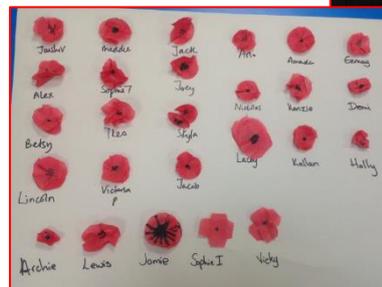


## Important Updates This Week

### Remembrance Day

The whole school observed two minutes of silence at 11.00am on Thursday this week for Remembrance Day and there have been activities across the school to mark this very special day. Some of the children made their own poppies, while others spent some time learning about the meaning of the silence and why we wear a poppy.

Our poppy sales and merchandise have been extremely popular this year – thank you all for sending in your donations for this important charity.



### Some Reminders

I continue to be extremely grateful for all you do to help support us and I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the following few things, so that we don't let our high standards start to slip:

- Please continue to maintain a distance from others and if you need to talk to a staff member, please keep 2m + distance.
- Please **keep your children next to you** whilst on the school site. Please do not let your child run ahead of you or play on any of the equipment.



### Waste Collection Vehicle Naming Competition

We have now submitted out entries for Bracknell Forest's Waste Collection Vehicle Naming Competition. The names chosen were:

- Trash Truck Tommy – Joshua (Y5)
- Munch – Alex (Y3)
- Trash Gordon – Charlotte (Y6)

We will let you know the winning names as soon as we hear from Bracknell Forest, good luck all!

### Children in Need

Don't forget we will be supporting Children in Need next Friday (19<sup>th</sup>) with a non-uniform day. Children who wish to take part should come in with a donation of £1 for the charity on the day. Thank you for your continued support.

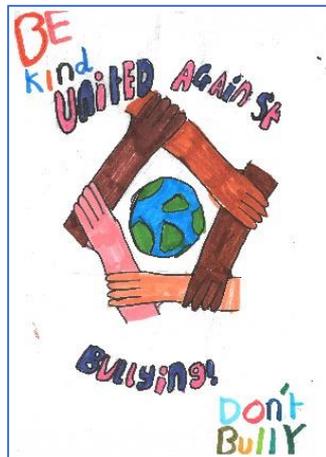


**Richard Ferris**  
Headteacher

## Anti-bullying Week – 15-19 November

Communications were sent home this week about Anti-Bullying Week 2021 and details of our annual anti-bullying poster competition. This also included a pack for parents, filled with lots of useful information.

The [Anti-Bullying Week letter](#), along with the [Parent's Pack](#), can be found on the [Anti-Bullying Page](#) of our website. There were some amazing entries to last year's competition and we're really looking forward to seeing this year's entries.



### Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Foxes (98.3%)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Hawks (96.1%)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Panthers (95.3%)



### House Points

House points have been totaled up across the school and the winners this week are **RUBY** with 233 house points! Well done Ruby, GREAT work!

### Nasal Flu Vaccinations

The School Immunisation Team will again be in school on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December to administer nasal flu vaccinations for all pupils whose parents wish for them to have one. Further information will be emailed out next week, including the link for the online consent form so do keep an eye on your inbox!

### After School and Morning Club

Our after school and morning clubs are extremely busy at the moment. Can we please remind you that booking is essential so that we can ensure sufficient staffing levels. Any enquiries and bookings can be emailed directly to Mrs Wise via [ghpsasc@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:ghpsasc@maidenerleghtrust.org)

## Around our GREAT school!

This week we would like to share what lunchtimes and playtimes look like in Year 3/4.



We have a very efficient team of children who help to set up the equipment and mark out the different playground zones.

There are lots of different games available for the children to play...



From Chess



To Tennis





There are always lots of different activities for the children to choose from, to help ensure that everyone has a positive and fun time!



### Dates for your Diary

Please note the following upcoming dates in our calendar:

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>-Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Anti-Bullying Week ([click here for more information](#))

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Non-uniform Day for Children in Need (£1.00 donation)

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November @ 6.00pm** – Open Event for Parents with children starting school in September 2022 ([click here for more information](#))

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December** – Nasal Flu Vaccinations for Years R-6 (look out for letters being emailed out next week)

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December @ 2.00pm** – EYFS Nativity Performance for parents

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Festive Jumper Day and School Christmas Lunch

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of Autumn Term

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January** – Children return to school

## Christmas Card Competition

We have been contacted by James Sunderland MP, who is running his second annual Christmas Card Competition. He is asking schools to submit designs from their pupils, and he will then choose a winner from each school. From those winners, he will select five to use in the print run for his official 2021 Christmas card.

One overall winner will also be selected, who will be invited to join him with their parents/carers for a visit to the House of Commons.

**Note: All entries must be on white A4 size paper.**

Please send entries into school no later than Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021.

## Reading Football Club's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party!

Mr Lee would like to share the following information we received this week:

By Royal appointment, we would like to invite Great Hollands Primary School to Reading Football Club's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday party!

### When?

Reading vs Luton Town - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 3pm

### Where?

Select Car Leasing Stadium

### How to qualify for the discount and confirm your attendance?

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating our birthday. And as part of our special invitation, we would like to offer the below discounted prices:

**12 and Under: £1**

**17 and Under: £3**

**18 to 24: £5**

**65 and over: £5**

**Adult: £10**

To redeem, please visit <https://ticketing.readingfc.co.uk> and enter the following unique coupon code: **#150GreatHollandsPrimary** in the basket once you have logged in and selected your tickets.

### How many tickets can we purchase?

There is no limit on the number of tickets you can buy using your unique code. And, for every ticket which is purchased you will receive one entry in a prize draw for a chance to win a series of 'money can't buy experience' prizes!

**Important!** This offer applies to tickets in the Eamonn Dolan Stand only and availability is limited. So please act quickly to avoid disappointment.

### What's happening?

Reading Football Club is one of the oldest clubs in the country. And this fixture will officially mark 150 years since Reading Football Club was founded. So we aim to stage a royal celebration of Reading Football Club...past, present and future.

It is also our closest match to Christmas, so the stadium will have a host of Christmas activities available for children of all ages!

If you have any questions about this offer, please email [sales@readingfc.co.uk](mailto:sales@readingfc.co.uk) or call 0118 968 1313.

We hope to see you all on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December!



BOOKING  
REQUIRED  
CLICK HERE



## GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENTS

### OUR OPEN DAYS:

Tuesday at 9.15am  
28 September 2021

Wednesday at 9.15am  
20 October 2021

Thursday at 6.00pm  
25 November 2021

Friday at 9.15am  
07 January 2022



We warmly invite you to attend one of our virtual open events to find out what makes us so proud of our school.

Nearly 90% of children leave Early Years being confident readers and our Year 6 pupils leave school outperforming their peers nationally – come and find out why.

You will be able to meet school leaders and have a virtual tour through our well-resourced teaching and learning provision.

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

Booking is essential for these popular events. If you are interested in attending, please click 'HERE' to reserve a place. Alternatively, you can call our school office on 01344 424 911.

For more information about Great Hollands Primary School, please visit our website, [www.greathollandspriamry.co.uk](http://www.greathollandspriamry.co.uk).



For regular updates, follow us on  [@MEGreatHollands](https://twitter.com/MEGreatHollands)

Are you thinking about kick-starting an exciting new career in teaching?



## TRAIN TO TEACH VIRTUAL EVENING

Monday 29 November 2021 18.00 – 19.00

Are you thinking about kick-starting an exciting new career in teaching? If so, our Train to Teach event is the perfect opportunity for you to learn all you need to know about teacher training and how to apply.

This is a virtual event and will include a presentation from the Director of Maiden Erlegh Institute and a Q&A session.

We work with the University of Reading to provide high quality training and support. Pass rates are high and our schools often retain trainees through to ECT and beyond.

Maiden Erlegh is an 'Outstanding' school and collaborates with a variety of schools to deliver training. You will train alongside outstanding teachers and gain excellent professional development.

All trainees must hold an undergraduate degree 2:2 or above and GCSE Mathematics and English grade C or above.

To book contact  
[MEIOffice@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:MEIOffice@maidenerleghtrust.org)

Maiden Erlegh School, Silverdale Road, Earley, RG6 7HS  
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## Community Learning at Bracknell Open Learning Centre



### Paediatric first aid

Friday 19 November, 9.30am – 3.30pm

An in-depth course for the management of a sick or injured child.

£45 or free to eligible jobseekers

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

[www.facebook.com/bracknelladultlearning](https://www.facebook.com/bracknelladultlearning)



## Community Learning at Bracknell Open Learning Centre



### Understanding food allergies

Wednesday 17 November, 6pm –  
7.30pm

Join this online course to understand food allergies, intolerances and Coeliac disease and how to manage the risk at home and in a catering environment.

£12

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