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RACISM  
THE  
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CARD

# The Gorseley Weekly

## WHAT IS INCLUSION AND WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

At the heart of the concept of inclusion is the belief and determination that we hold very dear that all pupils, regardless of background, ability, physical impairment, neurodiversity, race, gender, religion or any other characteristic, will feel a strong sense of belonging in our school and that they will have both their pastoral and academic needs fully met.

Creating and nurturing an inclusive culture is not just for the benefit of specific groups of pupils. All our children develop better being able to interact with a diverse range of people, leaving them far better equipped to empathise with the needs and backgrounds of others. This is true now but will be particularly so as they go on to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the outside world.

## ANTI RACISM

Today's Wear Red Day is part of a much broader approach to anti-racism both at Gorseley Bank and across Laurus Trust schools. It has been a core part of our School Development Plan for a number of years and this is backed up by Trust-wide anti-racism charters both for staff and pupils.

We are currently in the process of putting together a guidance document containing sections which summarise our curricular approach to teaching our pupils about diversity, how we as a school define racism and related terms, and also how we respond and react to the rare instances that may occur in school.

**To help inform our work on this we would really appreciate the input of any parents willing to engage in this.** This will take the form of an in person meeting at some point prior to the end of next term in which we will share the draft document and request thoughts and feedback on it.

If you would like to know more about this or would be happy to give up a little time to join us for this, please email me direct at [joe.maguire@gorseleybank.or.uk](mailto:joe.maguire@gorseleybank.or.uk)



## SF SAID AUTHOR VISIT

Yesterday our Autumn term visiting author, SF Said, joined us for an afternoon of reading thrills and spills in which he shared his secrets to engaging writing and discussed his inspirations from Star Wars to Watership Down. We are in the process of booking our next author and will look forward to sharing more details soon!



## END OF HALF TERM HOUSE TOTALS!!



## Article 30

If you come from a minority group, because of your race, religion or language, you have the right to enjoy your own culture, practice your own religion and speak your own language.

**WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL**

Children's rights are learned, understood and lived in this school.



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness

## SEPT 2025 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 2025 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 Friday at 9.30 led by a member of the Senior Leadership Team and we also have an Open Morning taking place on Friday 8th November. Both of these can be booked via our website or by calling the school office in 01625 468040.

## SPORTING SUCCESS!

A grand day out at Manchester City last week for our Year 3 and Year 4 football teams. Our Year 3 team won their tournament and as a result will be off to the finals next year!



It was a brilliant experience for all involved and as we have come to expect from our teams, they represented the school incredibly well both in their performances and the levels of respect shown within the team and to other competitors.

## VIP LUNCHES

One of the linchpins of behaviour here is that the children show the levels high levels of respect to all adults, at all times in all situations. Alongside the system for rewards in class, our lovely team of Midday Assistants give out 'green tickets' for excellent behaviour at lunchtimes (either in the lunch hall or outside on the playground). These tickets are collected together and in addition to an end of term treat, winners are picked at random to sit at the VIP table in the lunch hall where they get to pick what time they eat as well as a few treats at the table - our first VIP diners certainly enjoyed it today!



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

25th Oct - Last day of term

4th Nov - INSET Day

5th Nov - Start of term

12th Nov - Parent Council Meeting

14th Nov - Individual Photographs

5th-6th Dec - Rex Christmas Cinema Visits

13th Dec - PTA Christmas Market

22nd Dec - End of term