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This week in Owls & Goslings, we enjoyed exploring in the woods and swinging in our new hammock. We shared stories that we love and did little activities linked to them. We read Super Worm then went exploring for worms. We made playdough worms and tried to make the longest and the shortest. We read Sharing a Shell then compared and sorted a range of shells and made our own hermit crabs. Finally, we read The Flying Doctor, made castles and then explored mermaid tails.

SKYLARKS!

This week in Skylarks, we explored our new book Here We Are! We have discussed and agreed class rules as we all begin to settle in to our new class structure. We made get to know me flowers and have played lots of team bullring games such as crossing the shark infested river!

Kestrels!

This week in Kestrels, we have been settling in to our new routines in Kestrels and I am really impressed with how well the new children have done this week. We explored Roman Numerals in Maths and we wrote explanatory texts about how to look after the human body in English.







FRIENDS

We would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who joined us for our Summer Fair! We had a last minute change due to the weather, but it was still thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Colour Run will look to be rescheduled as soon as possible and parents / carers will be notified. Thank you to all parents who volunteered and contributed, this is greatly appreciated and we look forward to next year's summer fair with vou all! If you would like to get involved with the friends, please call the office & speak with Mrs O'Rourke, you can email or facebook and Mrs Haslam can provide further info - we would love to welcome new friends and new ideas for the Friends of Gooderstone! Email! - friends.of.gooderstone@gmail.com Facebook!: The Friends of Gooderstone Primary School | Facebook **Music Lessons!**

Mrs Whistler teaches a variety of musical instruments. If you would like your child(s) to attend Music lessons, kindly provided by Mrs Whistler-please speak with the office for a letter or Mrs Whistler directly for further information.

Parents Exercise Classes @ Mundford

Gary-Brotherood Health & Fitness

Totally Shredded & Kettlebells!

Its time for the parents to have time for themselves ! Come and join me for Totally Shredded and Kettlebells at Mundford School Hall. This exercise class will focus on cardio, combat, and strength to meet all your needs whilst listening to top tunes.

When? Mondays at 4.30. p.m. Cost £5. Starting: Monday September 18th 2023 Facebook: Brotherhood Health and Fitness



SENCo Information & Support

SENCo Information and Support 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: Transition to a new class

Transition to a new class can make children feel excited, anxious, scared, overwhelmed and very tired at this time of year. Our teachers have suggested some things for you to consider to, help your child have a happy transition in to their new class.

- Make sure everything is named and labelled, especially jumpers
- Give your child time to talk about their new class when they are ready, not too many questions all at once
- Look on the website for any information on the new class and see what sort of things have been going on
- Have a snack ready at the end of the day
- Email the new class teacher if you have any questions
- Reassure and talk to your child that other children will be feeling the same. Encourage them to talk to their friends too

Meet our Governors! Mr Paul Blakeway-Long

My name is Paul Blakeway-Long and I am Heath and Safety and Pupil Premium Governor for the Churchside Federation.

I spent 20 years in the Royal Navy as a Senior Non-Commissioned Officer.

This gave me a deep understanding of security and risk management.

I left the Royal Navy in 2018, when I started to work in the Civil Service as a Senior

Operations Manager, overseeing the operations and contracts of Governments sites and properties.

I am a confirmed member of the Church of England and have regularly attended services in the local area.

As such, I joined the Churchside Federation in order to ensure that the schools health and safety meets requirements and to support the Federation's vision and ethos.



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

Midday Supervisor Assistants!

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.

Please do not park on driveways or the gravel area opposite the church, these are private residential and pub property /spaces.

Play Equipment

Please can we remind parents / carers that the play equipment is not to be used by any children, outside school hours.

Family Action

https://www.family-action.org.uk/get-involved/make-happy-memories/

For many of the parents and carers at your school, this summer will be more difficult than ever. From juggling childcare to coping with the cost-of-living crisis and searching for affordable ways to have fun, the pressures can really build up.

Family Action are here to support families through the summer and all year long. Please share details of our <u>FamilyLine</u>, a free helpline that offers emotional support and practical guidance via telephone, text, email and live chat for all family members over the age of 18.

Upcoming Events

17th July 9am: Mrs Rudd First Aid with Yr6!
17th July: No Afterschool Clubs
21st July: Final Day of School Year 2022/2023

*There are no clubs / after school clubs week commencing 17th July

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.

We are still welcoming donations of items such as planks, mud kitchen items, tyres, cable reels, wool, ropes and of course, marshmallows

themselves! The children in Owls have been enjoying our woodland sessions this term and Mrs Cross is excited to be running sessions with with wider school in the very near future! Watch this space...

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: Malamander

Class Reader:

Owls: Dave the Pigeon **Skylarks:** Kid Normal **Kestrels:** Darwin's Dragons



Let Every Light Shine

Dear Zoo

Rod Campbell



