

10th November
2023

Collective Worship Story:

Joseph

The Lord was with Joseph, and
he became a successful man
Genesis 39:2

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YOUR SCHOOL,
YOUR NEWS



Stars & Wows

Owls & Goslings

Star of the Week is **Hallie**, for writing her numerals 1 to 4 and working hard to write her name.

Wow of the Week is **Elsie**, for being a polite and kind friend.

Writer of the week is **Eva**, for trying hard to write her name.

Skylarks

Star of the Week is **Amelia**, for being a kind friend to everyone.

Wow of the Week is **Kieran**, for his excellent presentation in all of his books and taking pride in his work.

Writer of the week is **Rivers**, for working hard to improve his handwriting.

Kestrels

Star of the Week is **Ellie** for her excellent attitude towards work.

Wow of the Week is **Billy** for super work on multiples.

Writer of the week, **Max H**, for improvement in handwriting and using good vocabulary.

Team Points

1. Newton 83
2. Einstein 56
3. Curie 45

Congratulations
Newton! You have a
non-uniform day
**TUESDAY 14th
November!**

What have we been up to?

Owls & Goslings

This week, we were excited by the arrival of an invitation to the palace for Halibut Jackson and we enjoyed writing our own invitations on special writing paper. We also had our SAW day today and tested materials to find out which ones would be waterproof so we could make a new coat for Halibut Jackson.

Skylarks

This week, we have been writing questions in our writing routes for our English. We have made rhythm and beat music, by using our hands and in art we have looked at different clay tiles, using different techniques relating to our topic of urban and rural.

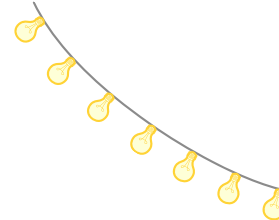
Kestrels

This week, Kestrels had to prove that it was Autumn by taking photos outside. They took photos of the leaves changing, the dark clouds in the sky and Miss Stanley in her coat and scarf. We then did some observational paintings and sketches of the leaves by colour matching with watercolours.





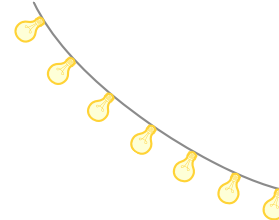
Archery!



Yr3 - Yr6 had a fantastic time with Grey Goose Archery on Tuesday afternoon. They all did fantastically with their archery skills and even got some bullseyes!



Information



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.

Anti- Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week 2023 is coordinated in England, Wales and Northern Ireland by the Anti-Bullying Alliance.

This year it has the theme ***Make A Noise About Bullying*** and will take place from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November

The week will be kicked off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13th November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All they have to do to take part is come to school in their uniform as normal but wear a pair of odd socks. Over the course of the week children will be looking at what bullying is and the impact it can have on the victims of bullying. This fits in very well with the work we have been doing on being

accountable for our behaviours.
<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>



Rudolph Run!

We are thrilled to announce that we have signed up to The Norfolk Hospice's Rudolph Run and your child is registered to take part.

We will be holding our **Rudolph Run on Tuesday 19th December at Gooderstone Primary Academy**. Attached to the newsletter is a sponsorship form and further information.

The Sleep Charity

We often hear from parents about sleep issues their children are suffering with. Problems with sleep has a huge impact on both home and school life so we wanted to support families by sharing information from The Sleep Charity.

Below is some information and we have attached some resources to the Newsletter email. This free resource can help parents and children to learn more about their sleep and develop better bedtime routines. Sleep is essential to brain function, by helping children to sleep better, we can help them to succeed in school.



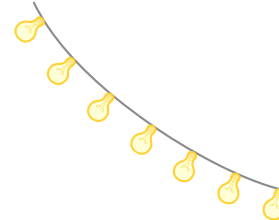
At any given time up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis) have difficulties with their sleep. Yet in a recent survey, almost 60% of adults felt there was a lack of support for sleep issues. Sleep problems can leave people feeling isolated and lonely. Our free helpline is run by trained sleep advisors, many of whom are specialists in working with SEND. We can talk to young people directly, or parents (we can also talk to adults, including older people, about their sleep issues).

The helpline is open 5 times a week, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings 7-9pm, and Monday, Wednesday mornings 9-11am. The number is 03303 530 541.

You can read more here: <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/>



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 reminder 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.

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 17 th 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.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Poppy Appeal & attended the Memorial Service on Friday.

It was a wonderful service and great to see everyone there.



Upcoming Events

13th November: Odd Sock Day for Anti Bullying Week.

13th November 9am: Kestrels Gathering

14th November: **NEWTON Non School Uniform**

17th November: Children in Need Spotacular!

24th November: Flu Vaccination / Immunisation Recep-YR6

29th November 2.30pm: Owls & Goslings Gathering

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

19th December: Rudolph Run for the Norfolk Hospice Tapping House

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!

Last 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

