

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.



READING FOR PLEASURE

As you will all know, reading is HUGE at Gorseley Bank Primary School! It is without doubt the most important academic skill we can teach our pupils but just as important are the lessons they learn from stories and the enjoyment they get from spending time in a book either as a social or individual activity.

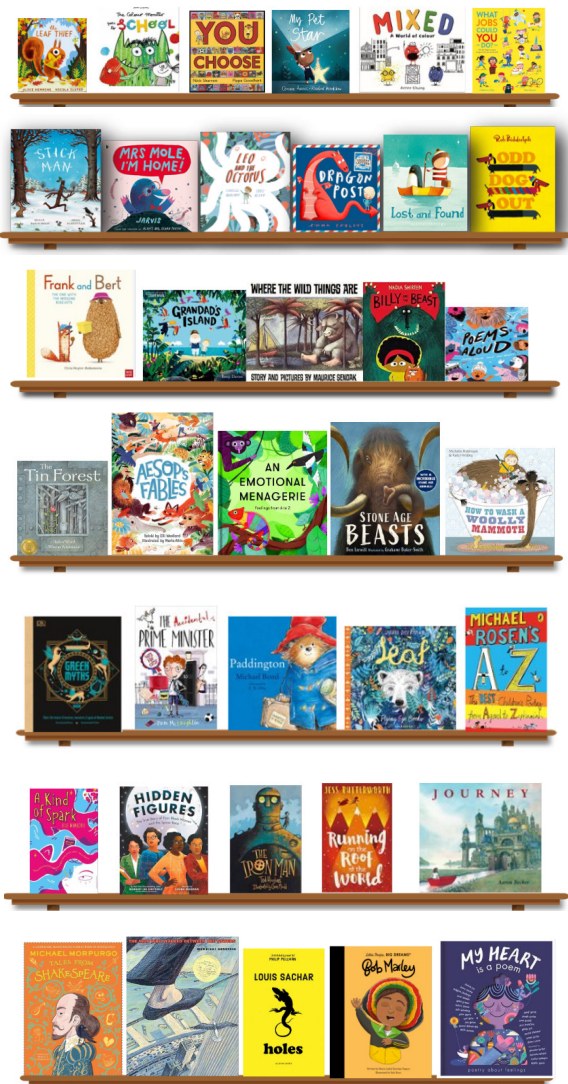
Every term, every year group at GBPS has their learning supported by an amazing selection of books, which make up what we call our Curriculum Bookshelves.

Each book on the shelf is selected by our teachers to inspire and engage the children as well as supporting our focus on the character traits of kindness, bravery, citizenship, integrity, curiosity and gratitude.

The Bookshelves for all years groups are available to view on the year group pages of our website. What can you do as parents to nurture this love of reading? Amongst many other things, model your own passion for it, make an event of visiting a bookshop (yes, possibly with a hot chocolate afterwards!) and most importantly let your child take the lead in what they want to read (we wouldn't like to be told would we?!). ...and if you make a routine of just one thing, stick unequivocally to that nightly reading slot - read to them, read with them, sit through the same book you've read 50 times if that's what they want to do!

We say this as parents and teachers - prioritise sharing daily reading experiences - so grab a book, grab a cuppa (or whatever the drink of choice may be), get comfy and enjoy.

Get lost in a book, we promise you won't regret it! Happy Reading!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

26th Sept - Christmas Card Collection

1st Oct - Flu Nasal spray (all year groups)

2nd Oct - Y5/6 Online Safety workshop (during the school day)

3rd Oct - Open Morning for 2026 Reception parents

8th & 9th October - Parents' Evening

10th - Grandparent's Day

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 and we also have our first Open Morning of the year taking place on Friday 3rd October. Both of these can be booked via our website or by calling the school office on **01625 468040**.

OUR LOCAL FAMILY HUBS

The Family Hub at The Oakenclough Centre is a welcoming space for families in our community. Whether you're looking for advice, support groups, or helpful resources, this is your go-to destination.

[Explore our Primary Age Children Support Page](#) to find guidance on everything from health and development to online safety. It's a one-stop shop designed to support families at every stage.

On-site, you'll also find a cosy café, a calming sensory room, and a toy library – all open to the community and perfect for spending quality time together.



RESPECTING OUR NEIGHBOURS

We had a number of concerns over the last year regarding parking on Gorsey Road and treating our neighbour's properties disrespectfully. The start of the year is therefore a good opportunity to remind everyone of our three school rules – we are respectful, we try our best and we make good choices. Please park in a considerate manner, ensuring that drive ways are not blocked and cars are not parked on double yellow lines, or in places that will endanger those crossing the road at peak times.

We also ask for your cooperation in asking children to respect our neighbour's properties and refrain from walking onto open gardens, or along garden walls, particularly the walls at the top of Gorsey Road which have recently been damaged.

Please do not hesitate to continue to inform school (via admin@gorseybank.org.uk) if you have any further parking concerns that you wish to bring to our attention. As we did last year, we will continue to report instances to the police.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Applications are now open for children transitioning to secondary school. Parents are strongly advised to apply for three preferences.

[Applications must be submitted to Cheshire East via their website here by 31st October 2025](#)

THIS WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...

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CITIUS



FORTIUS

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