



Consultation on the BEST Admissions policy Sept 19

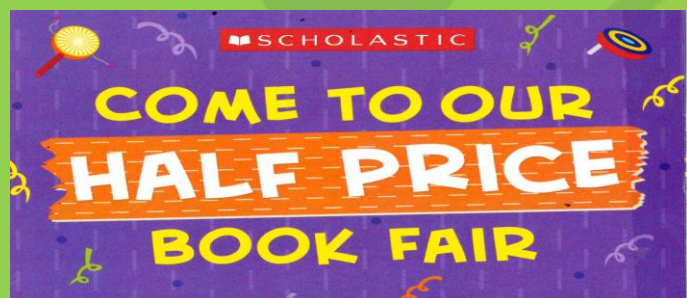
There is a six week consultation on proposed changes to the admissions policy which started on Thursday 9th November. Further details can be accessed on our website [here](#)

School Council Cake Sale

Thank you so much for supporting our cake sale last week. Your kind generosity in making and purchasing cakes allowed every child to purchase a cake (or two!!) we were then able to have another sale after school. The total money raised for Cancer Research UK is £155.06. Wow.....!!!

Scholastic Half Price Book Fair

We will be having a half price Book Fair to raise funds for our school. It is taking place under the canopy outside Oak class 3.30 – 4.00pm from Thurs 23rd November to Tuesday 28th November. You can enter the Book Fair via Oak's gate once the class has been dismissed. Anyone buying a book will be entered into a draw and 5 lucky winners will receive a £5 book voucher each.



Dessert with School Dinners

When we met with parents to talk about school dinners, it was suggested that we think about what desserts we offer. We use these dishes to get children eating healthy foods (such as high fruit content puddings) but we know that parents may have different views on this.

Please can you let us know what you think by answering the few questions in this survey?

[Dessert with School Dinners Survey](#)

They should only take 1 or 2 minutes to fill in. We really want the parents of every child who would be affected by any potential changes to contribute their ideas, as well as any other parents who would like to help.

Team Points

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| Pix – Red | 773 |
| Hiz – Blue | 751 |
| Purwell – Yellow | 642 |
| Ivel – Green | 636 |

ECO-Council

We have a new Eco initiative starting in school. There will be an Eco book swap cupboard located on our playground. Do you have any unwanted books which are in good condition? If so please can they be given to Mrs Roberts before school. They will then be placed in a cupboard ready to be part of our book swap. Once the cupboard is full then the book swap will start. The idea is that you bring a book that your child has finished with and you swap it for a book in the Eco book cupboard. You can then keep the book you chose. IE One book in and one book out. (We will also be collecting adult readers so that adults can benefit from this idea as well.)



Weekly Kitchen Payments

The weekly payment option for school dinners, morning snacks and lunchtime drinks will go live every Wednesday at noon and will run until 6pm on Sundays. If you miss this payment window you can still send your money in with your child to put in the box in their class on Mondays.

Elm Class Teacher Appointment

Before half term we appointed a class teacher to take over Elm Class in January after Miss Howley leaves Gothic Mede at the end of this term.

I am very pleased to be able to inform you now that Mrs Lisa Oestreicher (previously of Maple Class) will be returning to Gothic Mede Academy in January to take over Elm Class.

Mrs Oestreicher is an excellent teacher who will enrich the school with her return and provide the children of Elm Class with the best education and personal support for the children that a parent could hope for.

Golden Book

Children are nominated by Teaching Assistants and Teachers for a Head Teacher'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.

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| Ash | Francis Peach | for being a 'proud peacock' with his reading and writing. |
| Oak | Ava Crow | for excellent progress in phonics. Ava is now able to blend words. |
| Beech | Chloe Lambert-Huntley | for her positive attitude towards her maths lessons. |
| Elm | Ryan Tomkins | for living the value of perseverance in his maths. |
| Maple | Gerald Graham | for excellent maths presentation and taking pride in his work. |
| Willow | James Crawford | for coming in to school with increased confidence and always being ready to learn. |
| Chestnut | Alim Aydin | for his independence, especially in maths this week. |
| Sycamore | Grace Lee Jones | for living the value of quality in maths. She has made a great improvement. |
| Hazel | Charlie Newman | for great improvement in phonics and taking care with handwriting. |
| Birch | Grace Denoronha | for her commitment to learning and excellent attitude to all aspects in school life. |

Celebration Assembly

Tag Rugby

Olly Beedle

Year 4 Trophy

Hotshots

Poppy Mcgregor
Jason Whelpdale

Player of the Month – Year 2
Player of the Month – Year 3&4

Ballet

Charlotte Philpot

Ballet Rosette

Tai Kwon-Do

Jason Whelpdale
Madison Judge
Kai Whelpdale
Marco Cataldo
Adam Conway
Finley Chastney
Sophia Pang

Gold & Bronze Medal
Gold & Bronze Medal
Gold & Bronze Medal
Gold & Participation Medal
Gold & Participation Medal
Bronze & Participation Medal
Participation Medal

Misc

George Dainton

Invested as a Beaver

Book Club

The Book Club will be in the Library on Wednesday lunchtimes as follows:

22nd November Birch
29th November Hazel
6th December Chestnut
13th December Sycamore

Brand new books are available to purchase at half price. Most are priced between £2 and £4. All proceeds go towards new books for the school.

If you are happy for your child to choose a book please send this money in a named envelope on the day. Please note that you are under no obligation to buy.

Bags 2 School

Our collection date is the morning of Tuesday 5th December, so can all donations please be brought in by the end of school on the 4th December. Please make a note of the items that we can and can't collect to make our sorting process quicker. Thanks in advance.