch with our wonderful children.

If you are interested in the role please contact the school office.

Polite Reminders

Sunny for Sun Cream & Hats!

It has been sunny enough for sun cream here at Gooderstone! Please make sure your child/ren apply sun cream before attending school on a sunny day & please send them in with a sun cream they can apply themselves. For the younger children, there are roll on sun creams, sprays etc.

Please also provide a hat /cap that your child/ren can wear on sunnier days to protect themselves.

Uniform - We remind all parents & children, that correct school uniform is to be worn at all times.

Please can you ensure that your child comes to school in full school / PE uniform. They should be in grey trousers, skirts or pinafore. Leggings and branded polo shirts are not permitted. Children need to wear a navy jumper or cardigan, other coloured or branded jumpers and cardigans are also not permitted.

Our uniform can be found on our website :

<http://www.churchsidefederation.norfolk.sch.uk/gooderstone/our-school/school-uniform/>

Leaving School Premises

We politely ask all parents to continue to walk their children round to the entrance each morning and collect them at home time.

The children have been reminded about walking and remaining with their parent / guardian when entering and exiting the school.

Grass

The grass outside the school gates is property of Norfolk County Council, they have been notified of its length, however we think it may be part of 'No Mow May', to encourage bees & insects. If you would like to speak to someone about it, please contact Norfolk County Council directly.

Upcoming Events

30th June: Whole School Hunstanton / Sea Life Centre Trip!

3rd July: Yr6 Norwich Cathedral Trip

5th July 9am: Yr6 Leavers Assembly @ St Georges Church

***Change of Date & Time* - Skylarks Gathering**

6th July @ 9am: Skylarks Gathering

7th July 1.30pm: Sports Day!

14th July 2pm: Colour Run!

14th July 2pm- 4.30pm: Friends of Gooderstone Summer Fair

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.

Skylarks Gathering

Mrs Buckley sends her sincere apologies for the changes, this has now arranged for the **Skylarks Gathering to now be Thursday 6th July @9am.**

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.

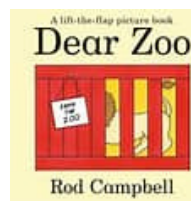
Current books:

Power of Reading:

Owls: Dear Zoo

Skylarks: Beowulf

Kestrels: Goodnight Mr Tom

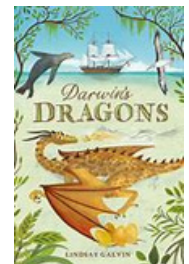


Class Reader:

Owls: Dave the Pigeon

Skylarks: Kid Normal

Kestrels: Darwin's Dragons



Let Every Light Shine