

## Updates This Week

### GREAT Job Year 6!

The children in Year 6 have had their SATs assessments this week and have been truly amazing. They have shown dedication, focus and resilience and I want to say a huge well done to each and every one of them, we are incredibly proud of you all!

They enjoyed an end of SATs reward trip to Ozone Ice Rink today, each class had a short tuition session, followed by some free time on the ice. They all had a really good time at the rink, which is very nearby in the Western Trade Centre, Bracknell. More information about the rink can be found on their website at [www.ozonerink.co.uk](http://www.ozonerink.co.uk)



### Platinum Jubilee Events

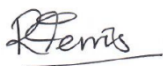
Miss Hawkins has been hard at work planning our Platinum Jubilee celebrations which will be taking place in the final week of this half term. The whole week 23-27 May will be filled with jubilee-themed learning across the whole school. Your child will soon be coming home with some jubilee-themed homework to create their own piece of bunting that we can join with others to create some lovely jubilee decoration.

The week will end with a non-uniform day and pupil only jubilee picnic on Friday 27 May. We will be asking the children to come to school wearing red, white and blue on the day. Picnic lunches will be available as an option to order for your child's school meal as soon as our caterers have updated their website.

### Queen's Green Canopy

The tree planting event in Windsor Great Park took place this week for the Queen's Green Canopy Project. Ella from Eagles class went along with her mum and Miss Hawkins to the event where they also enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea at Ascot Racecourse. The weather wasn't as dazzling as it had been early in the week, but they all really enjoyed the day.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.



**Richard Ferris**  
Headteacher



## Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Lions (99.6%)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Tigers (98.9%)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Falcons (96.4%)



## House Points

House points have been totaled up across the school and the winners this week are **RUBY** with **171** house points! Well done to everyone in Ruby, GREAT work!

## Class and Year 6 Individual Photographs

Simply Portraits will be in school on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May** to take class photographs of all the children. Please make sure you send your child to school wearing full uniform and with their best smiles!

The children in Year 6 will also be having 2 individual photographs taken.

Proofs will be sent home a few weeks afterwards and you may choose to order as many or as few as you would like from the selection available. Orders should then be placed within 10 days to ensure delivery before the summer break. All orders will be placed online and orders received before the deadline will be delivered to school free of charge. Late orders incur a £5 P&P charge.



## Butterflies and Tadpoles!

The children in Reception class have been learning all about the life cycle of a frog and have been following the progress of their tadpoles. They have now started to grow legs – can you guess how long it will take before they become frogs?



## Year 5 Cake Sales

The children in Year 5 will be holding cake sales in the coming weeks to help raise funds for their upcoming school trip. Year 5 children from each house will take turns to hold their sale, seeing which house can raise the most money.

The first sale was held today by Amber, with Ruby holding their event next week. Dates for the cake sales are as follows:

- Ruby – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May
- Emerald – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May
- Sapphire – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June



Only children in the relevant house in Year 5 are asked to bring cakes in to sell, but everyone is welcome to come and buy one after school. All cakes will be 50p each.

## Bracknell Half Marathon and Lexicon Fun Run

The Bracknell Half Marathon will be taking place this weekend and we would like to take the opportunity to wish one of our parents all the best for taking part in the race. Andy Iceton, who's daughters are in Year 3/4, will be running in a 7ft inflatable dinosaur costume to raise money for the charity Children with Cancer UK. You can read about his story in the Bracknell News here: <https://www.bracknellnews.co.uk/news/20115787.man-runs-bracknell-half-marathon-dinosaur-costume/> - Good luck Andy!

Also this weekend, the Lexicon Fun Run Event will take place on Saturday, organised by Everyone Active. **India in Year 6** will be taking part and we wish her all the best and hope she has a GREAT time. We are looking forward to hearing all about it next week!

## Fantastic Football!

This week, **Lola** in Year 4 shared the news of how her football team, FC Bracknell Under 10's Girls Wolves competed and won the ESF regional tournament at Butlins Minehead. They will now progress to the grand final which will be played in June. Well done to Lola and her team!

## Dates for the Diary

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May** – Class and Year 6 Individual Photos

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 Transition Support Sessions for Parents (pre-booked spaces only)

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 5 Ruby House Cake Sale on 5/6 Playground – 3.15pm

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 5/6 Science Oxford Workshop

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May** – Reception Hearing/Vision Checks

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 5 Emerald House Cake Sale on 5/6 Playground – 3.15pm

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May** – Jubilee Picnic (pupils only) and Red, White and Blue Non-Uniform Day

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June** – Inset Day

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 3/4 Chocolate Day



## Mental Health Awareness Week

This week has been Mental Health Awareness Week and due to SATs taking place, we have not been able to focus on the event this year. It is worth noting however, that at Great Hollands we are proud of our constant awareness of the mental health of all our pupils throughout the year. We have a strong programme of emotional as well as academic support, which we are improving all the time.

If you would like more information about mental health awareness, we can recommend the following sites:

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/> - Young Minds, supporting young people's mental health

<https://www.mind.org.uk/> - Mind, charity supporting mental health

Don't forget we also have further links on our dedicated [Wellbeing and Mental Health](#) page on our website.

**Thinking and Learning Together**  
**Achieving Forever**



## Are you looking to rent your property?

We are looking for affordable private lets for people in need of long term housing to call their home.

Could your property be what we are looking for?

If you own a property or number of properties in Bracknell Forest and are looking for suitable tenants, we could help you with your search.



Benefits of renting your property through the council:

- no advertising costs
- suitability and affordability checks
- help to fulfil long term tenancies
- single point of contact at the council direct to housing
- guidance with tenancy management
- rental loss, damages and legal cost insurances

For the council to be able to rent a property, it must meet the required compliance checks. We can provide information to help with this and even help with some of the costing.

Find out more:

Speak with Amber or Michelle by:

Email: [accommodation@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto:accommodation@bracknell-forest.gov.uk)

Tel: 01344 351550 or 01344 351612

Website: [www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/private-rentals](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/private-rentals)

### What happens next?

- Get in touch
- Compliance can be discussed and collated
- Property assessment and tenant selection
- Tenancy sign up



GEMS offers information and support to parents and carers of children with autism and ADHD within East Berkshire.

# Workshops & Courses...

## What's coming Up in June 2022

### Girls and Autism

**Thurs 9th June at 10am to 12pm (Maidenhead)**

A look at the behaviours and challenges that may be experienced by girls with autism.

### Pre & Post Assessment workshop Sleep - Autism/ ADHD

**Monday 13th June at 7pm to 9pm (Online)**

An introductory two – hour course for parents and carers who have children and young people with autism & or ADHD who struggle with sleep.

### Pre & Post Assessment workshop - ADHD

**Tues 14th, 21st, 28th June at 7pm to 9pm (Bracknell)**

For Parents & carers of children & young people who are waiting for an assessment for ADHD or who have recently been diagnosed

### High Alert - When Anxiety Strikes

**Thurs 23rd June at 10am to 11.30am (Online)**

What to do when worries take over. We take a look at what causes anxiety and some tried and tested strategies to tackle it.

To book onto any of the below workshops please contact GEMS on:  
0800 999 1342 or [gems.4health@nhs.net](mailto:gems.4health@nhs.net)





## Crowthorne FC Under 10's Players wanted

Crowthorne are looking for players to join and expand our club!

We are currently looking for  
8 and 9 year olds for the 22/23 Season.

We are currently holding **FREE TRAINING SESSIONS** for those who would interested, regardless of ability and experience

Please contact Joe on -  
Email - [crowthornefcjrs@gmail.com](mailto:crowthornefcjrs@gmail.com)  
Phone - 07743 403381  
Social Media - [crowthornefcjrs](#)

**FREE UNDER 10'S GOALKEEPING COACHING**

Want to be a keeper?

Enquire about our 4 week goal keeping training  
which is all FREE!



## HER MAJESTY'S PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022 CELEBRATIONS

FREE ENTRANCE TO ALL -  
CHURCH WILL BE OPEN, REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE  
WITH EVENTS BELOW

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### FLOWER FESTIVAL

Thursday 02 June – Saturday 04 June

DEPICTING 70 YEARS OF HM REIGN

Open from 10am

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### CRAFT FAYRE

Saturday 04 JUNE

Open from 10am

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PILGRIM CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL AND ST MARY MAGDALENE  
CROWTHORNE ROAD  
EASTHAMPSTEAD  
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