

Attendance and Punctuality

Great attendance is essential for children to receive the best possible education. However, it is also enormously important for children to be **on time** to start their school day. Our school gates open at 8.35am and classroom doors open at 8.40am. If a child comes late into class, it is disruptive for them as they have missed the start of the lesson, but it also disrupts their classmates who have already started their learning for the day. Lateness has an impact on the whole class, not just the individual. Please can you make every effort to ensure your child is in their classroom before the doors close at 8.45am. Thank you!



Our Fabulous FROGS

A huge thank you goes to the amazing FROGS volunteers for all their efforts to help arrange so many great events for our children and families. We are really excited that we have some fun events coming up, which with your support will raise some funds to enable us to buy new equipment for our children to play with at lunch and break times. Without the FROGS we simply would not have the money for all the fun play equipment that the children love to use each day. So THANK YOU Volunteers!! Everyone else ... If you can help the FROGS with any of their events, do get in touch to help them as they would love your support as they continue to put the 'fun' into fundraising!



Events for the coming weeks...

This time of year is always super busy in school with so much to do before the end of term!

Church Carol Service

All children in Years 1-6 will be walking to St Michael and St Mary Magdelene Church, Easthampstead for the Carol Service on Monday 12th December. The service will start at 10.00am and we will leave school at around 9.15am. Please see the [letter on our website](#) for full details.



KS1 and Reception Christmas Performances

This year we are very excited to once again be able to welcome Reception and KS1 parents and carers into school to see the children's Christmas performances. Further information will be sent home very soon.

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Our Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day will be 14th December. We will soon be sending out the envelopes to enable you to order your child's Christmas lunch. We will also email you when these are sent home so you know to keep an eye out for them!



Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Richard Ferris
Headteacher

House Points Winner This Week

The house points have been totalled up and the winning house this week is **SAPPHIRE** with 220 house points. Well done to all in Sapphire House – GREAT work!

Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1st Place – Panthers (**100%**)

2nd Place – Hawks (98.9%)

3rd Place – Falcons (98.6%)



Brigade Black Friday Uniform Sale NOW ON!

Our uniform supplier, Brigade, has their Black Friday Sale running from today until midnight on Sunday 27th November. Please use the code **BFNOV2022** to get 10% off at the checkout.

Book Fair in School from 29th November

The Book Fair is in school next week! It will be open every day, 3.00-3.30pm from Tuesday 29th November to Monday 5th December. Entrance to the fair will be via the doors on the Year 3/4 playground. There will be lots of fantastic books at GREAT prices, so do pop in and have a look!

Frogs Fete, Non Uniform Day and Film Night

The FROGS have had a very busy few weeks planning some fantastic events which will take place before the end of term.

On **Friday 2nd December**, we will be having a non-uniform day to collect donations for the FROGS Christmas Fete.



Non-Uniform Day 2nd December 2022



Your child is invited to come to school in non-uniform for a small donation to support our Christmas Fete

We are looking for donations for our Christmas Fete for this non-uniform day and would be really grateful for the following items, if you are able to help:

Reception, Year 1 and 2 – Unwanted but good condition Teddies & Soft Toys or Bottles of Soft Drinks

Years 3 and 4 – Toiletries & Gift Packs for a Hamper

Year 5 and 6 – Multipack Sweets and Chocolate Boxes, etc

Any additional items we can use as prizes or in hampers would be greatly appreciated!

So, if there is something unused & unwanted in a cupboard at home, PLEASE consider donating it so we can raise money for the children at GHPS

In addition, we are also hoping to have a separate Bottle Tombola for grown-ups only.

Now is the time to dig into your drinks cupboard and donate the odd un-wanted bottle or two so we can use them as prizes

ALCOHOL DONATIONS MUST ONLY BE BROUGHT IN BY AN ADULT THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Thank you for helping us raise money to buy extra play equipment for the children at GHPS

With love from the "FROGS"

The Christmas Fete will be held on **Saturday 10th December** 2022 between 2-4pm. Entry will be £1 per adult and children can enter for free.

There will also be a film night on **Thursday 15th December** when we will be showing the film 'Elf'. Letters will be sent home with the children next week to book a place. If you would like to help at any of these events, please email the PTA at frogspata@gmail.com or find them on Facebook.



Christmas Fete

Saturday 10th December

2.00pm – 4.00pm at

Great Hollands Primary School

Lucky Dip

Xmas Crafts

Refreshments



Visit Santa

Plus so much more!!

Entry £1 per adult

Free for kids!



FROGS Present Christmas Film Night



Thursday 15th December 2022 3.15-5.45pm Gold Hall

Tickets £5.00 including hotdog, chips and drink

There will also be Glow available to buy for between 50p-£2 per item

**DUE TO THE LATE FINISH ALL CHILDREN MUST BE COLLECTED
AND WILL BE UNABLE TO WALK HOME ALONE**

Apply for a school place!

The admissions process to apply for a Reception school place from September 2023 is now open.

The application process is open from
5 November 2022 – 15 January 2023

Visit www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/applyforprimary or use the QR code to apply



Does your child's date of birth fall on or between 01 September 2018 - 31 August 2019



for more information.
Bracknell Forest residents only.



GREAT HOLLANDS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOOKING
REQUIRED!



OPEN EVENT

RECEPTION DAYS:

Tuesday 27 Sept	6:00pm
Friday 30 Sept	9:15am
Wednesday 19 Oct	9:15am 6:00pm
Monday 14 Nov	9:15am
Thursday 17 Nov	6:00pm
Friday 09 Dec	9:15am
Wednesday 11 Jan	9:15am

[Book Here](#)

NURSERY DAYS:

Tuesday 11 Oct	10:00am
Wednesday 30 Nov	10:00am
Thursday 09 Feb	10:00am

[Book Here](#)

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 well-resourced 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.

If you would like to read our full Ofsted report, please click [HERE](#).

For regular updates, follow us on Twitter [@MEGreatHollands](#).

Wordsworth, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 8YR

GHPSoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org



Supporting Your Children Workshops

To book a space please email your name, school and contact number to

Inge.Taylor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

Courses are for adults supporting children not the children themselves

Each course is a standalone 2-hour session

Please be aware that spaces are offered on a first come first served basis

Courses are delivered face to face, and you will be asked to complete an enrolment form prior to the start of the session – your space will then be confirmed.

If you would like to put your name on the waiting list for any of the sessions, please let me know on the above email address and I will let you know when additional sessions are confirmed.

Please only book onto the sessions if you are **going to be able to attend** to avoid other parents missing out on the opportunity to have a place

Helping children to overcome anxious thoughts and worries

A 2-hour session looking at

- What happens when children become anxious
- The impact that current events have had on children's mental health
- Techniques for helping children deal with their fears / worries



Anxiety 5	Thursday 8 th December 2022 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	6.30 – 8.30 pm
Anxiety 6	Monday 16 th January 2023 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	9.30 – 11.30 am

Managing Behaviour in a Positive Way

A 2-hour session looking at

- Gain insight into your own parenting style / relationship with your child
- Learn or revisit positive ways of managing behaviour
- Strategies to deal with unacceptable behaviours



MB23	Wednesday 7 th December 2022 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	9.30 – 11.30 am
MB24	Tuesday 24 th January 2023 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	6.30 – 8.30 pm

Supporting Children to get a Healthy Night's Sleep

A 2-hour session looking at

- The different sleep issues facing our families
- Tips on how to get a good night's sleep.
- Help children develop good sleeping habits



Teens 3	Monday 5 th December 2022 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	6.30 – 8.30 pm
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Reducing Sibling Rivalry

A 2-hour session looking at

- Encouraging a more harmonious sibling relationship
- Learn / revisit techniques for children to cope with being a sibling
- Boosting children's emotional literacy



Siblings B	Wednesday 30 th November 2022 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	6.30 – 8.30 pm
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Please contact Inge.Taylor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk to book spaces, including your name, school and contact number – Thank you!

Sibling C	Thursday 26 th January 2023 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	9.30 – 11.30 am
Single Parent, Separated and Blended families – supporting children to cope with different family dynamics A 2-hour session looking at		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different family dynamics and how they can work • Parental conflict resolutions • Being the best parent that you can be for your child 		
Families 3	Wednesday 11 th January 2023 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	6.30 – 8.30 pm
Supporting a smooth transition to secondary school (YR 5/6 parents) A 1 ½ hour session looking at		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What the transition involves • The positives and concerns of transitioning to a new setting • Boosting your child's ability to have a smooth transition 		
Transition 1	Wednesday 3 rd May 2023 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	9.30 – 11.30 am
Transition 2	Wednesday 17 th May 2023 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre	6.30 – 8.30 pm
Great Hollands Course	Wednesday 24 th May 2023 @ Great Hollands (Great Hollands Parents ONLY)	9 – 11 am

Information for
parents
and carers



Berkshire Healthcare
Children, Young People and
Families services

All aboard the health bus!



Climb on board and talk to us about your
5-18 year old child's vaccines!

In our child-friendly environment, you can:

- Ask any questions about vaccinations
- Get help with giving consent for vaccinations
- Have your child vaccinated
- Receive help with translation

Come and find us between 10am-2pm at:

- 14th December 2022 Braccan Walk RG12 1LS (Opposite Starbucks Princess Square)

cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/immunisations



FUN | INCLUSIVE | EDUCATIONAL

CHRISTMAS FUN DAYS!

MULTI SPORTS, SWIMMING, PERFORMING ARTS, ARTS & CRAFTS, NERF WARS,
LASER TAG, BOUNCY CASTLE, ESPORTS, LEGO BUILDING & MORE!

Monday 19th – Friday 23rd December 2022



Heathfield School

London Road, Ascot SL5 8BQ

9.00am – 4.00pm

Early drop off from 8am, late pick-up until 5pm

OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 5 (SCHOOL YEAR 1) - 12

FROM £22.50 PER DAY!

Discounts for siblings & full week booking!

We accept Childcare Vouchers, Tax-Free Childcare & we are OFSTED registered!

Please bring: Lunch, Snacks, Waterproof Clothing & A Refillable Drinks Bottle.

For more information,
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Book online: www.play-sport.co.uk



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