

### Admission into the Pre School Classes - Saplings and Little Saplings

Goldington Green Academy has a Pre School class all year round (term time only) and currently has places for 30 children in the morning and afternoon, maintaining ratios of (2+1:4) (3+1:8)

Children may be admitted into the Pre School class the term after their 2nd birthday, subject to space availability. They may attend for up to 15 or 30 Government funded hours a week and additionally extra sessions can be paid for. The morning session starts at 9.00am until 11.30 am. If you would like your child to stay for lunch there are places for 28 children. You must collect your child at 12.20 pm from lunch. The afternoon session starts at 12.30pm until 3.30pm unless your child is having lunch before the session, when they will then arrive at 11.35am. Children can also access sessions before and after the preschool day.

All Autumn and Spring born Saplings Class children, move up to Acorns class the term after their 4th birthday. Acorns (4+): 1:13

Please complete the Pre School Application form below to indicate your interest and the sessions required.

The school administers applications into the Pre School/Acorns class. Acceptance into the Pre School /Acorns class does not guarantee a place in the Reception Classes in the September.

### Admission into the Reception Classes

Those children whose fourth birthday falls between 1st September and 31st August are admitted straight into the Reception classes in the September after their fourth birthday.

There is no obligation to send your child to school full time at the stated time if you feel it is not in the best interests of your child to do so. However, once your child reaches statutory school age (5 years), full time attendance is compulsory.

The Local Authority administers all applications for admission into the school each September (statutory applications). Applications for September must be with The School Admission Service at Borough Hall no later than 10th January. (Admission criteria below.)

Separate application forms have to be filled in for each child in a family. The forms can be obtained from any school or preferably completed on line @ [www.bedford.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/admissions)

Parents will be notified in writing by the Borough Council at the end of April if they have been allocated a place in the Reception year at The Hills Academy for the following September.