

The Gorsey Weekly

THE GORSEY BANK MISSION STATEMENT

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



CHANGES TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS

From September 2026, there have been important changes to the Free School Meals (FSM) system. The government has expanded eligibility so that all children from households receiving Universal Credit may now qualify for free school meals.

At the same time, the previous transitional protections have ended, which means that all families must have their eligibility checked under the new criteria.

If your child currently receives Free School Meals, or you think they may now be eligible, you will need to submit a **new application** so that eligibility can be confirmed.

We strongly encourage all families in receipt of Universal Credit to apply, as this support can help reduce household costs and ensure children have access to a nutritious meal each day. Further information about how to apply can be found [here](#).

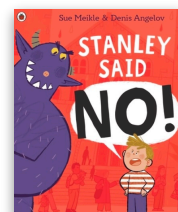
AUTHOR VISIT

We are delighted to share that the children in Key Stage 1 will be welcoming Sue Meikle, author of *Stanley Said No*, to school next week.

During her visit, Sue will read her book to the children and talk about her experiences as an author. The children will also have the opportunity to ask questions about the story, the writing process, and what being an author means to her.

This is a wonderful opportunity to inspire a love of reading and storytelling, and we are sure the children will enjoy meeting a real-life author and hearing first-hand about how books are created.

We are all really looking forward to meeting Sue and sharing this exciting experience with our Key Stage 1 children!

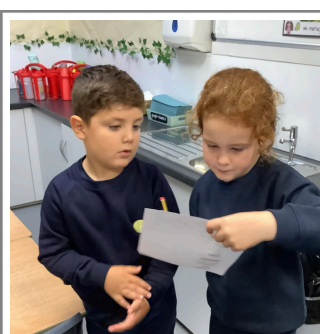


PARENTS' EVENING

We are pleased to let you know that our first Parents' Evening of the academic year will take place on **Wednesday 7th October and Thursday 8th October**.

Further information about how to book your appointment will be sent out over the next couple of weeks.

Parents' Evening provides a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, discuss how they have settled into their new class, celebrate their successes, and gain an insight into their learning so far this year. It is also a chance for you to ask any questions you may have about the year ahead and how we can work together to support your child's progress.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

23rd Sept - Reception Curriculum Evening

28th Sept - School Tour

2nd Oct - Open Morning 2027 Reception parents

7th & 8th Oct - Parents' Evening

14th Oct - Academy Committee Meeting

16th Oct- Wear Red Day

19th Oct - School Tour

21st Oct - Flu Vaccinations (all year groups)

SEPT 2027 RECEPTION APPLICATIONS

We may still be welcoming our new Reception pupils into the Gorsey family for this year but applications are already open for our 2027 cohort!

If you or anyone you know has a child who will be of Reception age next academic year they can apply for a place with us through the [Cheshire East admissions website which can be accessed here.](#)

For anyone new to the school community, we run weekly school tours which take place on a Monday at 9.30 led by a member of the Senior Leadership Team and we also have our first Open Morning of the year taking place on Friday 2nd October. Both of these can be booked via our website or by calling the school office on **01625 468040**.

CAR PARK REMINDERS

To help ensure the safety of all children and to improve traffic management on site, we would like to remind you of the arrangements for access to the school car park.

The school car park will be open to parents and carers **between 7.30am and 8.00am** for children attending Kids GB. After 8.00am, the car park will be **closed to parents and carers until 4.30pm**.

If your child is attending Kids GB whilst the car park is closed, you will need to park on the surrounding roads and walk your child into school.

We have made this decision to allow staff to park safely throughout the day and to reduce the number of children walking through the car park during busy periods. This will help improve safety for everyone on site.

If you need access to a disabled parking space, please contact the school office. We will ensure appropriate arrangements are made so that you can continue to access the car park when required.

REMEMBER WE ARE AN ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL - UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD NUTS, OR ANY PRODUCT CONTAINING NUTS, BE BROUGHT ON TO SCHOOL PREMISES.

THIS WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...

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COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

To help us ensure all children are dismissed safely at the end of the day, please inform the school office (before 1pm) if someone different will be collecting your child. This information will then be passed on to your child's class teacher.

If your child is registered to attend Kids GB but you decide to collect them yourself and have not notified the school office in advance, your child will still be sent to Kids GB and you will need to collect them from the front of school.

It is important that we are informed of any changes to collection arrangements to ensure the safeguarding of all children.

