

# The Gorseley Weekly

## THE GORSELEY BANK MISSION STATEMENT

*To nurture lifelong learners who are confident and ready to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the outside world.*



### Y4 RESIDENTIAL

Year 4 had a fantastic time on their residential this week! The children enjoyed an exciting range of activities, including canoeing, den building, low ropes and the zip wire — just to name a few. They showed brilliant teamwork, enthusiasm and resilience throughout, and we are incredibly proud of every single one of them.

You can see more photos and updates from the trip on the Y4 Instagram page.

The children returned full of smiles and eager to share stories from their adventures. Well done, Year 4 — you did us all proud!



### EID MUBARAK

As many in our school community prepare to mark this special occasion, we would like to send our heartfelt good wishes. Eid is a wonderful time for coming together with family, sharing meals, exchanging gifts, and reflecting on kindness and gratitude.



We hope your celebrations are filled with joy, peace, and memorable moments. Whether you're travelling, visiting loved ones, or celebrating at home, we wish you a happy and restful break. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school and hearing all about their festivities.

## SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

As many of you will know, the online world is developing rapidly — sometimes faster than any of us can keep up with. To help us stay informed, PC Andrew Cornall has recently delivered training for staff to deepen our understanding of children's online experiences. As part of this, he also shared helpful guidance for parents on topics such as managing screen time, keeping children safe online, and navigating the ever-changing landscape of artificial intelligence.

At school, we remain committed to supporting all children with their online safety and digital wellbeing. However, the partnership between home and school is vital. Small, practical steps — such as regularly checking your child's phone, knowing their passcode, setting limits on screen time, and keeping phones out of bedrooms and bathrooms — can make a big difference. These simple routines help keep children safe while still allowing them the independence to explore and learn online.

If you ever have concerns about your child's online activity or come across something on their device that worries you, please speak to your child's class teacher.

You can find the guidance shared by PC Cornall at the link below.

['What I wish my parents or carers knew...': A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives | Children's Commissioner for England](#)

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

23rd March - Y1 Trip to Runway Visitor Park  
 24th March - Y5 Maya History Workshop  
 25th March - Y6 Crucial Crew Workshop  
 26th March - CAFT Dress Down Day  
 27th March - 4LvS Swimming (1.30pm - 3pm)  
 27th March - Last Day of term  
 13th April - First Day Back  
 17th April - 4LvS Swimming (1.30pm - 3pm)  
 20th -21st April - Y3 Residential

## KIDS CLUB BEHAVIOUR POLICY UPDATE

We would like to let families know that Kids Club is now aligning with the school's behaviour policy, with some adaptations to ensure it is appropriate for our setting.

Any behaviour incidents that occur during Kids Club will be managed separately from the school day. However, if a situation arises where a behaviour meeting would be helpful, we may look at the child's needs across both the school day and Kids Club to ensure we are offering the most consistent and supportive approach.

Thank you for your continued support.

## ASSEMBLIES NEXT WEEK

Next week, our whole school will come together for two special assemblies.

On Tuesday, we will be celebrating Eid and learning more about why it is such an important occasion for many of our families.

Then on Thursday, we will hold our Easter assembly, where we will reflect on the themes of hope and new beginnings.

## THIS WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...

420			351
347			339

## CAFT EASTER EGG COLLECTION!



2026  
Easter Egg  
Appeal



3,240 children will visit CAFT for a special Easter themed visit this year. The Easter Bunny needs YOUR support to make sure every child is treated to a chocolate egg to take home.

Can you help by dropping a chocolate egg to school? Or donate and CAFT will do the shopping for you!

All donations by 16 March please



[Click here or scan the QR code to donate!](#)



Thank You!

Contact [hannah@caft.co.uk](mailto:hannah@caft.co.uk) to learn more

Reg Charity no: 1003675

## 'EARN IT' DRESS DOWN DAY!

We're excited to support CAFT with a special 'Earn It!' Dress Down Day on Thursday 26th March.

Instead of parents simply making a donation, we're encouraging children to earn their contribution by completing a job or small chore at home. This helps our pupils learn about kindness, responsibility and the impact of giving.

Here are some suggested jobs and donation amounts:

- Washing a car – £8
- Mopping – £3
- Dusting – £2
- Making all the beds – £4
- Making breakfast – £6
- Hoovering – £4
- Tidying their room – £1
- Or any other helpful jobs at home!

Once your child has completed their chosen job(s), parents can make a donation on our JustGiving page here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gorseysbankcaft>

Thank you for supporting CAFT and for helping our children make a difference!