



GOVERNORS REPORT TO

PARENTS

2016 - 2017





A Message from the Board of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers;

A warm welcome to all our new children, parents and carers entering our school community, we are delighted that you have joined us.

A big welcome back to our existing children, with a special mention for our new Year 5s. We hope you had a fabulous summer break and are looking forward to the new school year as much as we are!

It will be a very exciting year for us. We start this September for the first time as Primary school.

We have outlined some of the School's academic and practical successes from last year and briefly listed at the end of our report what the schools priorities will be for this year.

We hope you will all share the excitement of these changes to our school and recognise the excellent opportunities it will give our current and new pupils in the future

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask via the school office.

Vicki Carter (Chair of Governors)

Primary and building works



We have achieved a seamless transition to Primary status with our beautiful new buildings and Year 5 curriculum in place and successfully recruited three new teachers. The completed building work has allowed the school to expand with the construction of eight new classrooms and a purpose built nursery, in one single storey block. In its first year of opening Rowan, Oak, Walnut, Maple, Willow, Holly, Coconut and Monkey Puzzle will be based in the new building.

Academic success



The upward trend in the School's results continues. Due to 100% of our teaching being good and outstanding our standards this year have again been above national expectations at the end of Early years, Key stage 1 (Year 2) and at Year 4.

This means we are achieving above expectations for all schools nationwide.

By the end of Key stage 1 (year 2) children achieve 5% above national expectations across reading, writing and maths

By the end of Key stage 2 (Year 4) children achieve 3% above national expectations across reading, writing and maths

Our children have done brilliantly this year. Well done everyone!

Practical Achievements and curriculum enrichment



Over the last year, Goldington Green Academy has been involved in a number of successful events and activities, and has achieved numerous awards, including:

- English as an Additional Language Gold
 Quality Mark
- Success at the Bedfordshire Festival of Music, Speech and Drama
- Black History Month
- World Book Day
- Multicultural Week
- The Ghana twining project with Gyetiase Primary School and the King's Drum production
- Working with a range of artists

- Successful Fathers' Day and Mothers' Day events and Grandparents' luncheons
- Parent coffee morning
- Residential trips to France and Caythorpe outdoor adventure centre.

The PTFA organised a number of successful events, including the Christmas Fair, the May festival, Fireworks Night, BBQ, Movie night and Discos!

There were also numerous sporting achievements over the year, including:



- Involvement in the Bedford Sports
 School Festival
- Tag Rugby and Gymnastics regional final
- GGA's Sports Award Evening
- Fantastic Sports Days
- And it was another great year for the Football and Netball Team!

None of these events could take place without the dedication and commitment of all the school staff and parent volunteers and the Governors would like to thank everyone involved.

This year's Priorities



There are 4 priorities which the Governors have identified as areas that the school needs to work on this year these are:

- To improve further standard in reading in Early Years, Key stage 1 and Key Stage 2.
- For all children including those with Special educational needs to consistently demonstrate positive Behaviour for Learning.
- To increase parental engagement
- To ensure all children are ready for the next stage in their education.

The Governors of Goldington Green Academy

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