

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 1 Staff contact details (also available on the school website www.goldingtongreen.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 Colleen Wills (Year Group Lead Rowan Class Teacher)	326335	cwills@goldingtongreenacademy.co.uk
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Like little seeds, always
aiming higher,
Give, Grow and Aspire.

Helping Your Child Move into Year 1



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.

Routines

To help children to become independent they should be encouraged to hang their own coats up and enter the classroom unaccompanied by parents. However for the first week parents are invited in to school to help their children.

Children will be given a piece of fruit or vegetable each day. Children should bring a named water bottle to school each day.

The children will visit the Library weekly and books remain in their own drawer.

Structure of the day

As the children come into school they will usually have a task to complete at their tables as the register is taken.

The school day will usually follow this routine:

8:45 Classroom doors open

Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation

English

Snack

Playtime 10.35 – 10.50

Maths

Group phonics

Lunchtime at 12:15- 1:15

Register

Topic

Maths basic skills

Assembly

Home time 3:20

Year 1 have PE on Monday and will need to come into school in their PE kit with their full school uniform in their bag.

Playtime

Children are encouraged to go to the toilet before playtime starts and will go out to play with the Year 2 children.

Homework

Homework is set weekly and your child will receive their own named homework folder with a set of task books inside. Every Friday your child will receive a task sheet that explains which tasks your child should complete. 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 sent home for your child to practice daily. We will test your child's spellings on a Friday. There will also be an optional half termly creative piece of homework for your child to complete. If you require any resources to complete the activities, please ask your child's class teacher.

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 place it in the reading box as they come into school. Reading books and diaries should be brought to school everyday. If a child reads 5 times at home during a week they will be awarded with a 'Reading Rocket' certificate.

Clubs

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 sent out regarding clubs at the beginning of each term.

Preparing for Year 1

- Visit your local library and encourage your child to practise his/her reading.
- Continue to encourage your child to write in cursive script. Segmenting and linking sounds to letters.
- Help your child to recognise, count and form numbers to 20
- Encourage your child to get dressed independently. If your child has laced shoes, please ensure they can tie them.
- Reassure your child about the move into Year 1 – it is an exciting move.