

# GOODERSTONE GAZETTE



WE 4<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

## Team News

**Curie**  
93



**Einstein**  
62

**Newton**  
59

**This weeks winners are Einstein Curie**

Three wins = House team non-uniform day

## Class News

### Owls & Goslings

This week we have been very fortunate to visit the Watergardens as part of our SAW day. The children experienced bird watching and explored the gardens.

We have also had our no plan day and the children chose to learn about Music. They used percussion instruments and experimented with tempo and volume. They also used their DT skills to make their own shakers and we wrote an acrostic poem as a class.

### Skylarks

This week in Skylarks we have enjoyed practicing safari animal call and response rhymes in music, being elephants, hippos and lions. For Numbers day we did a philosophy session around the question 'would it be good or bad if there were no numbers?' The children came up with great responses including - 'we could stay up late because we wouldn't know the time!' 'We wouldn't know what age we were' and 'we would burn things because we wouldn't know how long to put the oven on for!'

### Kestrels

In Kestrels this week, we wrote postcards as a part of our enhanced provision. We chose from a range of beautiful landscapes and then imagined what it would be like to be in this place. We also enjoyed Number Day where we collected data about all of the children including favourite colours, favourite types of crisps and eye colours. We then typed these into Google Sheets and created graphs and charts of them.

## Star, Wow and Writer of the week

### Owls

Star – Ralph, for showing kindness and empathy to his friends

Wow – Aoibhin, for a superb recount of her visit to the Watergardens.

Writer – Aster, for expressing the emotion of the music through mark making.

### Skylarks

Star – Isabella, for always being a super role model in all our school values.

Wow – Eva, for greatly improving in reading confidence and fluency, moving up two reading levels.

Writer – Mila, for writing sentences independently.

### Kestrels

Star – Oliver for being very honest

Wow – Livvy for her reading test score

Writer – Kieran for his excellent postcard writing.

## Diary Dates

### 11<sup>th</sup> February

Kestrels Beach Trip

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Half Term

### 24<sup>th</sup> February

Class Photographs

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Chinese New Year Lunch Menu

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Church Easter Service and Egg Hunt

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Norfolk Cricket – PE kit please

## Clubs

### Wednesday

Boom whacker lunchtime

Taekwondo 3:15-4:15

Years 1 – 6

£2 per session

### Thursday

Mr B Gym & Fitness 3:15-4:15

Years 3 – 6

*Please book via Clubs in Arbor*

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"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning"

Lamentations 3:22-23



# Cake Friday

If you enjoy baking (or buying!) cake's, slices, cupcakes or any other sweet treats, please consider signing up for a week that suits you. Your donation will be raffled, 20p per ticket, with all proceeds towards the school.

Please pop us a message or come in and see us if you'd be willing to volunteer for any of the following dates next half term...

13<sup>th</sup> February  
27<sup>th</sup> February  
13<sup>th</sup> March



Thanks so much for helping us keep cake Friday delicious!



# Number Day 2026

We had a great time celebrating Number Day today! There were so many creative dress up ideas from a ruler to an Uno card. Thank you for joining in! We had lots of fun with numbers, making hats, doing maths with Smarties, reading number stories and collecting data to make graphs.



# Friendly February 2026

MONDAY



2 Ask a friend how they have been feeling recently

TUESDAY



3 Do an act of kindness to make life easier for someone

WEDNESDAY



4 Invite a friend over for a 'tea break' (in person or virtual)

THURSDAY



5 Make time to have a friendly chat with a neighbour

FRIDAY



6 Get back in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while

SATURDAY



7 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others

SUNDAY

1 Send a message to let someone know you're thinking of them

8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust

9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you

10 Look for good in others, particularly when you feel frustrated with them

11 Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost

12 Focus on being kind rather than being right

13 Smile at the people you see and brighten their day

14 Tell a loved one or friend why they are special to you

15 Support a local business with a positive online review or friendly message

16 Check in on someone who may be struggling and offer to help

17 Appreciate the good qualities of someone in your life

18 Respond kindly to everyone you talk to today, including yourself

19 Share something you find inspiring, helpful or amusing

20 Make a plan to connect with others and do something fun

21 Really listen to what people say, without judging them

22 Give sincere compliments to people you talk to today



23 Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise

24 Tell a loved one about the strengths that you see in them

25 Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why

26 Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones

27 Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them

28 Give positive comments to as many people as possible today



## Friends

*A message from The Friends:*

*We would like to welcome the new families who have joined the school over the last few months, and to those who have supported the committee – it's been great to have some new faces, skills and ideas!*

*We have been thinking about the year ahead and what our priorities will be, and wanted to make sure we are representing the views of the wider school community. Thanks to those of you that responded to our recent survey; the majority of parents took part. An Easter Egg Hunt was the clear favourite for a fundraising activity next term! We are planning to run this as a family event, after school on the last day of term before Easter.*

*We are also planning to start a bake sale once a term – where families from each class can bring in sweet treats to sell after school. This will rotate around the different classes, and we will start with Owls and Goslings on the same day as the Easter Egg Hunt – 27th March. We are also hoping to have some Easter craft stalls at the event. Finally, we heard your feedback about non-uniform days and have decided to wait until the summer term.*

*The interactive whiteboard in the school hall is broken beyond repair, and we have agreed to contribute £500 towards a replacement – this will allow children to use the space for learning, collective worship, and we will see it in action soon in sharing assemblies! We are also contributing to a whole school class trip – which is being planned for the summer term.*

*The big project we are fundraising for this year is a standing pond for the nature garden. We are applying for grants, and will also be looking for donations of materials for fencing, etc. as well as volunteer time once we have everything ready to put together!*

*Finally, look out for a little gift from The Friends for your child on the last day of term next Friday.*

*Please do follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with activities.*

*Our next meeting is online 8.30pm on 25th February, and all are welcome!*

WE'D LOVE FOR YOU TO COME

# FREE VALENTINES SESSION\*

\* Free admission if you've never been  
to Methwold Youth club before

CRAFT . FUN . FRIENDS



Methwold Youth Centre  
Iceni Academy Ground

**All KS2 children**

Monday 9th Feb - 4:30-6pm

Wednesday 11th Feb - 4:30-6pm



BOOK YOUR SPACE - DROP LISA A TEXT  
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GROW WITH US  
**NOURISH**

**Sweet and Sour Chicken  
or  
Sweet and Sour Vegetables VG**

**Lo Mein Noodles 1,3,16  
Rice  
Oriental Stir Fried Vegetables**

**Melo MeloJelly vg  
Butter Biscuit vg  
Fruit Pots VE**

**26th FEBRUARY**

