



Newsletter No. 1

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

Friday 9th January 2026



WELCOME BACK

Thank you to you all for such a warm welcome this week. The weather has been cold and miserable but the children have been a ray of sunshine.

Having spent the week getting to know our pupils, staff, parents and wider school community, I can honestly say I am proud to be part of the Gothic Mede family.

The weather is set to warm up (slightly) next week so with the risk of ice reduced, we will return to normal morning drop off times which are 8:40 - 8:55. We will review this as appropriate over the term and inform you of any changes.

Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday.

Mrs Smith

Bromcom Update

Payments will go live on Bromcom on the 26th January. This includes dinner and other payments like trips. Please ensure that you have downloaded the My Child at School app as mentioned in previous correspondence. If you need a new link emailing, please phone the school office on 01462 732002 or email GMA-Office@bestacademies.org



LIBRARY

Following the children's library lessons, please remind your child to return their book each fortnight, so they are able to continue borrowing books and using this wonderful resource.

In addition, if you have any books at home which are in good condition and you would like to donate them, our school library is always happy to accept books! Thank you.

SPRING TERM DIARY DATES

Tuesday 23 rd January	Mastering Number Workshop - Reception
Friday 6 th February	Numbers Day
Friday 6 th February	Year 2 Assembly 2:30pm – parents welcome
Tuesday 10 th February	SEN Coffee Morning 9am - 10:30am
Friday 13 th February	Last day of term
16 th – 20 th February	HALF TERM
Monday 23 rd February	Children return to school
Monday 23 rd February	Young Voices Concert
Tuesday 24 th February	Pupil Learning Conferences 4:30–7:00pm
Thursday 26 th February	Pupil Learning Conferences 4:00–6:30pm
Monday 2 nd March	World Book Day – Acorn A
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day – Acorn B, Reception & Years 1-4
Friday 6 th March	Tea with the Head 8:40am
9 th – 13 th March	Science Week
Tuesday 10 th March	Mother's Day Breakfast
Thursday 12 th March	Mother's Day Breakfast
Thursday 19 th March	Year 4 Assembly 2:30pm – parents welcome
Wednesday 25 th March	Year 3 Assembly 2:30pm – parents welcome
Thursday 26 th March	Reception Assembly 2:30pm – parents welcome
Friday 27 th March	END OF TERM

FROM THE KITCHEN

Thursday 15th January is our Census Day

On this day, the government counts how many children at Gothic Mede have a school dinner. This information is used to calculate funding allocations. If more children have a school meal on census day, it helps ensure the school gets the maximum funding entitlement. We would encourage everyone to have a school meal on this day, you can send your child with a packed lunch as a back-up if you think this is needed.

If your child is entitled to FSMs please use this link to order a meal for them:

<https://forms.gle/FagWCG5L5ZC1jeAF9>

Dinner payments for next week are now on ParentMail, for you to order and pay for your child's school meal.

Census Day Dinner:

Pork sausage or vegan sausage

Chips & baked beans or peas

Chocolate orange cookie or fruit pot.