

News this week...

Sponsored Read

Next Monday is the start of our sponsored read for children in Years 1-6. We are competing against other Bracknell schools to see who reads the most. The children had an assembly today to tell them all about the project which will run from 27th March-2nd April.

You should have received a letter via your child and also by email which contains full details, sponsor form, table to record reading minutes and a bingo game!

We can't wait to see how much reading our children can do and to see if we win some brilliant prizes for our school!



Scholastic Book Club

There is still time to order books at incredible discounted prices from our online book club. There are books available for all ages and it's also a great way to raise funds so we can buy new books for our school.

To place an order, please visit: <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/great-hollands/digital-book-club>
Orders can be placed online up until 31st March 2023.



Red Nose Day Total

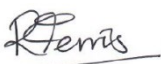
We would like to extend a big thank you to you all for supporting Red Nose Day last Friday. The money has been counted up and we raised an amazing £256.55 for the charity! Well done everyone.

Coronation of King Charles III

On Friday 5th May, across the school we will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles III with the children. The day will consist of lots of themed learning activities and will include a children-only picnic lunch for them to enjoy with their classes. Further details will be sent out after the Easter holidays.



Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.



Richard Ferris
Headteacher

**Don't forget
this weekend...**

CLOCKS GO
FORWARD



Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1st Place – Hedgehogs (97.9%)

2nd Place – Foxes (97.5%)

3rd Place – Lions (95.6%)



House Points Winner This Week



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

SAPPHIRE

with 275 house points.

Well done to all in Sapphire House – GREAT work!



School Lunches

IMPORTANT REMINDER: All lunches must be ordered by midnight the day before. There is no option for pupils to order their lunch on the day. If you forget to order your child's lunch, please send them in with a packed lunch.



The new menu for school meals will start from Monday 17th April – the full menu can be found on our website here: [Lunch Menu Summer 2023](#)

Site Safety

Thank you for continuing to keep your children with you when on our playgrounds and school site and not on any of the fields or playground equipment.

Attendance Matters

If your child is too unwell to attend school, **you must notify the school office either by telephone (option 1) or email before 8.45am**. If you do not do this, they will be recorded as missing and the office will be forced to chase you to find out where your child is, which could delay our response to a genuinely missing pupil. Please play your part in helping to keep all of our children safe.

Special Offer from Perform for GHPS Families

Our EYFS children received a visit from Perform a couple of weeks ago and had a wonderfully energetic time exploring the theme of Circus Adventure and using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills.

Perform run regular weekly classes in Crowthorne and Wokingham and they are offering a special introductory discount to all Great Hollands Primary parents if they come along for a free trial session before 31st March.

To claim the discount, just call Perform on 020 7255 9120 quoting GHPS310323 or visit www.perform.org.uk to find out more.

Thinking and Learning Together
Achieving Forever

Where can I get advice and support for my child?



Short Breaks Service

Provides support, signposting and advice to families of children with disabilities to help them access social opportunities and enable families to have a break from caring responsibilities. There are universal, targeted and specialist services available depending on need.

Local Offer

Provides information about SEND provision expected to be available locally across education, health and social care for children and young people in the borough who

- have SEN
- are disabled,
- including those who do not have Education, Health and Care (EHC) plans.

Family Information Service (FIS)

Provides an impartial information and signposting service relating to childcare and other services that support parents and carers of children and young people up to the age of 20 (25 with additional needs).

Works with organisations and professionals who support families.

Information, advice and support service (IASS)

Provides impartial and confidential information, advice and support about the legal rights of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) to parents and carers and to children and young people themselves.

Parent Carer Forum (PCF)

Provides the chance to be listened to and influence partners to design the services that are needed. Bracknell Forests PCF is an independent group which empowers families to access these services and advocates for inclusion for all.

Where to find it

short.breaks@bracknell-forest.gov.uk
01344 352733

www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/localoffer

www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/FIS
01344 353133

www.bracknellforest.iass.co.uk
01344 354011

www.bracknellpcf.com

Bracknell Forest's Family Services Directory and SEND Local Offer



Providing free, impartial information and advice about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and all other family matters.

- SEND information all in one place - how to access services and support including Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs)
- Education, childcare and early years funding
- Leisure and holiday activities
- Advice and support services
- Brokerage service for those struggling to find childcare



Family Information Service: fis@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

01344 353133

www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/localdirectory

Where can I get help with an EHCP?

Where is my nearest baby clinic?

I'm struggling with my child's behaviour - where can I get help?

How do I apply for free 30 hour childcare funding?

S4K FREE* S4K EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS



FUN AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY CAMPS THIS EASTER FOR CHILDREN AGED 4 TO 13 YEARS!



Working in partnership with the Holiday Activities and Food Programme we can support those families eligible with FREE*, flexible and convenient holiday childcare that gives children the opportunity to try new activities, meet new friends and make lasting memories.

Check your child's eligibility for the Holiday Activities and Food Programme here.

AT GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL, BRACKNELL



Parents eligible for the HAF programme will receive an email/text from your child's school with a voucher number, once you have received this click the link below to book and use code: 'HAF23' at checkout!

BOOK NOW!

Community Learning at Bracknell Open Learning Centre



English Language Café for beginners

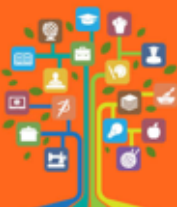
Thursdays, 12.30 – 2.30pm (term time only)

Come along to Bracknell Open Learning Centre for the chance to learn some basic English conversation with the help of a tutor. You'll join others who have English as an additional language and learn in a relaxed and friendly environment.

£1.50 per session

To book a course:
Online: www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/community-learning
Phone: 01344 354220
Email: community.learning@bracknell-forest.gov.uk
By post: Bracknell Open Learning Centre, Rectory Lane, Bracknell, RG12 7GR

www.facebook.com/bracknelladultlearning



Community Learning at Bracknell Open Learning Centre



English Language Café

Mondays or Thursdays, 10am -12 noon
(term time only)

Come along to Bracknell Open Learning Centre for the chance to improve your English conversation with the help of a tutor. You'll join others who have English as an additional language and learn in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Please note: This session is not suitable for complete beginners. It is for those who have some English language skills who want to improve and gain confidence.

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