

THE GESHER GAZETTE

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The Bridge

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School Council Results

We're thrilled to announce the results of our recent School Council elections! After a spirited ballot on Monday, Bea has been elected as our new President, with Bobbie stepping in as Vice President. Raf and Liam will serve as joint secretaries, bringing fresh ideas and enthusiasm to the team. In the lead-up to voting day, students showcased their creativity by prerecording speeches and designing campaign posters, highlighting their commitment to making our school a better place. Each class also voted for their own representative, ensuring every voice is heard. The School Council will be holding its "Meeting of the Minds" every fortnight, where members will brainstorm and plan exciting events, including a whole school gathering each term. Additionally, we will host drop-in sessions once a term for class representatives to share feedback and

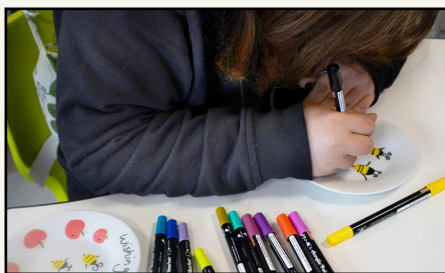


discuss ways to enhance our school community. Stay tuned for more updates as we work together to create an even more vibrant school environment!

Welcome to our Student Voice

Hi I'm Bea, I am super happy I get the opportunity of being the School Council president! The reason I wanted this role, was so that I could show that everyone's voices are

important and to be able to be there for anyone to come talk to. I am very appreciative of being voted into this role and I am looking forward to seeing what things I get to do.



Therapy Corner

One of the biggest social challenges for children and young people in today's world is how to navigate using smart phones and social media. Whilst we do a lot of work with the students in school around this topic, this is also a new experience for us as the adults

supporting them, as we did not have this technology when we were growing up. With that in mind, please see the attached link to a recent PaJes Wellbeing talk hosted by our former school EP, Dr Gemma Handelsman, entitled "Our Children and Smartphones": <https://pajes.org.uk/wellbeing/for-parents/parent-resources/>.

Kodesh Corner

Shana Tova (Happy New Year). We hope you had a sweet and enjoyable Rosh Hashanah. The students enjoyed some great Enrichment activities, including making sweet challah, decorating apple and honey plates, Outfit designing, blindfolded sweet food tasting and card making. Now we look ahead to Yom Kippur (Day of Repentance) and Sukkot (Booth/Hut Festival) within the next week and resources for these chagim (festivals) can be found [here](#). The school year is very reflective of these 3 chagim - we start with a lot of enthusiasm and positivity about the year ahead; then the hard work begins and we continuously review our actions to improve and try to become the best version of ourselves; and finally we show how much we have grown as an individual and how our relationships have thrived as a result. May we use this opportunity before Yom Kippur (and everyday) to truly reflect on what positive foundations we want to build upon and have them continuously at the forefront of our minds to enable ourselves and our relationships to thrive. Wishing you a G'mar Chatima Tova and Tzom Kal (May you be inscribed in the book of life and wishing you an easy fast).