

News this week...



We're delighted to announce that we are now on Facebook! Our page will be used to share important information, news and updates.

Weekly Update

Friday 13th October

Our page can be found here: <u>Great Hollands Primary Facebook</u>, don't forget to like and follow us!

Please note that our Facebook page will not be used for parent

contact or questions. All enquiries must all still come through the school office via email, phone call or in person. We hope you'll find this a useful way to keep up to date with the latest GHPS news!



Special Visitors for EYFS

Reception children enjoyed a visit this week from the Newbury and District Agricultural Society, who visit schools to talk about where some of our foods come from.

They met Buttercup, Clover and Rasher and heard about how some animals give us milk, which we can drink or use to make butter, cheese, and lots of other foods.



FRoGS Events

Don't forget to book tickets for our GREAT FRoGS events – Back to School Party and Family Fireworks! If you have any questions about these events, please email <u>frogspta@gmail.com</u>

Thank you for your continued support.

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Richard Ferris Headteacher





Classes with the highest attendance this week: 1st Place – Foxes (99.7%) 2nd Place – Eagles (98.6%) 3rd Place – Hawks (98.5%)



House Points Winner This Week

The house points have been totalled up and the winning house this week is

SAPPHIRE

with 622 house points. Well done to all in Sapphire House – GREAT work!

School Lunches and Breaktime Snacks



Please take note of these important reminders:

- We cannot order lunches for your child. They must be pre-ordered online by you via your SCOPay account (https://scopay.com/login.html). If you need the login details for your account, please get in touch with the school office.
- We provide fruit for all pupils in Reception and Year 1&2, you may of course provide your • own fruit for your child, should you wish. Fruit is not provided to pupils in Years 3-6 and your child is welcome to bring in a healthy snack for break time – this is expected to be fruit or a healthy alternative.
- Please remember we are a nut-free school.

THE LEXICON'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION

With Christmas fast approaching, The Lexicon has today launched its annual Christmas art competition sponsored by Daley Rowney which has been running for the past six years! The competition offers local children aged 4-12 years a unique chance to be part of the town centre's Christmas activity and there are prizes worth over £1,000 to be won!



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Children can get involved by creating and decorating a Christmas Bauble design, using crayons, felt-tip pens, paints or even a computer, using the template provided.

We are looking for brightly coloured baubles **in fact the brighter the better.** The design must be the child's own work and should be something that will appeal to all age groups.

The winning designs will form part of a Christmas Bauble Trail, located in retailer windows in the town centre.

- The winners of each age group (4-6; 7-9 and 10-12) will each receive a Gift Card from The Lexicon worth £35 and a Giotto School Bumper pack prize worth £300 each;
- Click for more information! Each of the nine finalists will receive a Gift Card from The Lexicon worth £10.

Closing date for entries is Sunday, November 5 2023.



OPEN EVENTS

GREAT HOLLANDS

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Morning visit - 9.15am

Friday 29 September

Wednesday 18 October

Monday 13 November

Wednesday 10 January

Evening visit - 6.00pm

Tuesday 31 October

Thursday 30 November

Booking is required for this event. Please register using the **online form** on our website.



Do you have a child starting Nursery or Primary School in September 2024?

We warmly invite you to attend one of our open events to come and find out what makes us so proud of our school. You will be able to meet school leaders and have a tour through our wellresourced teaching and learning provision.

Our Early Years team will be on hand to answer questions and help you in making this hugely important decision for your child.

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new activities, meet new friends and make lasting memories. From themed arts and crafts and team games to sports and outdoor splash activities, there is something for all children to enjoy at our October Holiday Camps.



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FAMILY EVENTS



Pumpkin Treil

Pumpkin Trail

A family event at The Look Out this October Half Term. Purchase a map for £3 from The Look Out Reception, follow the trail around the forest, laugh at the jokes and head back to the Look Out Discovery Centre to be rewarded with a treat.

→ The Look Out, Bracknell, 21-29 October

Glow Walk

A family walking event to see Dinton Country Park glowing in the dark... Come and join us for a 2 mile walk around Black Swan

Lake and take in the various light features around the lake including a light tunnel, UV station and disco balls + more.

Dinton Country Park, Wokingham, 18 November



Dinton Santa Dash

Fun, Festive, family fun for all at Dinton Country Park.

Two distances to choose from: 2km or 5km.

Medal, mince pie and Santa suit for every entrant.

→ Dinton Country Park, Wokingham, 16 December

For more information about First Days Children's Charity and the work we do, please pop over to our website or follow us on social media.

www.firstdays.net

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