

### Throughout the year

Please continue to talk to your child about their daily experiences.

If there are any concerns at all, e.g. your child not wishing to come to school or claiming the work is too hard, do not panic! Reassure your child and speak to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Most importantly, we want all of the children to continue to develop a love of learning and a thirst for knowledge.

We look forward to a successful year ahead!

**Year 4 Staff contact details** (also available on the school website [www.goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk](http://www.goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk))

We have an 'Open Door' Policy at Goldington Green Academy. If your child's class teacher is unable to speak to you at the door or you would like to make an appointment to speak with them, please use the contact details below.

Staff	Telephone	Email
Mrs. L Turner Cedar Class (Year Group Lead/Assistant Head Teacher)	326335	<a href="mailto:lturner@goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk">lturner@goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk</a>
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Mrs. S. Turner Magnolia Class	326335	<a href="mailto:sturner@goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk">sturner@goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk</a>

*From the smallest seeds to the tallest trees, always aiming higher. "Give, Grow & Aspire"*

## Helping Your Child Move into Year 4



In addition to this booklet, there will be a **Familiarisation Meeting** held early in the Autumn term. This will be an opportunity for your child's new class teacher to further explain and share additional information about routines and procedures in school. If you have any concerns or need advice, please do not hesitate to contact us by email.

**Please note: All information contained in this booklet is subject to change due to COVID-19.**

## Routines

To support children in becoming independent learners we ask that parents and carers say goodbye to their children at the exterior classroom door.

Your child may bring a **fresh** piece of fruit or vegetable for break time. This should not be a wrapped bar or 'Fruit Winder' style snack. It is also very important that children bring named water bottle to school every day.

Your child will visit the Library every week and withdraw 2 books; a fiction and non-fiction. In Year 4, children's library books can go home but if they are lost or damaged, a fee will be charged to replace the book.

## Structure of the day

As the children come into school, they will undertake a learning task, as the register is completed. It is very important that children are on time each morning as if they are late they will miss this important aspect of their learning. The school day will usually follow this routine:

Morning	Afternoon
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enter school at 8.30</li><li>• Paired reading</li><li>• Maths basic skills</li><li>• Maths</li><li>• Playtime</li><li>• GPS</li><li>• English</li><li>• Lunchtime (12.30pm)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Register</li><li>• Topic learning activities</li><li>• Home time at 3.00pm</li></ul>

Children are encouraged to use the toilet at playtime and lunchtime so their learning is not interrupted

Year 4 have PE on Tuesday morning and will need to come into school in their PE kit and they will wear it all day. It is important that the school uniform policy is adhered to at all times. No logos or other than colours are permitted.

## Homework

The Government recommended time for homework is 1.5 hour per week for Year 4 children. Your child will receive their homework weekly via Google Classroom. It is important that homework is completed to ensure that routines are in place and your child is ready for year 5 and beyond. If your child or you are unsure of any of the tasks, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be more than happy to help. Spelling tasks will be completed daily in school. There are year 4 spellings on Google Classroom to complete at home.

## Reading with your child at home

Children should be encouraged to read daily at home. If your child has read to you at home please write a comment in their diary. If your child is ready to change their book they should tell their teacher as they come into school. Reading books and diaries should be brought to school every day. your child will be expected to read aloud to their class to improve their reading speed. It is expected that your child should read no less than 5 times a week to earn their reading badges.

## Preparing for Year 4

- ❖ Visit your local library and encourage your child to read books and magazines regularly at home.
- ❖ Log in to TT Rockstars to support the learning in maths for year 4 <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student> your child has already been assigned a user name and password in year 3.
- ❖ Continue to encourage your child to use a dictionary and to practice the year 4 spellings.
- ❖ Reassure your child about the move into Year 4 – it is an exciting time!