



Newsletter No. 7

Pride in ourselves, pride in our school, pride in our community.
Friday 7th June 2024



YEAR 1

For Arts around the World Week Year 1 learnt about Australia. We created dances inspired by the Aboriginal people of Australia.



YEAR 3

The Year Threes have been finding out about the South American country, Brazil, during Arts around the World Week. As well as looking at the geography of Brazil, they have been learning about the Amazon Rainforest and creating their own Dioramas. They have loved crafting the four layers of the rainforest and populating them with plants and animals.



FOREST SCHOOL

As part of the school's programme to give all year groups the opportunity to use the Outdoor Classroom, Sycamore and Chestnut will have seven afternoons completing forest school activities with Mrs Anderson. This week, they made their own plant pots from recycled materials and planted tomato seeds, told their version of the *True Story of the Three Little Pigs* and had time to explore the forest school environment.

PIRATE SHIP PLEA

Our Conker room would welcome donations of good condition toys. They would particularly like a pirate ship, if anyone has one they would like to donate. Thank you.

HAPPY SCHOOL BAG

Our next collection date is **Wednesday 26th June 2024**, with donations needing to arrive by 9.30am on this day. Look out for the collection bags in your child's book bag. However, if you wish to bag up donations now, any bags are accepted. Spare bags will be available at the school office.



YEAR 4 MASKS

Year 4 have been learning about Africa and how traditional African masks are worn in ceremonies and rituals across West, Central, and Southern Africa. They are used in events such as harvest celebrations, funerals, rites of passage, weddings, and coronations.



RECEPTION MATHS WORKSHOP

This morning Mrs Undrell led a Mastering Number at home workshop for the parents and carers of the children in reception. The purpose of the session was to share some of the things the children have been learning in school, increase parent's confidence in supporting their children at home and to participate in some games and activities that can be used at home. The workshop was extremely well attended and the children loved engaging in their maths with their adults.



SUMMER FETE

Gothic Mede Academy are holding their annual Summer Fete on Saturday 13th of July this year. It promises to be a fabulous day full of fun and fundraising for our fabulous school. We are looking for some help to make this day a success.

We are looking for donations of the following:

- Donations of teddies
- Donations of bottles (alcohol, soft drinks, prime, toiletries - anything in a bottle)
- Donations of tombola prizes (unwanted gift sets, puzzles and games in good condition)
- Donations of chocolate bars

If you have any of the above please drop into the school office between 1st - 12th July.

We are also looking for volunteers to man stalls on the day, this can even be for just one hour. Also, if you are a local crafter or have something to sell and would like to have a stall then please get in contact to Kerry.jane.beauchamp@gmail.com

Finally, we have some advertising boards provided by Gothic Estates. Just by having one outside your house will raise money for the school. Email the above address if you would like to help with this.



UPCOMING EVENTS

We have some exciting events coming up. Next Friday we have our bake sale, straight after school on the playground, come along and buy some delicious cakes and cookies, everything 75p. We also have our movie night on Friday 28th June, this is available for reception – Yr. 4. Please secure a place, by purchasing a ticket via ParentMail.

Golden Book

Children are nominated by Teaching Assistants and Teachers for a Principal's award which is entered in the Golden Book. The award can be for living one of our Values or special achievement. Sporting awards/achievements gained through a regular commitment to a club or group are also celebrated.

Ash	Albie	for his teamwork and collaboration when working with his peers, particularly at forest school.
Oak	Eddie	for his participation in our assembly on life cycles and for reciting the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.
Beech	Jack	for taking pride in his non-fiction information text about a Sycamore tree. Jack worked hard throughout the week to use beautiful imagery and strong sentence structure.
Elm	Harriet	for consistently using neat handwriting. Harriet writes on the line; her letter formation is fantastic and she always remembers to use punctuation.
Willow	Sophia	for always being ready to learn and for demonstrating our school values during lessons.
Maple	Hadley	for beautiful neat handwriting when writing his report about his visit to the British Museum. Well done Hadley.
Chestnut	Ayyub	for not only trying his best to live our values in the classroom but for positively encouraging others to do the same and showing fantastic teamwork.
Sycamore	Bahir	for his increasingly mature and hard-working attitude towards his learning.
Birch	Denys	for his determination when writing his diary entry, working hard to edit and improve his work.
Hazel	Amber	for the continuous dedication she gives to her learning and achievements. She is an outstanding role model for our values.

OTHER AWARDS TO MENTION

- Max (Willow) was awarded a football trophy for playing in a football tournament.
- Darcey (Beech) was awarded a football trophy for playing in a football tournament.
- Amber (Hazel) won a trophy and medal for winning her football tournament and being Star Player.
- George (Hazel) received a medal for playing in a football tournament in Holland representing Cambridge United FC.
- Dexter (Chestnut) was awarded a swimming certificate
- Mini Duke certificates - Bobby, Elijah and Molly
- Junior Duke certificates - Isla, Evie, Alex, Gabby, Lewis, Teddy, Mia, Ava-Rose.
- Certificate of Merit Junior Dukes - Ava-Rose.

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