

# GOLDINGTON GREEN ACADEMY

Well, here we are in October already and I am pleased to learn that the children have settled back into school life wonderfully as we approach the end of the first half term of this Academic Year.

I only wish I could see this for myself but unfortunately I had an accident at home on 18th September where I dislocated and broke my ankle in 3 places. I have had an operation to pin and plate it and will be off work for some time.

I am keeping in touch with Mrs Liz Turner and all the Senior Leadership Team and know that all is running smoothly as always.

I believe that all the children really enjoyed our annual MacMillan Coffee afternoon last week and would like to thank all of you who contributed to this worthwhile charity.

Thank you all once again for all the support you give.



Mrs C Skingsley  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates for October/November

### October

#### Black History Month

- 14th Yr.4 Anglo Saxon Day in school
- 21st School Closed—Staff Training Day
- 21st 6pm PTFA Family Quiz Night
- 24th-28th Half Term

### November

- 1st Yr.2 Trip to Warwick Castle
- 2nd Whole School Individual Photographs
- 3rd PTFA Fireworks evening
- 7th Yr.4 Parent Consultations
- 8th Yr.1 Parent Consultations
- 9th Yr.3 Parent Consultations
- 10th Yr.5 Parent Consultations
- 14th Acorns Parent Consultations
- 15th Yr.2 Parent Consultations
- 16th Yr. R Parent Consultations
- 17th Yr.6 Parent Consultations
- 18th Children in Need

## My Experience at my Golf Tournament by Patrick, Coconut Class

On Monday 26th September 2022 I took part in a golf competition for Bedford schools. When I first entered the room to get out on the course I was worried I would make lots of mistakes. Then we went on to the putting green and my score was 21. After that, I walked out onto the course. I desperately wanted a good score for the first hole because I



needed it for my confidence. And I did get a good score 1 over par 4. It was a great confidence boost. I kept getting one over par and even par until the last hole where it was raining quite heavily so I got two over par. Once I had finished playing we went back inside the clubhouse to find out who had won an award. I had the lowest score in my age group and won a private golf lesson.

## Midday Supervisor Posts

If anyone is interested in working a couple of hours a day and becoming a Midday Supervisor for our school or even being called on a short notice to provide support, please contact the office for more information.

**Conifer and Hornbeam Classes** have been working hard in Art. We have been celebrating the Queens life. This display is some of the work we have created.



## Message from Early Years

We are so pleased to say that the Early Years children have settled well into Preschool, Acorns and Reception. They have enjoyed spending time exploring the environment and getting to know each other and the adults. We are looking forward to the year ahead!

## Can you help?

We are looking for any donations of board games for use in our lunchtime club. If you can help, please send them in to the school office. Many thanks

# NEWSLETTER

## Admissions to Reception Year September 2023

If your child's date of birth falls between **1st September 2018** and **31st August 2019** it is essential that you complete an application form for your child's place in the Reception Year at school before the cut off date of **15th January 2023**. **ALL PARENTS must apply for a Reception place, if you do not apply you will not be allocated a school place AT ANY SCHOOL.**

These applications can be completed online at [www.bedford.gov.uk/onlineadmissions](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/onlineadmissions) (which is the preferred method). If you apply on line, please ensure you receive a confirmation email of this and keep it for future evidence should there be an issue with your application. If you do not have internet access please telephone the School Admissions Service on 01234 718120 to request a paper application form.

Please remember that your child will not automatically get a place at our school if they attend our Pre School or Acorns class, and that even though your child is wearing our school uniform and we very much see us as one school, preschool and Acorns children are not part of Goldington Green Academy until they are formally admitted into Reception through Bedford Borough procedures.

All the information on the starting school process is online at [www.bedford.gov.uk/startingschool](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/startingschool)

### Remember

**You must apply for your September Reception place with Bedford Borough Council**

## Values Education

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

### Quality

If your child has demonstrated the value of Quality 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.

### Staff News

We would like to give a warm welcome to 4 new members of staff, **Miss Naomi Mitchell**, TA in Conifer Class, **Mrs Katarzyna Przybylo**, TA in Year 4, **Miss Nadezba Emsina**, Midday Supervisor and **Miss Nicola Seager**, Cleaner. We hope they will all be very happy here at Goldington Green Academy. Sadly, we have said goodbye to **Mrs Susan Hills**, Midday Supervisor who left us last month. We wish her well.

### Early Years Little Library

We are creating a Little Library for our EYFS area, with a wide range of picture books for everyone to enjoy. Reception year children will now be able to choose a book to take home, to share and enjoy with their family and carers.

"Sharing a book with a child is fun! It's a time for closeness, laughing and talking together – and it can also give children a flying start in life and help them become lifelong readers." BookTrust

Happy reading!



### Recipe of the Month Lunchbox Pasta Salad

What to put in lunchboxes is something we all have problems with. Why not try this simple pasta salad recipe for your children for a change from sandwiches by following the link below:

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/lunchbox-pasta-salad>

