

The Gorseley Weekly

CHESHIRE EAST ATTENDANCE UPDATES

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

Penalty Notices will be issued for

Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10-week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.



DRESS DOWN DAY - THIS IS ME!

Just a polite reminder that there will be a Dress Down Day on Friday 14th February to raise money for the Children's Adventure Farm Trust (CAFT), a wonderful charity that provides a safe haven for children who may have complex medical needs, special educational needs or are socially disadvantaged. The suggested donation is £2 either in cash on the day or using the following link

<http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gorseleybankcaft#supportersList>

A message from The Treasury and Edie

The theme will be 'This is me' and you can wear any clothes that tell us about who you are. For example, if you like football and you have football clothes then you might want to wear that. You could also wear something related to your favourite sport, or a character from a book or game or tv show. You could also dress up with things you like to do or just your favourite colour.

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK 2025

This year's theme for Children's Mental Health Week is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself.' In collaboration with the characters from *Inside Out*, the children have been exploring their emotions and learning about self-awareness.



They've shared what they love about themselves, celebrated their strengths, and reflected on areas they're still working on.

If you have any concerns about your child's mental health, please reach out to their class teacher or visit our 'Family Support and Guidance' page on the school website.

Remember we all have something to celebrate about ourselves!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

7th Feb - Y2 Assembly
14th Feb - Dress Down Day
14th Feb - Y3 Palace Theatre visit
14th Feb - Y5 Assembly
14th Feb - End of term
24th Feb - Start of term
6th March - World Book Day
12th - 14th March - Y4 Residential
28th March - Y1 Runway Visitor Park visit
28th March - Pop Up Uniform Shop
1st - 3rd April KS1 Spring Sing
3rd - 4th April - Y3 Residential
4th April - End of term
22nd April - INSET day
23rd April - Start of term
2nd May - Y1 Assembly
5th May - May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)
9th May - Reception Assembly
12th - 16th May - Y6 SATS week

Article 18

Every child has the right to share their thoughts freely unless it harms other people



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

Y2 CLASS ASSEMBLY

The class assembly season has well and truly started, well done Y2 you were all A-MAZ-ING! We loved hearing all about your learning in your first term - I can't quite believe how much you have done already! I know I speak on behalf of every single person in the room today when I say how incredibly proud we are of you all!



THIS YEAR'S HOUSE POINTS SO FAR...

229



ALTIVS



MAGNUS

169

219



CITIUS



FORTIVS

187

HICKORY'S CELEBRATION

Our first Hickory's visit was a huge success! The children loved their well deserved treat. The more green tickets your child receives the more likely they are to be chosen. You've got to be in it to win it! Well done to all children who have received a green tickets during the Autumn Term.

There will be another opportunity for the children to visit Hickory's at the end of Spring 2.



KIDS CLUB PAYMENT REMINDER

Please be reminded that if you use our School Wraparound Care Breakfast Club and/or After School Club that the balance must be cleared in full by this Friday (7th February).

We will be using the following week to allocate next terms patterns so if your balance is not cleared we will not allocate your patterns and your place will be offered out to other families on our waiting list. If you have any problems with this please contact the School Office as soon as possible.

Becky Jones, Kids Club Manager

