

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, don't 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 2 Staff contact details (also available on the school website 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. We also encourage parents to contact class teacher via email where possible.

Staff	Telephone	Email
Miss V Paulding Willow Class Teacher	326335	vpaulding@goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk
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From the smallest seeds to the tallest trees, always aiming higher. 'Give, Grow & Aspire'

Helping Your Child Move into Year 2



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.

Note: All information contained in the 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 school gate.
- Your child will be given a piece of fruit or vegetable each day.
- It is very important that children bring named water bottle to school every day.
- Your child will visit the Library every week and will withdraw books from the library. In Year 2 children's library books stay in their drawer for them to read in class time only.

Structure of the day

As the children come into school they will complete daily spellings and times tables 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">• Doors open at 8.45am• Maths• Phonics• Playtime at 10:25am• Handwriting• GPS• English• Lunchtime at 12:15pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Register• Reading comprehension• Topic learning• Basic Maths Skills• Assembly and Storytime• Home time at 3.15pm

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

It is the school expectation that the correct uniform will be worn at all times, including the correct PE kit and the correct footwear. Long hair should be tied back and a pair of small stud earrings maybe worn. Year 2 have PE on Monday and will need to come into school in their PE kit.

Homework

Homework is set weekly and your child will receive their own named homework folder with a set of three task books inside. Every Friday information about which tasks your child should complete will be posted on Google Classroom. If you or your child are unsure of any of the tasks, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be more than happy to help. Weekly spellings will also be set via Google Classroom for your child to practise at home. We will test your child's spellings on a Friday. There will also be a grid of optional creative pieces of homework for your child to complete. If you require any resources to complete the activities, please ask your child's class teacher.

Reading with your child at home

Children should be encouraged to read **five times a week** at home. If your child has read to you at home please write a comment in their diary. This can be reading any book – not just their school book. Your child should bring home two books each week – one which is linked to their phonics ability and one which they choose as a 'love of reading' book. They may not be able to read their love of reading book independently – this is a book for you to share together. We will help your child change their reading book at least once a week. Reading books and diaries should be brought to school every day. Each time your child reads at home this will be celebrated by your child moving up on their class 'Reading Rocket.' The number of times your child reads at home also counts towards 'reading at home badges' which they can earn.

Clubs

Children will be collected from their classroom at the end of the day and taken to after school clubs, including Honeysuckle. There will be variety of lunchtime and after school clubs available and these will be dependent on staff expertise and interests. The majority of clubs are initially for Key Stage 2. Letters will be spent out regarding clubs at the beginning of each term.

Preparing for Year 2

- ❖ Visit your local library and encourage your child to read regularly at home.
- ❖ Read and share stories to and with your child.
- ❖ Continue to encourage your child to write in cursive script.
- ❖ Reassure your child about the move into Year 2 – it is an exciting move!

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