

# THE GESHER GAZETTE

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The Bridge

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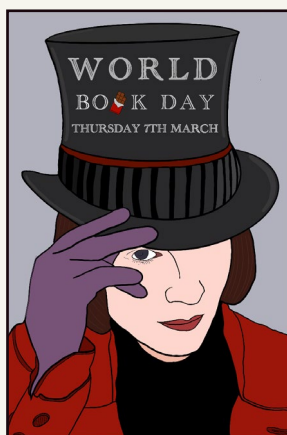
## World Book Day Fun

This week we celebrated World Book Day in true Gesher fashion - dressing up and exploring books that inspire us! This year we have chosen to look at a school-wide book "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory". The day was filled with delicious activities such as chocolate tasting, fizzy drink creations, creating our own golden eggs, a chocolate river OT course and ending with a scavenger hunt to find the golden ticket! Each classroom was based on a different character of the story and students were read an extract of the book before watching the clip from the film and then completing an activity based around it. We explored our newly designed reading corner areas and spent time reading with our teachers and looking at our new library books. These books will be used across the school and are based on the student's current interests along with books that can support different levels and types of readers. It was lovely to see the students so engaged in such a fabulous day and the costumes were once again unbelievable - special shout out to the teaching team who



also went above and beyond with their outfits once again! We are also incredibly proud of and lucky to have our year 9 student Bea who designed and created our World Book Day posters this year. It's been a joy seeing our

students embrace reading this year and to see them exploring new genres and styles of books. Thank you once again to everyone who participated and we're so excited to see what next year brings!



### Kodesh Corner

The Chief Rabbi and the United Synagogue have designated this Shabbat as the 'Shabbat for Israel' as an expression of love, commitment, support and solidarity for the people of Israel and the hostages. Communities will be organising themed events and hosting guest speakers, including Israeli soldiers

and family members of the hostages. To be involved, please be in touch with your local (US) community to see their Shabbat program. May this Shabbat enable us to all come together and pray for a safe return of the hostages to their families and a quick and peaceful resolution to what is happening in Israel. Amen. If you have not yet done so, please complete this form - <https://bit.ly/4a3Ndnw> Shabbat Shalom.

### Therapy Corner

What an amazing first Family Support Coffee Morning! There was coffee, a few tears and lots of laughter. Having a safe space is crucial for a SEND parent or carer, and I'm delighted that Gesher is now able to provide this service. It was a pleasure to meet all of you who attended, and I hope to see more of you at the next coffee morning. We'll be looking to keep it as a safe space to share for now as per your request but we plan to invite outside speakers in the future. Remember, you all rock! Best regards, Miss Nicky (FSW)

