



Updates this week...

ParentPay Lunch Ordering

We hope you have all now managed to activate your ParentPay accounts to enable online ordering of lunches, booking after school and morning club and payments for trips, etc. If you have any difficulty using the ParentPay website, please get in touch with the office who will do their best to help.

All parents should now be ordering lunches from home.

If you have not activated your ParentPay account, please do so now even if you do not need to order lunches at the moment. ParentPay will be used throughout your child's time at school, so it is important you have access to your account.

New Caterer, New Menu

Your children may have already told you all about the fabulous changes that have been made at lunchtimes and we'd love to share some pictures with you, so you can also see the amazing difference!



Attendance Certificates

At the end of last term, we celebrated the children who had received 98% or 100% attendance for the year in our end of term newsletter. Those children have all received their certificates in assembly today to celebrate such fantastic attendance.

We're excited to see how many children can achieve 98% and become members of our '98 club' or even attain 100% attendance this year!

From next week will be sharing lots of news from across the school – we can't wait for you to hear all about our GREAT learning!

Thank you for your continued support.

Richard Ferris
Headteacher

Open Events for Reception and Nursery Children

We are delighted to announce our Open Events for parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in 2025.



Open Morning (9:15am)

Friday 27 September

Monday 14 October

Tuesday 14 January

Open Morning (10.15am)

Wednesday 13 November

Open Evening (6:00pm)

Wednesday 27 November

Booking is required for this event. Please register using the [online form](#) on our website.



Do you have a child starting Nursery or Primary School in September 2025?

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.



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Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER 2024

Tuesday 24 th	Year 2: Great Fire of London Workshop in school – approximate cost £10 per pupil – letter to follow
Friday 27 th	Reception: Phonics Workshop – 2.30pm-3.00pm, entry via Silver Hall
	EYFS Open Event for parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in 2025 - 9.15am, click here to book your place

OCTOBER 2024

Wednesday 2 nd	Whole School: Individual Pupil Photos
Thursday 3 rd	Sibling Photos (pupils in school only)
Thursday 10 th	Anxiety Toolkit Workshop led by Bracknell Forest Family Learning, Session 1 of 3 – 1.00pm-3.00pm
Thursday 17 th	Anxiety Toolkit Workshop led by Bracknell Forest Family Learning, Session 2 of 3 – 1.00pm-3.00pm
Friday 18 th	Reception: Phonics Workshop – 2.30pm-3.00pm, entry via Silver Hall
Tuesday 22 nd	Year 5&6: Trip to Winchester Science Centre (approx. cost £15)
Wednesday 23 rd	Years R-6: Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 24 th	Anxiety Toolkit Workshop led by Bracknell Forest Family Learning, Session 3 of 3 – 1.00pm-3.00pm
	Reception: Harvest Celebration – 2.30pm-3.00pm in Silver Hall
Mon 28th October - Mon 4th November	HALF TERM BREAK

NOVEMBER 2024

Tuesday 5th	INSET DAY
Wednesday 6th	Children return to school – school starts at 8.45am, doors open at 8.40am
	FROGS PTA: Family Fireworks Display, details to follow
Wednesday 20 th	Reception: Family Learning English 'Busy Bags' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
Thursday 21 st	Year 1: Family Learning English 'Story Sandwich' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
Friday 22 nd	Year 2: Family Learning English 'Story Maps' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
	Reception: Phonics Workshop – 2.30pm-3.00pm, entry via Silver Hall



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



Sport4Kids at Great Hollands Primary School



10th September to 22nd October

GYMNASTICS & DANCE YR 3-6

Tuesday - 3:20PM - 4:25PM

BOOK NOW >>



11th September to 23rd October

FOOTBALL YR 1-2

Wednesday - 3:20PM - 4:25PM

BOOK NOW >>



12th September to 24th October

NERF CLUB YR 3-6

Thursday - 3:20PM - 4:25PM

BOOK NOW >>



13th September to 25th October

FOOTBALL YR 3-6

Friday - 3:20PM - 4:25PM

BOOK NOW >>

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Judo For Schools



GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, STARTING 11TH SEPTEMBER TO 23RD OCTOBER 2024
TIME FROM 3:15 TO 4:15 PM

THE COST FOR THE COURSE IS £45.50 FOR 7 WEEKS

All bookings are made via email to: JudoForSchools@judoclubosaka.com

Please include the following information in your email:

Subject Line of email: <Name of school>

Student's Name: Year Group & Class:

Any medical/allergy information or anything else that we need to know about:

My child will be collected from the school hall OR Walk home on their own?

Emergency Contact Details:

Your Name: Phone Number:

Second Contact Name: Phone Number:

Payment Method: Bank Transfer

Payment will be via bank transfer. Details of how to pay will be forwarded to you once the place has been confirmed. Failure to pay before the start of the course will forfeit the place.

Please note that places are limited to 30 students per course; places will be allocated on a first-come-first-serve basis, as we operate an ongoing progressive course. You will be notified by email as to whether your child has a place or not.

Once your child has a place, they should wear jogging bottoms and preferably a long sleeved t-shirt. It is also advisable that your child has a named water bottle with them.

By applying for a place you are accepting that Judo For Schools coaches cannot be held responsible for injury or loss/damage to personal property.

Judo For Schools is compliant with the EU GDPR legislation.
The data collected is for our use only and never shared with any third parties.

Supporting Your Children Workshops

To book a space please email your full name to Inge.Taylor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk
 These sessions are universal (not specific for SEND) and for adults supporting **not** the children themselves so **please arrange childcare if needed**
 Each course is a **standalone 2-hour session** - please be aware that spaces are offered on a **first come first served basis** and parents should not just turn up.
 Once you have completed an enrolment form your space will be 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 or let me know if you can no longer attend.

Helping children to overcome anxious thoughts and worries.

A 2-hour session looking at:

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



Thursday 26th September 2024 6.30 – 8.30 pm

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Monday 7th October 2024 9.30 – 11.30 am

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Managing Behaviour in a Positive Way

A 2-hour session looking at:

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



Monday 16th September 2024 6.30 – 8.30 pm

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Tuesday 5th November 2024 9.30 – 11.30 am

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

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.



Monday 9th September 2024 9.30 – 11.30 am

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Thursday 17th October 2024 6.30 – 8.30 pm

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Parenting pre / early-teens in a Positive Way (aged 10 – 13)

A 2-hour session looking at:

- Gain insight into the impact of your parenting style!
- Positive techniques for managing older children's behaviour.
- Boosting your relationship and communication with your child.



Wednesday 2nd October 2024 6.30 – 8.30 pm

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Encouraging Resilience – Keep Calm and Bounce Back

A 2-hour session looking at:

- How to build your child's natural resilience.
- Encouraging your child's positive social skills.
- Encouraging children out of their comfort zone and not to give up.



Monday 30th September 2024 9.30 – 11.30 am

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Wednesday 23rd October 2024 6.30 – 8.30 pm
 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

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



Tuesday 17th September 2024 6.30 – 8.30 pm
 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Thursday 7th November 2024 9.30 – 11.30 am
 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Single Parent, Separated and Blended families – supporting children to cope with different family dynamics.

A 2-hour session looking at:

- Different family dynamics and how they can work.
- Parental conflict resolutions
- Being the best parent that you can be for your child



Tuesday 24th September 2024 9.30 – 11.30 am
 @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

Supporting a smooth secondary school Transition (YR 5/6 parents)

A 2-hour session looking at:

- What the transition involves
- The positives and concerns of transitioning to a new setting
- Boosting your child's ability to have a smooth transition



Please let me know if you would like to go on the waiting list for future sessions

Supporting a smooth transition from Year R to Year 1 and beyond (not school specific)

A 2-hour session looking at:

- What's involved in transition from reception to year 1.
- The best ways to support the transition.
- Boosting your child's resilience to cope with the change



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