

# Gooderstone Gazette

Collective Worship Theme:

Creation



## Stars & Wows

### Owls

Star of the Week is **Tilly** for always showing the school values.  
Wow of the Week is **Imogen C** for making a fabulous leaflet about Kenya and using her phonics.

### Skylarks

Star of the Week is **Evie** for always being kind.  
Wow of the Week is **Lucas** for fantastic knowledge of light and using amazing vocabulary.

### Kestrels

Star of the Week is **Eliza** for a fantastic attitude towards her work.  
Wow of the Week is **Livvy** for a beautiful piece of art work this week.

## Team Points

1. Newton 90
2. Einstein 88
3. Curie 86

What have we  
been up to?

### Owls & Goslings

This week, we were excited to invite parents and grandparents into class for our Gathering. We wowed them with our fabulous phonics knowledge and enjoyed lots of different phonics activities, including finding sounds inside a pumpkin filled with shaving foam! The children have also enjoyed finishing the story of Bringing the rain to Kapiti plain and have created a leaflet all about Kenya.

### Skylarks

This week, we had our SAW day where we explored rainbows and light. We found out how rainbows are made, made mirror boxes and used sun paper to create leaf and feather prints. In our poetry session we wrote lovely kennings and for our art we looked at a Dutch artist who turns shadows into art. We used this as inspiration for our own fabulous shadow art, turning pine cone shadows into hedgehogs and scissors into cowboys!

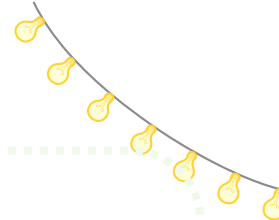
### Kestrels

This week, in Kestrels we had our SAW day where we explored the brain! We completed an experiment where we tricked our brain by trying out icing where the colour did not match the flavour. We then went around the other classes and did a memory experiment to find out if age affects memory. Next we wrote some poems about the brain and then we created some neurographic artwork while listening to some happy and sad music. We had a great day!





# Information



## School Council Children in Need Appeal

Children in Need is on Friday 17th November this year.

School council have come up with some fundraising ideas that we would love you to take part in!

**Joe Wicks 'Bearpees Challenge'** – This will last the week from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November.

Each class will try to do as many bearpees as possible aiming to reach 1000 as a school! On Friday 17th we will join a livestream with Joe Wicks to celebrate the challenge. Children will have sponsorship forms to collect some pounds or pennies for their hard work.

**Bake Sale!** – On Friday 17th November we will hold up a bake sale at break time.

Any bake or cake donations would be much appreciated.

**Wear spots or yellow for Pudsey!** – On Friday 17th November children are welcome to wear yellow or spots and bring in a teddy if they wish to.

## Mr Moore

Mr Moore, our Federation Caretaker, had his last day with us today. We want to thank him for all his work helping to improve our school grounds and buildings and wish him all the best in his future endeavours. We are looking for a new caretaker to help us make our buildings and grounds the best they can be. We will be putting an advert out shortly but if this is something you would be interested in then please contact the school office for an informal chat.

## Something Fun

Half term is here and many of you will be travelling to various places for holidays and family visits. To pass the time when the battery has run out on the various electronic devices, my (Mrs Godbold) family and I play the number plate game. You start from 1 and continue looking for the numbers in order (if you are on six and see an eight it doesn't count). Currently my family are looking for a 25, although Gracie at Mundford told me where one is, thanks Gracie. It is just a bit of fun to pass the time, if you choose to play it I would love to know what number you are on when you come back after the holidays.

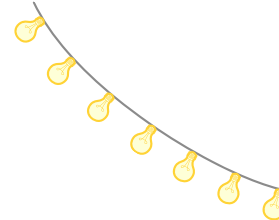
## Poppy Appeal

After half term we will be selling poppies and other items to support the annual British Legion poppy appeal. Children will need to bring the money into school with them and can then choose their items. Suggested donations are: Snap Bands £1.50, Silicon Wristbands £1.00, Zip Pulls and Reflectors 50p

Please note: while we do allow the wearing of poppies & wristbands in school at this time of year, if they become a distraction, children may have to leave them with their teacher and they will be returned at the end of the day. We would also encourage snap bands to be bought one per child, if there are some left on the last day then they could buy more if they wished.



# Polite Reminders



## **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 [whistlermusic@yahoo.com](mailto:whistlermusic@yahoo.com) directly for further information.

## **Class Email Addresses**

Parents & Carers can contact their child/rens teacher via the class email.

Owls & Goslings: [owls@gooderstone.dneat.org](mailto:owls@gooderstone.dneat.org)

Skylarks: [skylarks@gooderstone.dneat.org](mailto:skylarks@gooderstone.dneat.org)

Kestrels: [kestrels@gooderstone.dneat.org](mailto:kestrels@gooderstone.dneat.org)

## **Plant Request**

If you have any houseplants that you longer want or need we would be happy to rehome them in school! No plant is too big or too small, we will happily take them all. Many studies have shown that having greenery in inside spaces can have a calming effect and help to reduce stress and anxiety. As part of our ongoing 'Hygge Approach' we would like to make our school a greener place to be.

## **Trips!**

A number of letters regarding trips have been sent home / emailed to Parents & Carers regarding school trips, please make sure these are completed and returned to the class teacher if necessary.

## **Flu Vaccine / Immunisation - Reception to YR6**

An email has been sent to Parents & Carers regarding the electronic consent link & FAQ's for this years Flu Immunisation program. Please follow the link in the email & attachment. Any queries please contact the Vaccination Team directly.

# Upcoming Events

**23rd October:** Half Term

**1st November 9am:** Skylarks Gathering

**3rd November 9am:** October Celebration Assembly - Parents Welcome

**7th November 3pm:** Eco Council Meeting

**17th November:** Children in Need Spotacular!

**24th November:** Flu Vaccination / Immunisation Recep-YR6

**30th November:** Treasure Island! Whole School Christmas Trip

**1st December 9am:** November Celebration Assembly - Parents Welcome

**1st December:** Owls & Goslings Decorate the Church Tree with Reverend Lubbe

**15th December:** Christmas Dinner!

**18th December:** Friends of Gooderstone Christmas Disco

*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.*

## SENDCo Kenco

Family Voice UK Norfolk September 23023 Newsletter-  
please click the link to view!

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Get in touch and have a coffee and a chat if you have any concerns about your child at school

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## Reading



Reading is the key to unlocking all curriculum subjects for children. Not only do we plan our English curriculum around exciting and challenging books, we also link other areas of the curriculum to any stories or non-fiction texts which are relevant. At Gooderstone we share a love of books with the children and actively encourage the children to share their favourite stories, comics, non-fiction texts and poems with us and with their peers.

Any support from home with this would be fantastic. Reading with your child as much as possible will help to build their vocabulary, knowledge of the world and maybe, unlock new interests for them. It helps with all areas of the English curriculum and will increase their confidence in choosing books and trying out new genres. If you need any support with choosing some good books for your child, ask the class teacher.

If you would like to volunteer to read with the children at school, please contact the school office or speak to your child's teacher.

Let Every Light Shine

