



This Month's Value is Respect

- A feeling of regard for the qualities and achievements of oneself and others
- A caring and appreciative attitude towards the world in general

In school we will discuss the importance of caring for and respecting our school and everyone in it. We will emphasise the need to think before we speak and treat others as we would wish to be treated. It all starts with self-respect so we will encourage pupils to look after themselves by getting plenty of sleep, exercise and healthy food as well as taking care of their own property and respecting possessions belonging to others.

Thought for the month: 'One of the most sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say.'

At home you could remind each other of the need to show respect in order to live a calmer, happier life. It would be a good idea to make a family list of all people and things which should be cared for and respected every day eg. each other, pets, toys, furniture, the garden etc... Encourage the children to respect their own property by looking after it at home and at school (it helps if it's all named!) Make sure that toys are put away, pets are fed and responsibilities undertaken willingly.

Father's Day Breakfast

Father's Day breakfast will be on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th June. Both days will be in two half hour sessions, 8.00 – 8.30am and then 8.30 – 9.00am. The breakfast will be a bacon roll or vegetarian option of a Quorn sausage in a roll. Tea/coffee will be supplied for adults and an apple cuplet for the children. **You will receive one payment per family via your eldest child only for you to book all of your breakfasts required.** You will need to purchase one for yourself and one for each child. If dads are unable to attend then a grandfather, uncle or other father figure can attend instead.

Dad + 1 child - order 2, Dad + 2 children - order 3
Dad + 3 children - order 4

Please make payment via your Parentmail shop under events. **The payment option will automatically default to 4 so please make sure you adjust to the quantity required and check you have booked the correct date/time before you checkout.** The payment option will go live at 8.30pm (Evening) on Tuesday 8th May and closes at noon on Wednesday 16th May. There are limited numbers per session so please book early to avoid disappointment. Late orders will not be accepted after the payment option closes as the kitchen will have placed their order.

Team Points

Pix	378	Purwell	337
Ivel	373	Hiz	275

Attendance

Congratulations to Willow class for the best attendance in April. The top three classes for attendance in April, together with their percentages, were:
Willow – 99.70% Birch – 99.22% Beech – 99.07%

PFGM

Many thanks to everyone that attended our Quiz night last weekend, it was a great night which saw the Glindon All Stars take the trophy and retain their title. We successfully raised £429 profit, which is a great boost to our fundraising efforts for this year. If any parents have access to match funding through their work, it would be great if you could contact the PFGM as we still have our Summer Fair to look forward to on Sat 7th July 11-3pm.



Father's Day Shop Flyers have gone out this week, please make sure all payments are made by Friday 25th May. Please complete your details if you are available to help with the shop on the 12-14th June. Finally, don't forget to put the date of our **Summer Fair in your diaries, Saturday 7th July 11-3pm.** There will be food, entertainment, stalls and games with fun for everyone!

Staffing changes

Over the next few months you may notice some teacher adverts and staffing changes!
I'm pleased to report that Michael Warlow will be stepping into the role of Acting Vice Principal during Mrs Davis's maternity absence. Mr Warlow impressed the panel with his desire to maintain stable leadership and deliver the best for the children of Gothic Mede, as he has already done so in his roles on the senior leadership team. I'm sure that you will join me in congratulating Mr Warlow and wishing him the best for the coming months. For the last 3 weeks of the summer term, the teaching of Oak class will also be in safe hands with Mrs Lewis and Mrs Bircumshaw covering the class.

In the new school year we have 4 posts to fill. We can happily report that Mrs Reynolds is the latest member of staff to have the fortune of expecting a child so we will be looking for another teacher from October half term. Unfortunately, I have to report that Mrs Golding will be leaving us at the end of this academic year to concentrate on returning to full health after a very difficult year. Mrs Golding is a wonderful teacher who will be greatly missed at Gothic Mede. We will also be looking to appoint teachers to cover the new Vice Principal arrangements.

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.

Freya Newlands	for being a 'Persevering Parrot' in phonics and reading.
Seren Bradford	for trying hard to write interesting sentences and for being ready to learn.
Lucien Pearce	for working hard to write his name correctly.
George Clifford	for making great progress in counting in fives and with his reading at home and at school.
Cindy Xu	for settling in very well and producing beautiful artwork in RE.
Sarah-Rose Collins-Boyede	for living our school values and showing pride in her work.
Sergio Palmeri	for his enthusiasm in maths. He challenged himself to find as many equivalent fractions as he could.
Tommy Higgs	for showing a growth mindset in maths by overcoming obstacles by practising skills.
Emily Powell	for showing great kindness and consideration towards others during the year 4 stay at PGL.
Nicole Henniker	for consistently choosing to challenge herself in maths.

Celebration Assembly

Football

Cameron Manggos Man of the Match
Arlesey Town FC

Swimming

Matilda Kapp 10 Metres
Olivia Cross Stage 2
Amy Hayes Duckling Award 3 & 4

Gymnastics

Olivia Cross Level 8
Ivy Williams Premier Sports medal

Cricket

Jamie Edwards Man of the Match

Hotshots

Josiah Rowlands Best Match Play –
Easter Camp

Dance

Amy Bosustow ISTD Under 8 Dance
Test 1 medal

Tag Rugby

Milo Oetgen Participation Medal

Premier Performing Arts

Matilda Kapp Excelled at Streetdance

Other

Jack Auburn Completed 2.5km
Bubble Rush 2018

PGL Room Point Winners

The winners for this year's PGL was room 8.

Seth Anderson
Rudi Mouratsing
Oliver Sheehan
Thomas Wilkie

Book Club

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

9th May Hazel
16 May Willow
23rd May Maple

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.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coffee Morning

Don't forget - Mrs Sugden (SENCo) and Mrs Milligan (Family Support Worker) will be hosting our first SEND coffee morning in the school hall on Tuesday 8th May. Please come along and enjoy a cuppa and a biscuit. The morning will start at 9.00 am and finish at 10.00 am.