

GOLDINGTON GREEN ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

As we approach the end of another school year I want to take a moment to thank you, our parents and carers, for your continued support, encouragement and partnership through the year. Your commitment to your children and to our school community makes such a difference, and we are deeply grateful.

This year has brought many moments of joy, growth and achievement. From the excitement of nativity plays and sports days to the quiet triumphs of personal progress and newfound friendships, each child's journey has added to the rich tapestry of our school life. It has been a privilege to watch them flourish, to celebrate their successes and to support them in moments of challenge.

I would also like to express my sincere thanks to our dedicated staff team, who pour so much love, energy and expertise into everything they do. Whether nurturing curiosity in the classroom, leading creative well-being activities, or simply offering a listening ear, they embody the values we hold dear.

As we prepare to say farewell to our Year 6 pupils, we send them off with pride and hope. They leave us not just with knowledge, but with kindness, resilience and confidence to make their mark on the world.

Wishing you all a joyful summer break filled with rest, laughter and special moments with loved ones.

We look forward to welcoming you back in September, ready to begin another chapter together.

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Mrs C Skingsley
Headteacher

End of School Year

The last day of term is Friday 18th July.

**The children return to school on
Tuesday 2nd September 2025**

Fitness Fortnight—A report by Skye, Beech Class

During fitness fortnight we enjoyed doing many things including: an inflatable obstacle course; nerf maze; zorbs; a climbing wall; an inflatable dart board; go karts; and the golden mile. The thing that I enjoyed the most was the inflatable obstacle course because it was fun racing all the teachers. Overall everyone enjoyed it.

Artist of the Month

The artist of the month for July is Andy Warhol.

Could you find out about Andy Warhol and perhaps you might like to produce artwork in the style of this artist.



The End of an Era

From September 2025 it has been decided that we will not produce a monthly Newsletter in the same format. The way of communicating with Parents/Carers has been changing over the last few years. Class teachers email out information including upcoming events to their parents and of course our website contains information including recent letters home, school policies and write ups of recent events and can be easily accessed by anyone. The school office also sends out information using Groupcall via SMS and email. With this in mind please make sure that we have your up to date mobile number and email address.

Reminder of Adult behaviour Policy on our website

At GGA we believe that relationships between the school, parental community and the wider area should be positive and that activities and events organised throughout the school year should complement this philosophy.

Whilst we believe that the vast majority of parents, carers and visitors are very supportive of school and very much model exemplary behaviour whilst on the school site, very occasionally behaviour falls below this standard. We believe that all members of our school community should have the right to attend our school without fear of aggression, violence or abuse.

Violent, abusive or aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated on the school premises or via any communication to or from school. Any occurrences will be referred to a senior member of staff immediately. If a visitor, parent or carer has an issue with the behaviour of a member of the school community whilst on the school site they should refer this issue to a senior member of staff immediately.

We expect parents/carers to behave in a kind, respectful and peaceful way outside of school and in line with the laws of the UK. We advise adults to deal with adults, rather than dealing directly with children (other than their own children).

Year 6 Residential to Liddington

A report by Lola, Elm Class and Emily, Beech Class

We had a great time at PGL Liddington this year. The trapeze was lots of fun, everyone enjoyed the thrill of jumping into the air trying to catch the bar. The sensory trail was interesting because you had to use all of your senses without your sight. Abseiling was both nerve racking and exciting, while you descended down the 30ft tower. The thrill of giant swing was enjoyed by everyone. Raft building was lots of fun because we could splash and sink other boats. The zip line was a fun way to end the trip, it was funny seeing Miss Coluccello go upside down on it. The food at PGL was really good especially the lasagne. In the evenings we did game shows such as the ultimate gameshow and balloon splash where Mr Bates poured a bucket of water over Katilaya after the teachers got attacked with water balloons.



Staff News

We are sad to be saying goodbye to several members of staff at the end of term. **Mr Liam Beaumont**, Teacher, **Mrs Mabel Agbenorto**, Teacher, **Miss Hayley Fox**, TA and **Mrs Victoria Pottruff**, Cover Supervisor. They are all moving on to pastures new and we wish them all the best in their future ventures.

On a happier note we will be welcoming 3 new members of staff in September. **Mrs Rebecca Herrick**, Teacher, **Mr Daniel Kilgallen**, Teacher and **Mrs Nikki Holt**, Preschool TA. We hope they will be very happy here at Goldington Green Academy.

Finally, we would like to say congratulations to **Miss Alex Pugh**, Assistant Headteacher, who is getting married in August. She will become **Mrs Alex Krol**. We wish both her and her new husband a wonderful day and a very happy and long marriage.

Library News

We have lots to share with you as we approach the end of another school year.

At the start of summer term we launched the **GGA Book Train**, a brand new library newsletter celebrating all things books and reading.

We set up a **Book Fairy Factory** in early June, thanks to our dedicated team of Book Fairies and the generous donation of our wonderful school community. We hope you enjoyed finding, reading and talking about books hidden around school!

Y3 attended an exciting Booktastic event at University of Bedfordshire, with author **Alex Falase-Koya** who talked about his superhero Marv and his super suit powered by kindness and imagination. The children got to design their own super suit, ask him questions, and each received a copy of his book!

And finally, a friendly reminder that all school library books must be returned before the end of term. Children can carry on reading all through summer by visiting their local library. It's free to join and there are lots of fun activities too including the Summer Reading Challenge, Lego Club, Rhyme time, Story time and more. Visit www.bedford.gov.uk/libraries for more information.

Happy reading!



Young Writer's Competition

Some children recently took part in a Young Writer's Competition showcasing their creativity and talent. We are incredibly proud to share that the work of 38 children have been selected for publication—an amazing achievement!

Recipe of the Month

Easy Sweetcorn Salad Recipe

This quick and easy sweetcorn salad recipe with simple honey lime dressing makes a great kid-friendly side dish for family meals, BBQs and summer picnics. Just follow the link below for the recipe.

<https://www.eatsamazing.co.uk/family-friendly-recipes/side-dish-recipes/kid-friendly-easy-sweetcorn-salad-recipe>



Values Education

During the month of July the school is focussing on the value of:

Freedom

If your child has demonstrated the value of Freedom at home, please let us know by emailing their class teacher, stating the reason you are nominating them.

Names of pupils nominated for the monthly Value will appear on the School's Value Notice Board and School's Website.