

Meet the teacher

Chestnut Class

Mrs Lupton



Gothic Mede
Academy

*Pride in ourselves, pride in our school,
pride in our community*

Mrs Lupton - a bit of background

- Teaching is not my first career...I have worked in tourism, customer service and the Civil Service during which time I studied part time for a degree before completing my PGCE.
- This is my third year teaching at Gothic Mede
- Previous experience teaching year 5 at a middle school and year 1 at a lower school
- As Science lead my favourite areas of the curriculum are Science and maths
- Outside of school I swim a lot and my happy places are browsing in a bookshop, watching a musical or walking my dog over the hills

Our Year 3 team

- Mrs Oestreicher - Sycamore; Mrs Lupton - Chestnut
- LSAs - Miss DiGiovanni and Mrs Froud
- Midday supervisor - Mrs Curtis
- PPA - Monday Miss Bloomfield/Mr Mason

What we have planned for Year 3

- Science - Movement and Nutrition; Forces and Magnets; Rocks and Soil, Light and Shadows, Plant reproduction
- History - Stone Age, Iron Age, Bronze Age; Ancient Egyptians; Roman Britain
- Geography - Climate and Weather; Coasts
- Design and Technology - Castles; Pneumatic toys; Eating seasonally
- Computing - Coding; Spreadsheets; Email; Branching databases; Simulations

What we have planned for Year 3

- Faith Tour
- Mindfulness sessions with Will George
- Swimming
- Young Voices at O2 (optional - linked to club)
- Roman Day?

How your children are doing

- Children have settled incredibly well - showing mature attitude to year 3
- Thank you for encouraging the children to come to the classroom door by themselves.
- Please check water bottles (water only) and morning snack as well as packed lunch if they are not school dinners.

What's new at GMA this year?

- Continuing to increase pupil attainment
- Increase understanding of how we manage behaviour
- Increase our financial position
- Increase the use of parent voice as part of the school improvement process
- Create a multi-layered approach to good staff wellbeing



The
**Big
Listen**
Parent Voice Scheme
Gothic Mede Academy

Reading Books

- We aim to change books on Tuesday each week. We encourage you to reread the book with your child a number of times throughout the week. Ideally you should read with your child no less than three times a week and everyday if possible.
- Please record each time you read in their reading record diary. If no entries are made we will assume the book has not been read and it will not be changed.
- Please keep the book in your child's book bag so that it is available if an adult in school needs to listen to them read and for their logins

Reminders to leave you with

- PE days - Mondays outdoor PE with Premier Education; Wednesdays indoor PE
- Homework - maths and reading comprehensions alternate Fridays. Your child's half-termly spellings are stuck in their reading record. Please practise these spellings several times a week at home - individual words and in sentences. Spelling check - every Thursday. Scores will be marked on spelling sheet (if they have it with them).
- Attendance
- Uniform - see website

WINTER

- Trousers or Dress or Skirt or Culottes – all should be grey
- White School Logo Polo Shirt or White Polo Shirt or White Blouse
- *Navy School Logo Sweatshirt or *Navy School Logo Cardigan
- *Book Bag
- Plain Black Flat Shoes (No Training Shoes)

INDOOR

- *PE T-shirt (House Colour)
- Blue Shorts
- *Gothic Mede Academy jumper or cardigan
- *Kit Bag

OUTDOOR

As indoor and

- *Gothic Mede Academy jumper or cardigan
- Plain dark tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers

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Hair

It is school policy that hair that is long enough is tied back at all times. This is to ensure safety during lessons, especially PE, science, D&T and art. It also helps to reduce the transfer of head lice. Loose hair can easily become entangled and caught in equipment. Extreme fashion hair-cuts and colourants are not allowed. Hair accessories should only be as large as necessary and preferably in sympathy with our school's colours (navy and gold) or neutral.

Jewellery

For safety reasons, we ask that children do not wear jewellery in school. A child may wear a watch once they are learning to tell the time, but the school cannot accept responsibility for it. If your child has pierced ears, then please make sure they only wear one pair of plain studs to school.