



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.



CHRISTMAS MARKETS - EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW!

We're excited to announce that Gorsey's Christmas Market will take place on Friday 5th December from 3:15pm to 5:00pm.

This is one of our biggest events of the year, and we truly appreciate any support you can offer to make it a success!

Here's how you can help, but please note all of the below are optional:

- £2 donation for Dress Down Day on Friday 5th December (can also be paid via the PTA website).
- A teddy for the tombola.
- A bottle for the tombola.
- A box or bag of chocolates for the tombola (must be sealed and NUT FREE).
- Your Christmas Cracker (if not already handed in).
- £5 for your child to shop for your present at the market.
- Any sold or unsold raffle tickets and money (tickets will be sent home a week before the fair).
- Cash for the day of the fair for stalls and activities.

Thank you for your continued support—we couldn't do this without you! And don't forget to wrap up warm... Manchester weather is always full of surprises!

KIDS CLUB PAYMENT REMINDER

Kids Club balances need to be cleared by **Friday 12th December**. If you pay via the Tax-Free Childcare service, please ensure a payment is made well in advance as there can be a delay in the monies reaching our bank account. Screenshots will not be accepted as proof of payment, and your sessions will be placed on HOLD until we have received the funds. As per our Charging Policy, you risk losing your place/s to someone on the waiting list if your payment is late.

A MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURY

We're excited to share some festive fun! On Wednesday 17th December, we'll be hosting a Dress Down Day where children can come to school wearing their favourite Christmas jumper.

To make the day even more special, they'll enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner as we kick off the holiday season together. We kindly ask that each child brings £1 to help us raise funds for a wonderful cause: The Children's Adventure Farm Trust. Your support will make a big difference!

Thank you for helping us spread joy and generosity this Christmas.

Love from 'The Treasury'



ATTENDANCE

As we approach the festive season, I'd like to remind everyone of the importance of full school attendance. While we understand families may wish to enjoy Christmas celebrations and events, attending school every day is essential for your child's academic progress as well as their personal and social development.

In Summer 2024, new government guidance introduced stricter rules regarding term-time absences. Local Authorities can issue fines if a child has five or more days of unauthorised absence. The first fine can be up to £160 per parent per child; subsequent fines will be at least this amount, and repeated cases may lead to criminal proceedings.

Absences may be authorised in exceptional circumstances, but these should be kept to an absolute minimum. If you need to request an absence, please submit your request in writing to admin@gorseybank.org.uk.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

3rd December - EYFS Nativity (9.30am)
 5th December - PTA Christmas Market
 10th December - Y3/Y4 & Y5/Y6 Rex Cinema trip
 11th December - KS1 Nativity (9.30am)
 12th December - KS1 Nativity (9.30am)
 16th December - KS2 Carol Service (2pm & 7pm)
 17th December - Christmas Lunch & Dress Down Day
 18th December - Rec/Y1/Y2 Rex Cinema Trip
 18th December - KS2 Christmas Party
 18th December - Christmas Concert KS2 (9.15-10.45am) & Christmas Concert KS1 (2.15 - 3pm)
 19th December - Last Day of term
 5th January - INSET Day
 6th January - Children return to school

SEPT 2026 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 2026 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. These can be booked via our website or by calling the school office on **01625 468040**.

THIS WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...

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366			418
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POPPY APPEAL - THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported this year's Poppy Appeal. Together, we raised an amazing **£755.67!** Your generosity makes a real difference, and we're so proud of the contribution our school community has made over the years. Thank you for helping us support such an important cause!



CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

KEY STAGE 1 NATIVITY PERFORMANCES

Rehearsals are well underway for the legendary Gorsey Nativities! Our Reception performance will be at 9.30am on Wednesday 3rd December - no ticket is required for this event but entrance is strictly limited to two adults per child due to capacity in the hall. The Key Stage 1 performances are split across 11th - 12th December and are ticketed to ensure equal numbers for each performance.

KEY STAGE 2 CAROL SERVICE - 16TH DEC

We will be returning to the Wilmslow URC for our KS2 (Years 3-6) Carol Service on Tuesday 16th December. There will be performances at 2pm and 7pm. Both performances are ticketless but limited to two attendees per family. We would advise attendance at the afternoon performance if possible as the evening one is always very busy! Whilst the URC are very accommodating we do need to adhere to their guidance on capacity and please ask that you stick to the 2 attendees ONLY.

SALLY MELBOURNE'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We're excited to announce that our Christmas Concert, led by Sally Melbourne, is just around the corner!

- **KS2 Performance:** 9:15 – 10:45am
- **KS1 Performance:** 2:15 – 3:00pm

Please arrive a few minutes before the start time so we can get everyone seated and begin promptly. As you can imagine, Christmas is a very busy time in school, so your help with punctuality is greatly appreciated!

Sally has sent an email with full details of the event—please check your inbox for more information.

