



# Gooderstone Gazette

8th November  
2024

Autumn Issue 9

## Team Points

Einstein: 105

Curie: 98

Newton: 73



**Congratulations Einstein!** You have a non uniform day **Wednesday 13th November!**

## Let Every Light Shine Collective Worship Story:

“The angel answered and said to him, “I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news.” – Luke 1:19

## Stars & Wows

### Owls & Goslings,

**Star of the week is, Elsie** for super independence and a great attitude to learning.

**Wow of the week is, Elliot** for always linking his learning and sharing his knowledge.

**Writer of the week is, Fred** for working hard to improve letter formation and writing independently.

### Skylarks,

**Star of the week is, Bobby**, for working super hard on his letter formation and focus in phonics.

**Wow of the week is, Alana** for sharing great historical knowledge and ideas when looking at a picture of the moon landing.

**Writer of the week is, Oliver** for a fantastic Big Write.

### Kestrels

**Star of the week is Evie** for bravely sharing her home learning, including singing in front of the whole class,

**Wow of the week is Kieran** for an excellent piece of art on SAW day.

**Writer of the week is Lucas** for a fantastic poem on SAW day.

## What have we been up to?

**This week in Owls & Goslings**, we completed our Big Write about Iberian monsters and even created monsters out of playdough. We also made Rangoli patterns and Diya pots and then created breadstick sparklers using melted chocolate. We have painted poppies ready for Remembrance day.

**This week in Skylarks**, we started our learning about space. We revealed the cover of our new book bit by bit and were excited to see that it was about an astronaut! We learnt about the first man on the moon, Neil Armstrong. We watched a news report of the first moon landing and thought about how exciting it must have been to watch for the first time. We also completed our Big Writes about a mysterious floating island, making our own islands from clay outside and creating magical mixed up creatures to live on them.

**This week in Kestrels**, we wrote our Big Writes about the castle on the shore and the secrets of Skull Island. We also had our SAW day where we learnt about colour, including how we see colour, how our sight compares to that of other animals and what chromatography is. We then studied the Art of Samuel Thomas, a local artist, and created collages in his style.

# Upcoming Events

- **11th November 9am:** Individual & Sibling Photos - Tempest
- **11th November 10:50am - 11:05am:** Remembrance Service outside St Georges church, all welcome!
- **13th November:** **EINSTEIN** Non Uniform Day
- **15th November:** Children in Need
- **22nd November:** Cake Friday
- **29th November:** Kestrels Celebration Assembly, all welcome!
- **5th December 3:30pm - 7pm:** Parents Evening
- **6th December 1:30pm:** Cinderella Pantomime!
- **9th December 2pm:** Nativity Afternoon Performance @ St Georges church
- **11th December 6pm:** Nativity Evening Performance @ St Georges church
- **12th December:** Christmas Jumper Day!
- **18th December 9am:** Carol Concert
- **20th December 9am:** Owls and Goslings Celebration Assembly

## Uniform Discount

My Clothing have provided all parents with a discount code to use on their website for all items, including uniform, bottles, coats etc.

**10% discount code MyClothing.**

Code = **UNIFORM10** Expires 20/12/2024

If you have any problems using the code, please speak with My Clothing directly.

## Sendco

SENDCo Information and Support - Mrs Tinkley SENDCo

If you have any concerns about your child and would like to talk to Mrs Tinkley, please do not hesitate to contact her via email or telephone the school.

Family Voice - September 2024

Family Action November 2024 Newsletter

Mrs Katie Tinkley - SENDCo Gooderstone: 01366 328280

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**Friday 15th November is Children In Need day** which we like to support every year. With the weather turning colder and the days getting darker early we have decided to come up with our own theme of '**Get Cosy for Children In Need**'.

The children can come to school dressed in cosy clothes of their choice, this could be PJs, onesies, oodles etc. They may bring slippers to wear in school but will need a pair of outdoor shoes for playtime and lunchtime.

Next week is also maths week and the children will be taking part in lots of maths related activities. We are keen to join the themes together, so on the Friday we will be having a 'Money day' using the donations the children bring in for Children In Need. On this day children will be looking at notes, coins, amounts, solving problems related to money and much more. So please donate any spare change you may have as it will help the children learn how to use money and also help many children through this wonderful charity.

At the end of the day each class will count up the amounts and we will then donate the total.

★ **Cake Friday Winner!** ★  
Congratulations to Eva C

We would like to thank Mrs Sayers for her wonderful, donated cake and everyone for taking part.

We have raised a fantastic £33.20

We look forward to our next Cake Friday which will take place Friday 22nd November with a lovely creation from Mrs Sawyer!





## Friends of Gooderstone

The Friends would like to say a heartfelt thank you to those parents and staff members who attended the AGM on Wednesday. We would like to share with you the results of the Committee elections and introduce our new Committee Members:

**Co Chairs – Mrs Samantha Sawyer & Mrs Pippa Cross**

**Treasurer – Mr Ben Sawyer**

**Co Secretaries – Mrs Toni Clark & Mrs Hermione O'Rourke**

As always, we welcome everyone to join and take part with the Friends and we look forward to organising events for 2024 / 2025 and providing crucial funds for the school.

If you would like to join, please add on Facebook, email or speak with Mrs O'Rourke in the office!

**Email! - [friends.of.gooderstone@gmail.com](mailto:friends.of.gooderstone@gmail.com)**

**Facebook!: [The Friends of Gooderstone Primary School](#) | Facebook**

### Odd Socks Day!

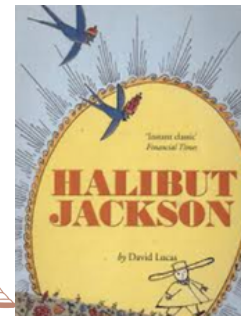
Monday 11th November to Friday 15th November is Anti Bullying Week. Throughout the week children will be looking at this year's theme which is titled 'Choose Respect.' They will take part in different activities including the BBC live lesson at 11am on Tuesday 12th November. To mark this week we will be having an odd sock day on Tuesday 12th November to celebrate differences. Your children will be expected to come in uniform as usual but are encouraged to wear odd socks, the wackier the better!

### Owls & Goslings

## Reading

### Kestrels

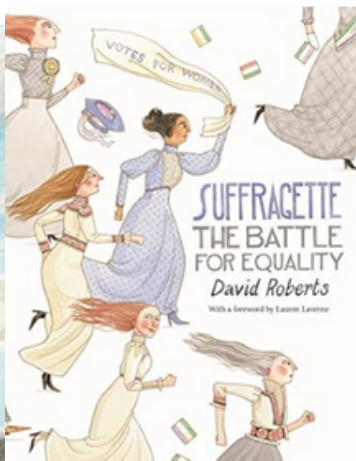
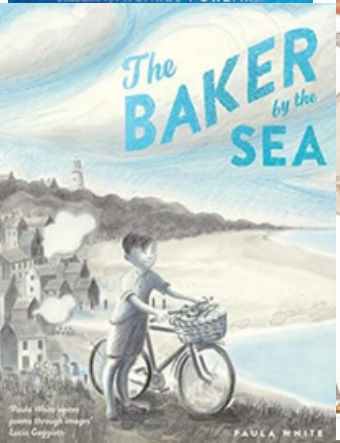
Kensuke's Kingdom  
English Year 3/4: The Baker by the Sea  
English Year 5/6: Suffragette. The Battle for Equality



Halibut Jackson  
Ning & the Night Spirits

### Skylarks

Astro Girl  
Cakes in Space



Let Every Light Shine

# New Ways November 2024

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community



5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel



6 Try out a new way of being physically active

7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire

1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month

2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way

3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you

8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week

9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"

10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea

11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way

12 Find out something new about someone you care about

13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax

14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about

15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."

16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective

17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself

18 Connect with someone from a different generation

19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site

20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before

21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them

22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them

23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love

24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently

25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show

27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it

28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card

29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen

30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times



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