



This Month's Value is Commitment

A willingness to give your time and energy to something that you believe in, or a promise or firm decision to do something.

At school we will be thinking about different groups that we belong to and how we put time and effort into these. We will look at different professions and athletes and how these people show their commitment to their chosen role. In particular we will focus on the challenges they may have been faced with and how they could have been overcome.

At home you can talk to your children about what is important and what time and effort they can put into these things to live the value of commitment.

An example of commitment already seen at school this week is the time and effort that a child in Year 4 committed to solving a maths problem by producing 2 pages of calculations. It required a lot of working out! You might like to try it yourselves!

In the number square below, each horizontal row and vertical column totals 1,200.

Find the missing numbers.

Is there more than one solution?

897		
		832
	762	

Thought of the month: "What you put into it is what you get out of it" Mo Farah.

Team Points

Pix – Red	518
Hiz – Blue	506
Purwell – Yellow	487
Ivel – Green	419

Attendance

Congratulations to Hazel class for the best attendance in October. The top three classes for attendance in October, together with their percentages, were:

Hazel	- 99.14%
Maple	- 97.19%
Oak	- 96.88%

Book Club

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

8 th November	Elm
15 th November	Beech
22 nd November	Birch
29 th November	Hazel
6 th December	Chestnut
13 th 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.

Collection & Drop Off

Again, we have had reports of erratic driving around the school. Please drive slowly and adhere to any speed limits around the school perimeter. Also, when reversing please be mindful of children and parents around you. **The safety of our children is of utmost importance to us so please adhere to these rules.**

Parent Voice

We value your feedback and encourage you to register and complete the Parent View Questionnaire at Ofsted's website so that we can get a complete picture of what you think the school does well and where we need to improve. Click the link below and follow the instructions. If you have any problems accessing the website or completing the questionnaire please see a member of our office staff who will help you.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

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.

Ash	Isla Sharp	for her fantastic knowledge about our topic of the body.
Oak	Phoenix Wheeler	for coping with the class routines and trying hard with his work.
Beech	Mia Sutch	for living our value of responsibility and enthusiastically learning her spellings.
Elm	Lewis Cripps	for his positive attitude towards learning and always working hard in all of his subjects.
Maple	Freddie Mouratsing	for great perseverance and enthusiasm in maths.
Willow	Caitlin Roberti	for always living our values and working so hard in Maths.
Chestnut	Freya Bradford	for her determination in Maths and 'light bulb' moment when she realised she understood column addition.
Sycamore	Ellis Francis	for improved effort in English and Maths.
Hazel	Evie Wells	for her positive attitude to learning and hard work across the curriculum. She is also a very helpful member of the class.
Birch	Faith Allen	for your positive attitude to your learning in Maths.

Absence

If your child will not be in school, you must inform the school by 10.00am on their first day of absence. You can inform us through your Parentmail account, telephoning the school office (01462 732002) or e-mailing the school office (GothicMede-Info@bestacademies.org.uk), clearly stating the reason for your child's absence. If you need to make a request for term time absence for your child then you must complete a Leave of Absence form which can be obtained from the school office. This must be completed 6 weeks prior to the date that has been requested for leave.

Celebration Assembly

Football

Amelia Farrow	Girl of the Game for Stotford Juniors Football Club
Jake Cockrane	Man of the Match for Arlesey Town Football Club

Swimming

Caitlin Roberti	Starfish Level 2
Madison Judge	Learn to Swim Stage 4
Louis Maria	Five-Day Swim School Stage 4
Elodie Maria	Five-Day Swim School Duckling 4

Coming up this month...

08.11.17	Reception Open Evening - 6.00pm
10.11.17	Year 4 Assembly (Parents Invited) 9.05am – 9.35am
12.11.17	Remembrance Service at War Memorial (tbc)
13.11.17	Anti Bullying Week
17.11.17	Children in Need
18.11.17	PFGM Big Christmas Quiz (Adults only) 7.00 – 11.00pm
23.11.17	PFGM Movie Night (Kids only) 4.00pm - 6.00pm
24.11.17	Music Assembly 9:05 – 9:35am