

Make Your Mark

The Youth Parliament and Bedford Borough Youth Cabinet are calling all young people

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MATTER
TO YOU?
HAVE YOUR SAY!**

What is Make Your Mark?

The Make Your Mark ballot happens yearly. People aged 11-18 have the chance to take part in this special voting system specifically designed for young people. This can be done through various options which include filling in a ballot paper and filling in a tally sheet. There are 3 votes available to choose which include the topics: a UK issue, a devolved issue and a local issue. The deadline is 8th October 2019 and Goldington Academy students have been invited to vote alongside other schools.

What is the Youth Parliament?

The UK Youth Parliament (UKYP) come together to debate and decide the most important issues that young people strongly believe in. The UKYP is made up of young people from years 6 up to 18 years old. They provide opportunities for young people to have their say in order to bring action and influence decision makers. The UKYP is made up of 300 members nationally who are elected via youth elections which take place throughout the UK. They help administer and plan Make Your Mark so that young people are able to vote in a variety of different ways.

What is Bedford Borough Youth Cabinet?

The Bedford Borough Youth Cabinet (BBYC) is also helping the Make Your Mark ballot locally. This is by ensuring that young people are involved through schools, colleges and youth groups. The BBYC is made up of young people who come together monthly to discuss decisions that matter to young people.

If you are interested and would like further information head to this website which also has details of the youth parliament: <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/schools-education-and-childcare/children-and-young-people/youth-cabinet/>

How is Goldington Academy voting?



Goldington Academy will be voting during form time and furthermore on Friday 4th October 2019 years 10 and 11 will have the opportunity to vote between 12:35-1:35 pm in a designated room. Further info will also be displayed.

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