

# GOLDINGTON GREEN ACADEMY



# NEWSLETTER

As you are aware, we have had several COVID cases in our school community in the last few weeks. We hope that those of you who have tested positive for Coronavirus have mild symptoms and wish you a speedy recovery. Thank you to all families for being so vigilant in testing regularly and keeping school informed. Fortunately the numbers are going down now.

Due to the current need to keep the classrooms well ventilated, please ensure that your child wears layers that can be added or removed as necessary. Please also ensure that they have items such as a warm coat, gloves, scarf and a hat with them each day. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

We are working hard to ensure the children continue to receive the best possible education during this continuing difficult time and I am extremely thankful to the wonderful teaching staff who are working so hard planning and delivering lessons both face to face and remotely at times which I am sure you can appreciate is not an easy task for them.

**Mrs C Skingsley**  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates for February/March

### February

- 4th Level 1 Bikeability (Yr.3 & 4)
- 7th-10th Level 2 Bikeability (Yr.5 & 6)
- 11th Shine Bright, Wear Bright
- 11th Year 6 Ice Cream Van reward
- 14th-18th Half Term**
- 28th Year 4 Parent Consultations



### March

- 1st Year 1 Parent Consultations
- 2nd Year 5 Parent Consultations
- 2nd-9th Book Fair in School
- 3rd World Book Day
- 7th Year 3 Parent Consultations
- 8th Year 2 Parent Consultations
- 9th Year R Parent Consultations
- 9th Acorns Parent Consultations
- 10th Year 6 Parent Consultations
- 18th Red Nose Day

### Shine Bright, Wear Bright 11th February

On 11th February we are asking you to send your children to school wearing something bright with their school uniform. This is to increase awareness and show support for the mental health charity CHUMS. We are not collecting donations this time, just promoting awareness for mental health issues.

### Staff News

We are sad to say that after many years of teaching at Goldington Green Academy **Mrs Pip Litchfield** will be leaving us on 11th February. We will miss her and wish her every success for the future. We are pleased to welcome **Mrs Rachel James**, who joined us on 31st January in the roll of Clerical LSA.

### Pupil Absence Line

Please can we remind parents that when leaving a message on the Pupil Absence answer phone service that they give their child's **full name** (not just their first name), **class** and the **reason for the absence**. Please also speak slowly and clearly. We have 655 pupils at Goldington Green Academy and unless we can understand the message you leave we will be unable to pass it on to your child's teacher.

### Spare Clothes

We are desperate to receive any donations of boys and girls underwear (including socks/tights), for use when children have 'accidents' at school. We particularly need small size items for children in Reception/Yr.1. Please can we also ask that if your child comes home wearing 'school' underwear/uniform, that they are washed and returned to school as soon as possible to replenish our stocks.

## Year 4 Big Garden Bird Watch

In our Forest School sessions this week we were preparing for the Big Garden Bird Watch - we spotted Red Kites circling above the school field. We've taken lots of photos which will be uploaded onto Twitter.



### M&M Productions - Aladdin Reviews from Redwood Class

In Aladdin there was some fantastic characters like the evil man and Jasmine. It was very entertaining and interesting. I loved it. My favourite is Jasmine because she was very kind and helpful. I think this is 100% five stars! Well done! Report by Zoe

In Aladdin there was loads of things going on I can't describe all of it but it was funny. There was a man that was really mean and he wanted the magic lamp, but the cave wouldn't open.

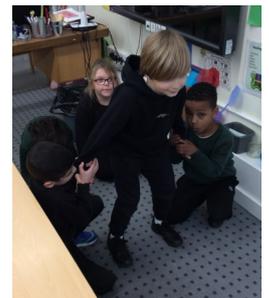
I enjoyed the songs especially when the teachers had to join in with Baby Shark. It was really funny! The characters were Aladdin, Princess Jasmine, the genie and loads more. My favourite one was Princess Jasmine. 4 out of 5 stars. I think that because there were good bits and bad bits. Some better than others. Report by Emily

The evil man wanted the lamp to himself to be rich but he couldn't have it because he wasn't the chosen one, it was Aladdin. So he went to find him and when he did he would use him to be rich. But when he had the lamp he wished to be the genie and genies live in lamps!

I loved the show. Why? Because it was funny and there was some love bits. So actually I loved the whole show. 5 out of 5 stars. Report by Elizabeth

### Year 3 Myths and Legends

To support their learning on myths and legends year 3 have explored the features of a **struggle** and a **resolution** within a myth. They did this in different ways included creating freeze frames of key moments from Roman myths. Have a look at the pictures to guess what myths they are retelling. Some children portrayed characters while others used aspects of physical drama to convey parts of the scenery and key props. Miss Burt asks that they remember her in their BAFTA acceptance speeches!



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## Values Education

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

**Thoughtfulness**

If your child has demonstrated the value of Thoughtfulness 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.

### Recipe of the Month

#### Tomato and Bacon Muffins

Savoury muffins are great for packing into lunchboxes; they can be made ahead in batches and feel like a real treat, but as they are homemade you know exactly what has gone into making them. Just follow the link below:-

<https://realfood.tesco.com/recipes/tomato-and-bacon-muffins.html>

