

GOODERSTONE GAZETTE



WE 21ST NOVEMBER 2025

Team News

Curie
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Einstein
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Newton
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This weeks winners are **Einstein**
Three wins = House team non-uniform day!

Class News

Owls & Goslings

This week in Owls and Goslings we have enjoyed celebrating Elmers Birthday. We have been working on our number bonds to 4 using birthday candles and writing birthday cards using the word 'to'. In RE we have continued to explore the nativity story and discussing what we celebrate with our families.

Kestrels

In Kestrels this week, we have been writing friendship guides and letters to the character Fox to give him advice on how to be a good friend and how to make friends. We also looked at how animals are well-adapted for living in the Amazon Rainforest

Skylarks

This week we have made tiny homes for Pebble from our writing roots book Lubna and Pebble. We used our fine motor skills to make tiny pillows and duvets and described our homes to each other using adjectives and nouns. In history we have learnt about Christmas gifts that were sent to WWI soldiers from Princess Mary. We found out they were sent tobacco, a Christmas card and a photograph of the Princess. We also learnt that nurses were sent a packet of chocolate and a Christmas card which we agreed sounded like a good gift!



Star, Wow and Writer of the week

Owls

Star – Lincoln for settling into Goslings well.

Wow – Ophelia for a super collage of Elmer.

Writer – Lara for practising writing at home.

Skylarks

Star – Tilly for always showing our value of honesty.

Wow – Matilda for great, precise crafting skills when making her Pebble home.

Writer – Theo for accuracy in spelling in his history writing.

Kestrels

Star – Lucas for an excellent attitude to work.

Wow – Ivy for excellent English work

Writer – Scarlett for a fantastic letter about friendship to Fox.

Diary Dates

- **28th November** – Celebration Worship – 9am – Parents welcome to attend.
- **30th November** – Christmas Light Switch on in Swaffham – 10am–5pm.
- **5th December** – Pantomime
- **10th December** – Nativity in the church – 2:30pm. and 6pm.
- **11th December** – Christmas jumper day and Christmas Dinner.
- **17th December** – Carol concert in the church – 9am

Clubs

Monday

Handbell 3:15–4:15

Wednesday

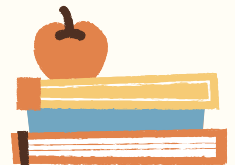
Boom whacker lunchtime

Taekwondo 3:15–4:15

Thursday

Choir lunchtime

Mr B Gym & Fitness 3:15–4:15



“Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Luke 6:31



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Operation Christmas Child Shoebox appeal


Today school council packed 5 shoeboxes to send overseas to less fortunate children as part of the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Appeal.

They had lots of fun selecting toys, stationary, toiletries and games that they thought the children would enjoy. We packed 5 boxes, for girls and boys aged 5–9 and 10–14. We would like to say a big thank you to all of you who kindly donated items towards this cause.

Thank you for helping us spread some Christmas cheer!



Cake Friday

 The next Cake Friday will be on **Friday 28th November**.
Tickets cost 20p each or £1 for a strip.

Can you help?

If you'd like to volunteer by baking or donating a treat for the raffle, there's a sign-up sheet in the school office. You can also speak to Mrs Copeland or Mrs Mason for more information.

Thank you for supporting this fun (and tasty!) school tradition! 🍰🌟

School Photos

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Wednesday 26th November 2025. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link that was emailed to you, or if you have received paper order forms visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

Nativity

The time has come where Nativity rehearsals are underway!

This year our Nativity, The Fleece Force, will be performed on **Wednesday 10th December** at 2:30p.m. and again at 6p.m.

Your child will have received a costume list for their chosen part. Should you have any questions regarding this, feel free to ask your child's class teacher.

This year, in a bid to be a bit more environmentally-friendly, we would like to run a costume swap. If you have a costume from previous years which no longer fits your child, please bring these in on Monday 24th November. If you bring a costume, you are welcome to come after school on the 24th and take a costume for this year's Nativity.

All costumes need to be in school by the 28th November ready for dress rehearsals.

Christmas Light Switch on in Swaffham



For further information email reception@swaffhamtowncouncil.gov.uk or call 01760 722922

On the **30th November**, from 10a.m. until 5p.m., we will have a stall at the Christmas Light Switch on in Swaffham. We will be selling decorations and stocking fillers made by the children. There will also be raffle tickets on sale for the raffle organised by the Friends of Gooderstone.

Miss Stanley will be manning the stall for the day but welcomes any volunteers to join her. If you and your child are interested in coming along to help even for half an hour, please let the school office know.

We are hoping to arrange a performance from the school choir and will send information out about this separately to relevant children.

The decorations we are making are going to be from natural and reused materials. If you would like to donate some materials to make the decorations, we would be very grateful. Materials needed include buttons and fabric.

Thank you for your support with this.

Christmas Colouring Competition

🎄 The Christmas Colouring Competition is Back! 🎅

We're delighted to announce that Abbie, our wonderful lunch server from Nourish, has once again organised the return of our much-loved Christmas Colouring Competition!

Every child will receive a festive colouring sheet to take home. Please ensure entries are returned to the school office by **Friday 5th December**.

On our Christmas Lunch Day on Thursday 11th December, Abbie will select the winners from each year group, with some lovely prizes that she has kindly provided herself.

Last year's competition was a great success, and we'd like to extend our thanks to Abbie for taking time out of her busy day to bring this festive activity back for the children.

We can't wait to see everyone's colourful and creative Christmas pictures this year!



Friends of Gooderstone School



🎨 The Friends of Gooderstone have teamed up with My Child's Art! 🎨

We're very excited to share that every child in the school has created their own special piece of artwork, which has been professionally scanned and uploaded to the My Child's Art website. This fantastic project lets you view your child's masterpiece online and, if you wish, order it printed onto a range of lovely items, from Christmas cards and mugs to tea towels and gifts.

Not only is this a wonderful way to celebrate our young artists, but every order also helps raise money for our school. It's a fun and meaningful way to create unique, personalised Christmas presents for family and friends!

Your children's mini-masterpieces are now online and ready to admire! To take a look, simply visit www.mychildsart.co.uk. A leaflet will be coming home soon with your login details (so keep an eye on those book bags!).

Get ready to smile... their artwork is absolutely fantastic! ✨🖌️✨

Our 10% early-bird discount code is GooderstoneX25. This expires at 11:59 PM on 27/11/2025

 Clothing

**15%
Off**

Everything!*
24-30 Nov

Use code

SAVE15
at checkout

*This offer excludes bundles, clearance items and leavers hoodies.

Valid 24-30.11.2025

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