

News This Week...

Bank Holiday Weekend!

Monday 6th May is a Bank Holiday, so the children will not be in school but will return on Tuesday.

The weather looks like it will remain cloudy and wet for a few more days and although it may be raining, we hope you have a relaxing long weekend.



Year 5 Brass

The children in Year 5 have now started their brass lessons on Mondays and are learning the trumpet and the baritone. We're really excited to hear their progress over the coming weeks!

Choir Club

Mrs van der Rest's Choir club is still running each week on Thursdays between 3.15-4.15pm. There are spaces available, so if your child would like to join the choir, please complete the form here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/V61EG8GZgm>



The choir are now beginning to practise the songs they will be performing at the FRoGS Summer Fair at the end of June and we're really looking forward to a GREAT performance from them!



Smart Watches

Please can we remind you that these devices should not be brought into school. If your child wishes to wear a watch, they are brought into school at your own risk and they should be just a standard watch to tell the time.

Communications Update

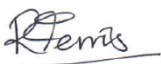
Letters coming out next week include:

- How to keep your pre-teen safe from harm online and in real life (Years 5 & 6)
- Help us improve school attendance at GHPS (whole school)



If you think you or a friend parent might be missing communications from the school or if you have changed your contact information, please update your details with the school office.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely bank holiday weekend.



Richard Ferris
Headteacher



Attendance Stars

Classes with the highest attendance this week:

- 1st Place – Eagles (99.0%)
- 2nd Place – Tigers (98.8%)
- 3rd Place – Falcons (98.4%)



Booking Change for After School Club



Following feedback from parents we have made some slight changes to the booking system for our wraparound care.

If you need your child to attend after school club, places can now be booked up until 12.00pm **on the day** of the session.

There is no change for morning club and these sessions must still be booked by 12.00pm the day before. After these times, booked session charges will still apply even if your child is collected early or does not attend.

We are also considering starting to provide snack/breakfast at the clubs, please take a moment to share your opinion on this by completing our simple feedback form here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/7Asr5usWFj>

Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



Open Learning Centre – Courses Available

There are a range of courses available through the Community Learning team based at the Open Learning Centre, including paediatric first aid. Some first aid courses coming up soon are an in-depth, six-hour course running over two evenings (14th and 16th May) and a shorter two-hour course on the evening of 20th May and places are still available.

To find out more about this or any of the other courses on offer, please visit: www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/community-learning

You can also find them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bracknelladultlearning>

Diary Dates

MAY 2024

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| Monday 6th | Bank Holiday |
| Monday 13th – Thursday 16th | KS2 SATs WEEK |
| Wednesday 22 nd | Year 2 Family Learning Session – English – 9.00am-10.30am |
| Monday 27th – Friday 31st | HALF TERM |

JUNE 2024

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| Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th | Year 6 'Bikeability' Lessons |
| Wednesday 26 th – Friday 28 th | Year 6 Residential Trip to PGL Liddington |

Bracknell Forest's Family Services Directory and Additional Needs Info Hub (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 childcare funding?

Thinking and Learning Together
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