



# Newsletter No. 2

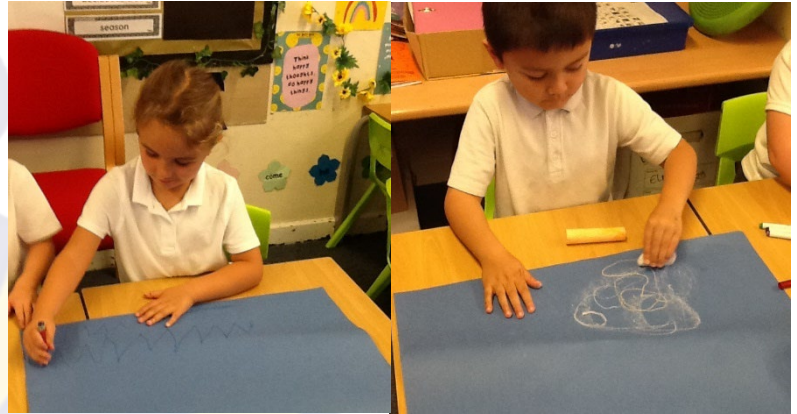
Pride in ourselves, pride in our school, pride in our community.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September



## YEAR 4

It's been a busy start to the year in Rowan Class. We have been exploring rainforests in English, history and art. In science, we have been learning about the digestive system. This week we were identifying the different types of teeth and their function.



## YEAR 1

For art this week Year 1 practiced drawing different types of lines using music as a stimulus.

**Transfer to middle school and Reception Sept 2026 applications are now open. The closing date to apply is January 15<sup>th</sup>.**

### How to make your application

If you live within Central Bedfordshire, you can either apply:

- online at [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions) or
- complete a paper application; this can be downloaded from our website

## THE BIG LISTEN

Gothic Mede Academy has community as an important part of our strapline, Pride in ourselves, Pride in our school, Pride in our community. We very much value the contribution of parents and carers to improving processes and practice, and driving school improvement.

This academic year (2025-2026), we will be holding a wide variety of listening activities so that we can get a true understanding of the views of our community of parents and carers.

Some events will be new, and some will be existing events which will seek to incorporate an element of seeking parent/carer voice. Please look out for the logo, and for opportunities for feedback. More information will follow.



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

## DANCE SQUAD

Please support our dance squad who have been working incredibly hard in preparation for their upcoming dance show. They will be performing at the Gordon Craig Theatre on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept, tickets can be purchased here:

<https://everyonetheatre.com/whats-on/bx-star/>



LIGHTS. CAMERA. DANCE!  
**20 SEP 25**

## 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.

<b>Ash</b>	Teddy-Arthur for listening to the grown-ups, following instructions and forming new friendships as he settled into Ash Class this week.
<b>Oak</b>	Marcello for being an exploring elephant and giving lots of activities a go.
<b>Beech</b>	Finley for his fantastic teamwork and enthusiasm in our maths lesson when sorting 3D shapes.
<b>Elm</b>	Hallie for living the value of respect and responsibility during her first week in Year 1. Hallie has been so helpful and tried her best during learning.
<b>Willow</b>	Macie for showing herself to be an excellent role model to others in her first week of Year 2, living all of her school values and being ready to learn at all times.
<b>Maple</b>	Grayson for a super start in Year 2, following the school values and class expectations with great pride and determination.
<b>Chestnut</b>	Roseanna for standing out as an excellent role model by starting the new school year fully engaged with all aspects of her learning and making her best effort in all she does.
<b>Sycamore</b>	Lara for her mature attitude on returning to school and the responsibility she has taken for her learning. Fabulous start to Year 3 Lara!
<b>Rowan</b>	Ioli for her tremendous attitude to all aspects of school life and her learning.



## CELEBRATIONS

- Matilda (Beech) – Awarded a certificate for taking part in the summer reading challenge.
- Darcey (Chestnut) – Awarded a player of the match football trophy
- Nikol (Chestnut) – Awarded a certificate for the reading challenge and she won a football medal!
- Oscar (Chestnut) – Achieved red belt in marital arts alongside a certificate.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>29<sup>th</sup> Sept – 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct</b>	International Week
<b>Wed 1<sup>st</sup> October</b>	Individual School Photos
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Harvest Festival

## FROM THE KITCHEN

Next week, we are on Week 3 of the menu.  
<https://www.gothicmede.org.uk/schoolmeals>

Parents of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils, if you have opted for your child to have free school meals, they need to remain on them for the term. If you would like to change to a packed lunch, please inform the kitchen.