

## This week's updates...

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas in school. Rehearsals for the Year 1&2 performance of 'The Sleepy Shepherd' and the Reception 'Our First Nativity' are well underway. The children are working hard to put on an amazing performance for their friends and family.

We have also been singing Christmas Carols in preparation for the carol service at St Michael's and St Mary Magdelene's Church for Years 1-6. This has created a wonderful festive feeling around the school. If you would like to volunteer to walk with the children to the church, please fill out our [online form](#) by Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – thank you!



## Christmas Lunch

The envelopes to order your child's Christmas lunch will be coming home next week – an email will be sent on the day they come home so you know to check your child's bag.

## Book Fair Poster Competition

We had so many amazing entries for our competition to design a poster for the Book Fair and had a very difficult time trying to choose the winners and runners up. The winners received a £5 voucher to spend at the Book Fair, and they all got their posters displayed around the school. Well done to everyone who took part. The winners and runners up are:

**Winners:** **Finnley** (Hedgehogs), **Andriana** (Eagles), **Ellie** (Hawks), **Dylan** (Leopards) and **Ynette** (Lions).

**Runners up:** **Cooper** (Hedgehogs), **Dexter** (Falcons), **Megan** (Eagles), **Sophie** (Leopards) and **Fariyah** (Lions).

The last day of our Book Fair is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December – please do pop in if you haven't already, there are lots of lovely books to choose from!



## Lexicon Decorate Your Own Snowflake Competition

We heard the exciting news this week that one of our pupils was named as a runner-up in The Lexicon's recent snowflake competition and won a £10 gift voucher to spend in the Lexicon.

Well done to **Ellie-Rose** in Hawks class, GREAT artwork!

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 **AMBER** with 190 house points. Well done to all in Amber House – GREAT work!

## Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Tigers (97.6%)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Leopards (97.4%)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Eagles (96.5%)



## Frogs News

The FRoGS would like to say a huge 'THANK YOU' to everyone for their generous donations for the Christmas Fete for non-uniform day – we are so blessed to have such a wonderful parent community.

The Christmas Fete will be held on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> December** when we will be showing the film 'Elf'. Letters will have been sent home with the children and all places need to be booked in advance no later than 12<sup>th</sup> December.

If you would like to help at any of these events, please email the PTA at [frogspta@gmail.com](mailto:frogspta@gmail.com) or find them on Facebook.

## Anxiety and Resilience Workshops

We have been running an anxiety workshop in school with Inge from the Family Learning Team at Bracknell Forest for the past few weeks and the sessions have been a great success. Every parent who attended also received a goodie bag from the school, to encourage them to take care of themselves too!



In the New Year, we will be running a series of Resilience Toolkit workshop sessions, again with Inge. These sessions are open to parents in all year groups. If you would like to book a space, please use the QR code on our flyer to complete our online form.

It is important to attend all sessions for this workshop and if you have any questions, please email [ghpsen@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:ghpsen@maidenerleghtrust.org)



## Resilience Toolkit

Helping our children to deal with challenge and change

A series of 3 parent & child sessions provided by Bracknell Family Learning Team to give parents/carers some great ideas and resources to use with their children

- Empowering children to make good choices
- Lots of ideas for boosting resilience and having a positive outlook
- "Make & Take" – each session will include helpful tools and techniques for you and your child



Try out different resources



A chance to chat and ask questions

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 1-3pm	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 1-3pm	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2023 1-3pm
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There will be a **short pre-course meeting** in school on **Thursday 12th January, 2:30-3pm** where you can meet our tutor Inge Taylor and find out more about what's involved.

If you would like to **book a space**, please **scan the QR code** and complete the form.

Please contact the SEN Team ([GHPSEN@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:GHPSEN@maidenerleghtrust.org)), if you require further information.





# Christmas Fete

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.



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PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOOKING  
REQUIRED!

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Provider

# 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](#).

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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:

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

[cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/immunisations](http://cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/immunisations)



GEMS offers free information & support to parents & carers of children with, or likely to have autism &/or ADHD within East Berkshire.

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

## What's coming up... Jan, Feb & March 2023

### Over 5s Autism Course - Virtual

Wednesday 11th, 18th & 25th Jan @ 7 - 9pm all 3 sessions to be attended  
Wednesday 1st, 8th & 15th Feb @ 7 - 9pm all 3 sessions to be attended  
Wednesday 15th, 22nd & 29th March @ 7 - 9pm all 3 sessions to be attended

### Girls & Autism - Maidenhead

Thursday 19th Jan @ 10am - 12pm

### Under 5s Autism Course - Virtual

Wednesday 22nd Feb, 1st & 8th March @ 7 - 8.30pm all 3 sessions to be attended

### Adolescence - Bracknell

Thursday 16th March @ 10am - 12pm

### Sensory Processing - Virtual

Monday 27th Feb @ 7 - 8.30pm

### Sleep - Autism & ADHD - Virtual

Wednesday 11th, 18th & 25th Jan @ 7 - 9pm all 3 sessions to be attended

### Managing Anxiety - Slough

Thursday 9th Feb @ 10am - 12pm

### ADHD Course - Virtual

Tuesday 17th, 24th & 31st Jan @ 7 - 8.30pm all 3 sessions to be attended  
Tuesday 14th, 21st & 28th March @ 7 - 8.30pm all 3 sessions to be attended

### Supporting Siblings - Virtual

Thursday 23rd February @ 6.30 - 8pm

