



Issue 5, May 2023

**End of Term Round-up**

Finally the weather has brightened up and it is beginning to feel a lot more like summer!

I have seen so much GREAT learning happening in school this half term and I am delighted to share some pictures of it with you later in this newsletter.

The children had their non-uniform day today, supporting the FROGS Summer Fair. Thank you for your donations and for such tremendous support for our PTA. If you have any time to spare, please do get in touch with the FROGS and offer to lend a hand at an event or two – they'd love to hear from you!

**House Points**

The children are still collecting their house points and at the moment **Emerald** House is in the lead with 1116 points. The rest of the houses are not far behind so the competition is again looking to be very close this term!

**School Lunches**

Please make sure that all school lunches are ordered before the start of the new term. The menu can be found on our website here: [Lunch Menu Spring 2023](#).

You must order your child's lunch by midnight the day before and there is no facility for pupils to order in school. If you forget to order your child's lunch online, please provide them with a packed lunch instead.

**Class Photos**

The photographer will be in school on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June** to take class group photos. She will also be taking individual photos of all our Year 6 children, which are a lovely keepsake of their final year at Great Hollands Primary. Please make sure all the children are in full uniform for photo day – and that they bring in their very best smiles!

**Goodbye to Miss Walker**

Today was Miss Walker's last day here at GHPS, she has been working around the school supporting children for the past few months, particularly in UKS2. She's off on her next adventure and we'd like to wish her all the best for her future plans.

**CALENDAR**

5 <sup>th</sup> June	Start of Term
From 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
From 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Screening Check
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 6 Enterprise Fete – more info to follow
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3/4 Trip to Winchester Science Centre
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Inset Day
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production – more info to follow
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Transition to Secondary Days (Bracknell Forest schools)
10 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Residential Trip to Runways End Outdoor Centre
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Prom
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Graduation Assembly End of Summer Term – school finishes at 2.15pm
20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET DAY
21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET DAY



### After School and Morning Club

The booking form for [after school and morning club](#) for next term is now available on our website or via this link – [Booking Form, Summer Term 2](#). Please can we ask that all sessions are booked at least 48 hours in advance as our clubs do get very busy and we may not always be able to fit in any last-minute bookings.

As we are at the end of the half term, all outstanding charges for after school and morning club should now be paid in full.



Can we also remind you that the session prices for morning and after school club will be increasing after the half term break. Full details can be found on the letter sent home last month, which can be found here: [Wraparound Care Price Increase Letter](#).

Wishing you all a safe and relaxing half term break.

**Richard Ferris**  
Headteacher

We look forward to welcoming you all back into  
school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June!

# Our GREAT Learning



## Year 6 Bikeability





# Learning in EYFS



# Learning in KS1





# Learning in KS2



## SEND Services Survey

We have been asked by the Bracknell Parent Carer Forum to share with you the link for this year's SEND Services Survey. They are collecting and comparing responses to last year's survey to gauge how things are going from the perspective of Bracknell Forest parents and carers.

The survey can be found on the following link: <https://forms.gle/xA8Ege4KPrAipPBc6>  
The deadline for the survey is Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May.





## Final Summer Discount Code for Uniform from Brigade

Our uniform supplier, Brigade, are offering one final chance for parents to obtain a 10% discount for all uniform sales **from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May**. You must enter the discount code **FINAL23** at the checkout in the discount code section to receive the discount on your purchase.

All uniform ordered before 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 will be delivered in time for the new school year. Orders placed after that date cannot be guaranteed to arrive before the start of term in September.

## Events at the Lexicon This Half Term

The Lexicon Bracknell has a fun and educational half term planned with its Bee Aware Week running from Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June. Events include:



- **Bee Trail** – visitors can search for flowers and bee facts hidden around the town centre for a chance to win one of three Bee hampers filled with a variety of products from retailers within the Lexicon.
- **Bee Craft** – Little Muddy Boots will be running classes every weekday in Princess Square which will be fun filled with craft, planting and will teach children all about the importance of bees and pollinators. The daily sessions run from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June for children aged 1-8 years and cost £4 per session. Each child will be given a craft to take home as well as a Bee Bomb and notebook. Spaces are limited so please book early via the link here: <https://littlemuddyboots.co.uk/lexicon/>
- **Bee Storytelling** – On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Jenny Bailey, author of 'Phoebe the Bee' will be holding bookable storytelling sessions in Fenwick, Waterstones and Bracknell Library at 11.00am, 12.00pm, 2.00pm and 3.00pm. Each session lasts about 20 minutes and each child will receive a free colouring sheet from the book and a notebook from the Lexicon. Places are free but must be booked via the lexicon website here: <https://www.thelexiconbracknell.com/events/bee-aware-2023> - Please only book for children attending the storytelling, adults will be required to stand.
- **Bee Sow Grow Sounds** – Sow Grow Sounds from CBBC Blue Peter will be bringing together the sowing of wildflower seeds, education, music, fun and games in Union Square (opposite Boots) from 10.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June and from 11.00am to 5.00pm on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June. This free activity is suitable for the whole family.

There will also be a visit from Optimus Prime on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May! He will be outside Princess Square adjacent to The Entertainer between 9.00am and 4.00pm in his truck form, disguised from any local Decepticons, but in perfect position for you to get a great Transformers photo with him!



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**Achieving Forever**



# FAMILY FUN AT READING MUSEUM

## SPRING HALF TERM

27 MAY – 3 JUNE  
(CLOSED BANK HOLIDAYS)

### ACTIVITY CART

All week, drop in, Free

### THE BIG BLUE EARTH TRAIL

Saturday 27 May onwards, £1 per trail.

### PAINTED PEBBLES

Tuesday 30 May, £4  
1-hour sessions: 10am, 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm.

### VICTORIAN SCHOOLROOM EXPERIENCE AT THE GATEWAY

Tuesday 30 May, £1  
11am & 2pm at the Abbey Gateway.  
Please note the Gateway has no step free access.

### MAKE & TAKE: RAINBOW RIBBON STREAMERS

Wednesday 31 May, £1, 30 minute sessions at 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm.

### CREATE A BUZZ OR A FLUTTER

Thursday 1 June, £4, 1-hour sessions at 10am, 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm.

## JUNE ACTIVITIES

### GAIA EXHIBITION: FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Saturday 10 – Sunday 18 June  
Visit the fantastic Gaia exhibition in the Concert Hall then join us in the Museum for some family fun

### GAIA CRAFT PACK

Saturday 10 – Sunday 18 June  
£3 per pack (£2 postage). Book in advance when you purchase your Gaia tickets:  
<https://www.whatsonreading.com/gaia>

### GAIA EXHIBITION: THE BIG BLUE EARTH TRAIL

Saturday 10 – Sunday 18 June, £1 per trail

### MUSEUMS, MY WAY

Every Saturday from 1 July  
Free, drop in  
We have created a breakout room, aimed at neurodivergent visitors and their families.




[readingmuseum.org.uk](http://readingmuseum.org.uk)



# FREE

Library Chess Club for players of all abilities and age  
at Great Hollands Library  
every Wednesday afternoon 3.30 – 4.30 pm



**Beginners especially welcome**

For further details please email Liam at [ninehorn@gmail.com](mailto:ninehorn@gmail.com)

or just turn up on the day!