



Gorse Hall Primary and Nursery School

June Newsletter

Monthly Message from Miss Flood

This weekend, Sunday, 28th June school are taking part in the Stalybridge Carnival. We hope you see as many of you there as possible and hopefully the sun will continue to shine. The theme this year is ECO (Endangered Animals) children taking part can dress up as an animal or wear an animal mask. We are very proud to announce that we have gained the ECO Award with Distinction for the 30th year. Also we were privileged to have the BBC in school filming last week. They were interviewing the children on Peer Mediation, which will be aired later in the year and chatted to a few about the World Cup. This was aired last week on Newsround.

At present the weather is reaching high temperatures. Please ensure you put suncream on your child before school, they wear a hat/cap and bring a refillable drink bottle.

Last Day of School

The last day of school is Thursday, 23rd July. On this day the children will finish school at 1pm, please can you collect your child from their normal exit door. The children will have a grab bag lunch for their dinner. Children in year 6 will have their leaver's assembly that morning at 11am.

Nursery

Our nursery for September 2026 is now full. If anyone would like to apply for next September 2027, please call at the office to collect an application form.



New Classes for September and Transition Day

The children will spend the afternoon in their new classes on Thursday, 2nd July. The children will be moving to:

Oak - 1JW (Miss J Welsh)
Elm - 1JH (Mrs Hughes)
1JW - 2LP (Miss Pickering)
1JH - 2HO (Miss Oakley)
2LP - 3LG (Miss Gledhill)
2OH - 3NW (Miss N Welsh)
3LG - 4CH (Miss Hyland)
3NW - 4EC (Miss Capes)
4EC - 5OH (Miss Hill)
4AF - 5KS (Mrs Smith)
5KS - 6JC (Mr Chambers)
5CH - 6HW (Mrs Wright)

Swimming Gala

On Friday, 19th June a few of the children in year 5 and 6 represented the school in a Swimming Gala at Copley Baths. The children finished second place overall out of six schools. We are very proud of the children they were excellent with an outstanding performance.



Late Arrivals - New Signing in System

All children arriving late through the main entrance will need to be signed in by an adult. This is for safeguarding, so we know who is in the school building. Also children leaving school early will need to be signed out and proof of appointment shown to the office or sent via email.

Reminder school starts at **8:45am**. There are a lot of parents coming late through the main school entrance. Please can you ensure you are at school earlier, so your child can go in through their classroom entrance. When your child arrives late at school, he/she misses a vital part of the school day, as teaching starts immediately. Your child may also feel embarrassed at having to enter the classroom late. Attendance is expected to be no lower than 97%. Penalty warnings will be issued to families with persistent absence and lateness. We now have a new sign in system at the school office.



Stalybridge Carnival

This year we will be entering the Stalybridge Carnival on Sunday, 28th June. The theme is Eco (Endangered Animals). Letters have been sent to all parents. Children taking part are asked to dress up as an animal or maybe wear a mask. This year Stalybridge Carnival is celebrating 50 years, so they want to make it extra special. We hope a lot of children and parents will take part, as it is always a fun day. Please can children and parents arrive at Bailey Street for 12.15pm ready for the Carnival procession which starts at 1pm prompt.



Sport's Week and Sport's Days



This year we will be holding a sports week, w/c 6th July. Children can wear their school PE kit during the week and numerous activities have been planned to promote physical health, mental well-being, social skills, and lifelong habits. The activities are being provided by external sports groups who are giving up their time to share their expertise with our children, many of the activities offering something different. Key Stage 2 children have a climbing wall and archery (£10 payable through Arbor), there is well-being, netball, rugby and body weight exercises to name a few. On the Friday, 10th July we will be holding a whole school fun and creative sponsored event. Letters will be sent via email and the sponsor sheets will be sent home with the children.

Parents are invited to come and support their children for Sports Days on the following days:

Monday - Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) 2-3pm

Tuesday - Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 & 6) 2-3pm

Wednesday - Early Years (Nur and Rec) 9:15 - 10:15am

Thursday - Lower Key Stage 2 - (Years 3 & 4) 2-3pm

Checking your Emails

All communications from the school office are sent via email. Please can you ensure you check your emails daily, so you don't miss out on anything important e.g. trips, meals, cancelled sports clubs, reminders about non-uniform days etc. If you change your email address please let school know as soon as possible so we can update our system.

Toast Club

Reminder we sell toast in the hall every Friday from 8:20am. If your child would like plain piece of toast or with jam before school please come along. Toast is 10p per slice, all money goes towards resources for the children. **Please can I remind parents that this is not a drop off, you need to stay with your child until the bell goes at 8.45am.**

After School Clubs and Extra Curricular Activities



The after school clubs running until the end of term are:

Monday - Year 1 Rounders 3.15 to 4.15pm

Tuesday - Year 6 Rounders 3.15 to 4.15pm, Rock Steady during the school day

Wednesday - Year 5 Football Practice 3.15 to 4.15pm, choir 3.15 to 4pm.

Thursday - Year 5 Rounders 3.15 to 4.15pm, Chess and Sewing Clubs (lunchtime)

Friday - Year 4 Rounders Catch up swimming lessons, years 4 to 6

Birthday Treats

If you are sending birthday treats in for the class please ensure these are not lollies, only soft sweets or chocolate. Also can you check with your child's teacher if there are any children with allergies.

Holidays in Term Time

Holidays or time off in term time is not authorised. If your child needs time off during term time please collect a form from the office so we know how long they will be absent from school and the reason. Five days or more over the year will incur a fine. The fines are £80.00 per child per adult, so a family of four would be £320.00.



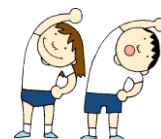
School Uniform Reminder

Reminder school uniform is **grey trousers/skirt, yellow polo shirt, maroon jumper/cardigan with the school logo**, unless they are **year 6** then it is **black jumper** with the school logo and **black shoes**. Parents will

be contacted if children are not wearing the correct uniform.

P.E Kit Reminder

School P.E kit is **plain black shorts/joggers and white t-shirt and black trainers**. Children should only wear their kit to school on their P.E Day. For after school clubs, children need to bring their P.E kit and change after school.



Nut Allergies

We have children in school with severe nut allergies. Please do not send your child into school with any nuts for snack or lunch e.g., Nutella sandwiches, as this could be life threatening to these children. Thank you for your cooperation.



Medical

If your child is diagnosed with a medical condition or asthma, please let the office know as soon as possible, so their records can be updated.

Medicines

We are unable to administer antibiotics/painkillers or any other medication to children. If your child is on a course of medication or needs painkillers, either yourself, family or friends are welcome to come to school to administer them.



Safeguarding Concerns

If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding issues and are concerned about a child, please send an email to head@gorsehall.tameside.sch.uk outlining your concern or telephone school and ask to speak to a member of the safeguarding team - Miss Flood, Miss Evans, Ms Suleman or Mrs Troy. You can also refer to the safeguarding information on our school website www.gorsehall.tameside.sch.uk to provide necessary information and guidance.

GDPR - The Data Protection policy is on our website www.gorsehall.tameside.sch.uk

Last Word -If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

Dates for the Fridge - please check every newsletter as dates may change.

5CH Class Assembly 9.15am

Thursday, 25th June

Stalybridge Carnival

Sunday, 28th June

Transition Move up Day

Thursday, 2nd July

Sport's week

WC 6th July

Sports Days see below

Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) 2-3pm

Monday, 6th July

Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 & 6) 2-3pm

Tuesday, 7th July

Early Years (Nur and Rec) 9:15 - 10:15am

Wednesday, 8th July

Lower Key Stage 2 - (Years 3 & 4) 2-3pm

Thursday, 9th July

Year 3 Blackpool Zoo Trip

Wednesday, 8th July

Year 5 Blackpool Zoo Trip

Thursday, 9th July

Bikeability Year 6

WC Monday, 13th July

Rocksteady Concert

Tuesday, 21st July

Leaver's Assembly 11am

Thursday, 23rd July

School Closes at 1pm

Thursday, 23rd July

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2026/2027

Summer Term 2026

School Closes 1pm

Thursday, 23rd July 2026

Autumn Term 2026

School Closed Inset

Tuesday, 1st September

School Reopens

Wednesday, 2nd September

School Closes

Friday, 23rd October

School Reopens

Monday, 2nd November

School Closes

Friday, 18th December

Spring Term 2027

School Closed

Monday, 4th January 2027

School Reopens

Tuesday, 5th January

School Closes

Friday, 12th February

School Reopens

Monday, 22nd February

School Closes

Thursday, 25th March

Summer Term 2027

School Reopens

Monday, 12th April

School Closed (May Day)

Monday, 3rd May

School Closes

Friday, 28th May

School Reopens

Friday, 14th June

School Closes

Friday, 23rd July