

HOUSE CAPTAINS AT GOLDINGTON ACADEMY

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The 13 house captains at GA have a specific dedicated role which is dependent on reliability and being able to organise and have good communication skills. Ideas and views are shared at meetings held, where project fundraiser ideas are discussed alongside relevant activities.

From the onset of December, everyday up until the last week of the winter term, the house captains have been working hard to raise money for different charities by using an array of fundraising ideas like: who can do the most handstands, basketball shots, shuttle runs, who can do the best tongue twister and saying 1-10 in as many different languages. The money raised went to chosen charities.

This term, the house captains are in the process of making selected themed hampers to raise money for local charities. They will be raffled on the last day of the Spring term. The monies raised will be divided between the Friends of Goldington Academy and six charities. This includes: Sue Ryder, Salvation Army, Bedford Homeless Partnership, Diabetes UK, Bedfordshire Food Bank and Multiple Sclerosis Research.

The house captains will be organising and decorating the hampers. The themes for the hampers range from: movie night, relaxation, music, Harry Potter and chocolate.

Hamper ideas



Students have been donating items towards the hampers since the February half term and a variety of gifts and products have been kindly put forward in order to make the hampers. The link below gives further information on the hamper charity event.

<http://fluencycontent2-schoolwebsite.netdna-ssl.com/FileCluster/GoldingtonAcademy/MainFolder/Documents/letters-home/2018-2019/Hampers-2019.pdf>

INTERVIEW WITH MISS HANKINS – HEAD OF HOUSE CAPTAINS:

Miss Hankins is the Head of the house captains and in her interview below she outlines what being a house captain is all about.

Q: What does a house captain role involve?

A: Being a house captain means you are representing everyone else in the school in your house. You will be talking to those in your house to promote competitions, fundraising for charity and promoting awareness of your charity.

Q: Would you recommend applying for house captain and if so why?

A: I would recommend applying for a house captain role because people in the school look up to you as a role model and you can also put it on your CV which employers will look highly at. You also get experience in being able to take a leadership role within the school.

Q: What have the house captains done so far?

A: So far this year the house captains have promoted a number of different competitions around the school; they have also run a '12 days of Christmas' charity event at the end of the winter term. They are also currently in the process of writing a slide each for the bulletin. This is to promote the charities they are raising money for and creating hampers to be put in a raffle at the end of the Spring term.

Q: What are the future plans for this term/summer term?

A: In the summer term, we are going to hold a house rounders tournament which all years can be involved in. During Sports day and the lead up to it, various activities and sports day links will give the opportunity to allow the house system to distinguish a winning house.

We have been asked to put on a wide variety of competitions and we are going to be looking at which ones we feel will be most successful in our next house meeting for the Summer term. We will also want to put on at least, one more fundraising activity for the charities this year so any ideas would be welcome.

If any pupils are interested in finding out more or have any ideas please contact Miss Hankins as any suggestions would be greatly appreciated by the house captain team.