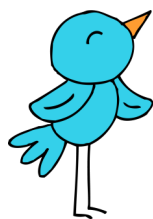


GOLDINGTON GREEN ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break! It's been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week, full of energy and ready for a new term of learning and fun. I hope you enjoyed learning all those spellings over the Easter break too, helping to raise funds for yet more enjoyable events for the children!

This term sees our residential for Years 4 and 6 as well as our exciting 'Fitness Fortnight'. Hopefully these events will help balance out the assessments that the children have, especially our Year 6 pupils with their SATs in May.

Following on from Mrs Turner's piece about the Bedfordshire Festival I would also like to say how proud I was of each and every child who had the courage to take part! Here is a photograph of one of our superstars - Celeste, from Rowan Class.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to a fantastic summer term.



C Skingsley

Mrs C Skingsley
Headteacher

Diary Dates for April/May/June

April

23rd **Start of Summer Term**
29th 9am Rowan Class Assembly

May

5th **School Closed May Day Bank Holiday**
6th 9am Walnut Class Assembly
7th-9th Yr.4 Residential to Caythorpe
12th-15th Year 6 SATS
13th 9am Oak Class Assembly
16th 3pm-5pm May Festival
21st 8.30-9am Maths Games Morning
26th-30th **Half Term**

June

2nd-6th PTFA Father's Day Shop
3rd-6th Yr.6 Residential to Liddington
10th 9am Magnolia Class Assembly
13th Father's Day Breakfast
16th-27th Fitness Fortnight
17th 9am Aspen Class Assembly
20th (am) KS1 Sports Day
20th (pm) Reception Sports Day
24th 9am Birch Class Assembly
27th KS2 Sports Day at Athletics Stadium



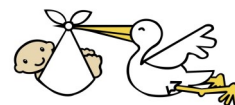
Reception Family Reading!

Our popular family reading sessions are expanding into Reception after Easter. All reception parents are invited to read with their children in classrooms between 8:30am and 9am every Friday. We look forward to seeing you there.

Staff News

We are delighted to announce that **Mrs Tammy Nurse**, Year 3 Teacher and Maths Lead is expecting her second baby later in the year.

Congratulations to both Tammy and her husband.



On a sadder note we said goodbye to **Mrs Sarah Sears**, Inclusion and SENDCo at the end of last term. She has moved on to a headship post and we wish her every success in her new venture.

Artist of the Month

The artist of the month is **Georgina Luck**. She is a Sussex-based artist who uses pen and watercolour. These are some of her drawings. Perhaps you could bring a still life focus to life using similar techniques.



Well done!

We would like to say well done to Paige, Hazel Class and Olivia, Acorns Class who both graded to a Blue Belt in Karate recently. Well done girls!

World Book Day

We loved seeing everyone in their costumes, and taking part in book-themed activities across the school for World Book Day. Congratulations to our winners from the day - Monty, Zakariyyah, Pennie, Gracie-Jayne, William, Flora, Amaya-Olivia and Casey for their inventive and fun outfits!

We'd also like to say a big well done to Alicia, Brooke (Cedar) and the whole of Apple class for getting the most answers correct in our "Guess who?" challenge, where they had to guess which member of staff was hiding behind each book cover.

Thank you to everyone for taking part. We hope you enjoyed the day as much as we did!

Year R visit to Mead Open Farm

On 27th March Year R visited Mead Open Farm. The children had a lovely day at the farm. They saw pigs, sheep and cows. They also groomed ponies and enjoyed bunny hop. They also saw lambs being bottle fed. Children drew pictures of the animals they saw at the farm when we were back in school.



Mia J in Chestnut Class

Further to the announcement in last month's Newsletter, Mia has now completed her exciting venture with the English Youth Ballet. She took part in a weekend performance of 'Cinderella in Hollywood' at

Aylesbury Waterside Theatre. She thoroughly enjoyed the experience. We are very proud of you Mia!

Congratulations

Just to share some lovely news. Jordan, from Sporty Scholars has been presented with a shiny trophy for winning the best holiday camp across Sporty Scholars for February half term. Well done, Jordan!!



Mia W-M in Chestnut Class

Mia W-M in Chestnut has recently taken part in a show with her dance school and competed in a competition.

The show was called 'A Moment in Time', and the competition she took part in was the Luton Festival of Dance. The category for her solo was 10 years and under - Novice Classical, and Mia was awarded 4th place. Congratulations Mia, this is a wonderful achievement and we are all very proud of you.



Recent Monies Raised

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the following money raising events. We raised **£293.20** in sales of Red Noses, **£478.23** in donations on Red Nose Day, and **£83.77** for the Red Nose Crossbar Challenge run by Sporty Scholars. Thank you for your generosity.

School Office Closed from 3.30pm

Please be aware that the School Office is not manned from 3.30pm each day. Please do not buzz the gates for club collection as there is no one to answer your call! Thank you.

Bedfordshire Festival

Recently a few children from each year group were chosen to represent GGA at the Bedfordshire Festival. They either learnt a poem to perform, read from a prepared reading or played an instrument in front of an adjudicator, other performers and parents. They spent a few weeks leading up to their performance practicing both at school and at home.

I would like to say a big well done to all the performers for their dedication and hard work. You all should be very proud of yourselves! Mrs Turner

Recipe of the Month Crumpet Pizzas

Help younger children make these easy crumpet pizzas for lunch, or let older kids put them together themselves. Use whatever vegetables you have in the fridge for the toppings. Just follow the link below for the recipe.

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/crumpet-pizzas>



Values Education

During the month of April and May the school is focussing on the value of:
Unity (April) and Patience (May)

If your child has demonstrated the value of Unity or Patience 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.