

The Gorsey Weekly

VE DAY CELEBRATIONS

This week, we've been learning about and celebrating 80 years since VE Day. The children took part in two whole school assemblies where we explored the history and significance of this special day. Their interest and enthusiasm continued in the classroom, where they enjoyed learning more and taking part in VE Day activities.

It was wonderful to hear how many of our pupils marked the occasion at home, celebrating with their family and friends and sharing their experiences with us in school.

TRINITY MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

Last week, we were excited to be able to offer a group of Year 4 children a fantastic opportunity to be involved in a collaborative writing event which had been organised by children's author, Jonny Walker, alongside Trinity Multi Academy Trust in Halifax. This unique learning opportunity aimed to fire children into writing through creative oral activities, an immersive experience outdoors as well as an encounter with falcons, with the final outcome of a poem. The event involved Year 4 children and teachers, from a few of our Laurus primaries, as well as children and staff from other schools.



KIDS CLUB BOOKINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

Details of the booking process for our Kids Club provision for September will be sent out next week. Please read the letter carefully to understand the timelines involved and guidance on how to request your priority sessions.

You will only be able to make requests to book Kids Club places via the booking link, details of which will also be found in the letter and will go 'live' from week commencing Monday 19th May.

A reminder that any requested sessions allocated will be charged until at least October Half Term so we will be asking you to only request sessions you absolutely need. We would also remind existing users of Kids Club they will need to reapply for any sessions required from September.

FAMILY HELP

Cheshire East Council is dedicated to supporting families as soon as challenges arise, helping to prevent issues from becoming more serious. This approach, known as *early help*, offers the right support at any stage of a child's life—not just during the early years

A variety of local services work together to identify when families may need extra help and to provide that support. This includes Children's Centres, which offer fun and educational activities for under-5s, and the Parenting Journey, available to all parents in Cheshire East.

To learn more about the range of early help services available for you and your child, please follow the links below.

<https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/care-and-support-for-children/how-do-i-get-early-help-for-my-child/how-do-i-get-early-help-for-my-child.aspx>

GOOD LUCK TO OUR Y6 PUPILS

Next week, our Year 6 children will be sitting their KS2 Assessments (SATs). We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved—not just this year, but throughout their time at Gorsey Bank.

We understand that next week might feel a little daunting for some, but please remember: you've worked so hard, you're well prepared, and we all believe in you!

**YOU'VE
GOT
THIS!**

Take some time this weekend to relax, rest, and recharge—you've got this!

RECEPTION CLASS ASSEMBLY

The class assembly season has well and truly started and the children in Reception have blown us away with their performance this afternoon!

What a fantastic way to end our week! We loved hearing all about their learning and we can't quite believe how much they have done already.

We are so proud of every single one of them!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

9th May - Reception Assembly

12th-16 May - Y6 SATS Week

13th May - Reception Whitworth Art Gallery Visit

21st May - Y2 Blue Plant Aquarium Visit

23rd May - Sports Day

23rd May - Last day of term

2nd June - Start of term

16th June - Class Photos

17th June - Y6 pupils at Wilmslow High School

18th June - Sports Team Photos

19th June - Dress Down Day

20th June - INSET Day / Y6 pupils at WHS

24th June - Y1 Visit to St Bart's

25th June - Reception (September intake) Induction Evening

7th July - Y6 Production

10th July - Changeover day and open evening

10th July - Pop Up Uniform Shop

10th July - Y6 Leavers' Disco

ATTENDANCE

Full attendance at school is critical not only for your child's academic success but also for their personal and social development. Last summer, new government guidance came into force regarding fines for term time absences. Fines are typically issued by the Local Authority if a child has an unauthorised absence for 5 days or more. The first time a family incurs a fine it could be up to £160 per parent per child, a second will be at least this figure and any further instances could result in a criminal conviction.

There are exceptional circumstances in which short term time absences can be authorised but even these should of course be kept to a minimum. Should you need to request an absence, this must be submitted in writing to admin@gorseybank.org.uk.

MOVE AND GROOVE SUMMER CLUB

Move and Groove Theatre Company, led by Nicola Preston—who also runs the Performing Arts Club and offers LAMDA tuition at Gorsey Bank—is hosting a *Show in a Week* Summer School during the week of 11th August. The week will be packed with dance, drama, and musical theatre, all leading up to a final performance for family and friends

For more information or to book a place, please email Nicola at nicolatpreston@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...

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CITIUS



FORTIUS

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Article 4

Every child has the right to have their rights protected and respected.



SPORTS DAY

We're already looking to this year's Sports Day which will take place on the last day of this half term, Friday 23rd May from 9.30am.

Parents are of course welcome to come and support the children. As always the event will be a House competition and as such we ask the children to wear a t-shirt in the colour of their House.

