



Design Technology

In DT Sycamore class were celebrating Diwali and building on their learning about shadows in science by creating shadow puppets of the Diwali story. The children designed their puppets and worked out how they could incorporate a moving mechanism. Fantastic problem solving skills shown by all children!



French

In French today Sycamore did their first writing in French! The children drew some lovely pictures of their families in Halloween costumes and not only labelled them in French but then challenged themselves to write some sentences about their families. You would not believe they have only been learning French for half a term!



Diary Dates for November

- 7/11/2019 Open Evening 5.00pm to 6.30pm
- 8/11/2019 Year 4 Assembly (Parents Invited)
- 10/11/2019 Remembrance Service War Memorial 10:40 at War Memorial.
- 11/11/2019 – 15/11/2019 Anti Bullying Week
- 15/11/2019 Children in Need – Non uniform/wear something spotty.
- 15/11/2019 PFGM Halloween Disco
- 16/11/2019 PFGM Quiz night
- 19/11/2019 Music Assembly 9.05am
- 20/11/2019 PFGM Movie night
- 22/11/2019 Music Assembly 9.05am
- 26/11/2019 PFGM Happy Bag collection.

Open Evening

Just a reminder that next Thursday is our Open Evening for prospective, new and existing parents. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.



Gothic Mede Academy

Open Evening




Thursday 7th November 2019

5:00-6:30pm

Everyone welcome!




We look forward to seeing you all!

On show: every classroom open; our NEW music room; our NEW library; school dinner tasters; meet all of our teachers, our SENCO and our Family Support Worker, cheerleaders, GMA choir



Move to Primary/Secondary Education

Gothic Mede Academy does support the move to primary-secondary education in the local cluster. However, it does not support a staggered approach to this. We believe that a single and fully-co-ordinated move is in the best interests of all children, delivering openness, transparency and choice. We are keen to hear whether you support us and agree with a single, fully-co-ordinated move. Please would you click on the link: <https://forms.gle/Kc2qrWT4HKBETdtJ6> and complete the single question feedback form. Central Bedfordshire's consultation can be responded to at www.schoolsforthefuture.co.uk

Thanks very much for giving your time to do this.

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 for a special achievement. Sporting awards/achievements gained through a regular commitment to a club or group are also celebrated.

Ash	Bonnie	for knowing the names of 2D shapes and talking about their properties.
Oak	Rose	for being a 'Go for it Gorilla' when learning about 2D shapes.
Beech	Ollie	for fantastic recollection of number bonds to ten and problem solving.
Elm	Sophie	for her enthusiasm and positive approach to all aspects of school life.
Willow	Eleanor	for her positive attitude to learning.
Maple	Oakley	for his detailed diary entry about The Great Fire of London.
Chestnut	Cassie	for effort in spelling and for getting along well with her peers.
Sycamore	Barney	for making new friends and having a great 'have-a-go' attitude.
Hazel	Bella	for her confidence and positive attitude to learning.
Birch	Tom	for showing a genuinely caring and thoughtful approach to friendships and for being so supportive of his peers.



Celebrations Assembly

Swimming

Lucy Smith	Maple	Level 4
Ava	Elm	5 metres and Level 1

Football

Darci	Birch	Girl of the Game
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Gymnastics

Abigail	Birch	Premier Star trophy
Sophia	Chestnut	Certificate - teamwork

Other

Phoebe	Maple	Grade 1 - Skating
Sophia	Chestnut	Go active certificate

This week, Tidy Ted goes to Hazel class, who have worked hard to make tidy changes in the classroom.

Leaving staff

I am sorry to announce that two teachers, Mrs Kumar and Ms Smith, have been offered opportunities for professional development at other settings after Christmas so will be leaving Gothic Mede Academy. Congratulations to both of them but we are sorry to see them go as they have both contributed so much to the children of Gothic Mede and to the ethos of the school. Our priority is obviously providing consistency and high quality teaching to the children of Willow and Chestnut Classes so we will be recruiting excellent teachers to fill these vacancies as soon as possible.

Children in Need

Children in Need this year is on Friday 15th November. Children are invited to wear non uniform – something spotty, in return for a suggested contribution of £1. Please note all children that have school dinners will have a different pudding on this day to what is advertised and that will be a 'Pudsey Biscuit'.

Halloween Disco



There is still availability to pay for your child to attend Halloween Disco. Please pay through Parentmail shop or drop the cash into School reception.