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Gooderstone Gazette

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YOUR SCHOOL,
YOUR NEWS

Collective Worship Story:

Jacob and Esau

Please accept the present that was brought to you, for God has been gracious to me and I have all I need. Genesis 33:11

Stars & Wows

Owls & Goslings

1. Star of the Week is **Eva**, for being polite and trying her best.
 2. Star of the Week is **Teddy**, for settling in amazingly to Goslings.
- Wow of the Week is **Imogen W**, for being an enthusiastic learner.

Skylarks

Star of the Week is **Scarlett**, for settling in so well to her new class.
Wow of the Week is **Oisin**, for excellent pattern spotting in maths.

Kestrels

Star of the Week is **Amelia** for excellent effort with her work this week.
Wow of the Week is **Jack** for superb concentration in Music this week.



Team Points

1. Newton 67
2. Curie 41
3. Einstein 28

What have we been up to?

Owls & Goslings

This week, we have been working really hard on our big writes, designing and labelling our perfect tree house. We have also started our new topic of knowing yourself and learnt the names of body parts in PE & through singing.

Skylarks

This week, we have introduced our new book 'Grandad's Camper'. We explored a memory box finding items such as a postcard, sun cream, a scarf and marshmallows and thought about what these things might tell us about Grandad. We also did a science experiment investigating which thread would be strongest to make a jumper out of for Grandad. In Geography we learnt what physical and human features are and found some of them in Grandad's journey.

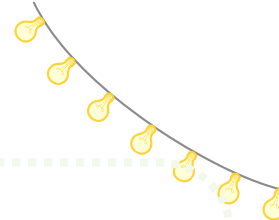
Kestrels

This week, we worked really hard on our Big Writes about a girl who turns into a doll. We also started learning about multiples and factors in Maths and began to use capos in Music to play some of our favourite songs.





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.

Federation Caretaker

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.

Poppy Appeal

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.

Each class will take turns in purchasing 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.

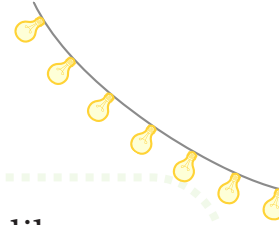
Gooderstone School Foodbank

Thank you very much for all your Harvest Festival donations. The ethos committee made up of school children have decided to turn some of it into a community foodbank!

Free for everyone in the community, please help yourself from the box outside the school gates, starting 13th November: Monday – Friday 08:40-16:00. If you have any further items you wish to donate to the community food bank, please bring them to the office.



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 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

Skylarks: skylarks@gooderstone.dneat.org

Kestrels: kestrels@gooderstone.dneat.org

Plant Request

If you have any houseplants that you no 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.

'Be a Chorister Day', Norwich Cathedral, Saturday 18 November 2023
10.30am – 4.00pm

Please find the attached flyer giving details of our forthcoming 'Be a Chorister Day' which is taking place on Saturday 18th November 2023.

There is no charge for the day, but it is essential to register in advance by visiting:

<https://www.norwich-school.org.uk/admissions/register-your-interest>

Archery!

Y3-Y6 will be taking part in an Archery afternoon on Tuesday 7th November. This will be an exciting afternoon, we would recommend the children wear long sleeve tops under their shirts, or extra layer hoodie / jumper on top. Please keep an eye on the weather and if necessary, please send them with coats and wellies.

Upcoming Events

7th November 3pm: Eco Council Meeting
10th November 11am: Memorial Service at the Church - All Welcome
13th November 9am: Kestrels Gathering
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
1st December 1.30pm: Kestrels Showcase
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.

Parent Volunteers-Swimming!

After Christmas we will be doing swimming lessons from January - July, for YRs 1,2,3,4, & YR5's who have not completed 25 metres. We welcome parent volunteers to assist the teachers with general support- if you would like to help please see the office.

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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 Challenge Yr2 - Yr6!

This week your child will have brought home a Reading Challenge sheet with a list of recommended books. These have a variety of age appropriate books for your child to read and include a variety of genres.

If your child completes the reading challenge (and this is shown in their Reading Record), they will receive a certificate and a prize for their efforts!

Please contact Miss Stanley if you are struggling to find any of the books on the list as we may well have them in school.



Let Every Light Shine

