

## Curriculum Enrichments this week...



### Exploring Senses in Year 1

Children in Foxes class have been exploring their five senses this week.

They have also been doing some improvisation in music using the instruments.



## GREAT Learning about the Great Fire of London!

Y2 have enjoyed learning all about the Great Fire of London this half term. Here is some of the amazing home learning the pupils have completed. Well done to all who have completed their topic home learning.



## Goldsworthy Artwork in Year 3&4

The children in Years 3&4 have been learning about the artist and sculptor Andy Goldsworthy. Through the lessons the children have learnt how Goldsworthy uses natural materials to create artwork in a natural landscape. They took inspiration from his creations in the natural world, and created their own masterpieces using leaves, stones, flowers and twigs. Can you tell what they are?



## Sci-fi Stories in Years 5&6

This week in Year 5&6 the children have started writing their own sci-fi stories and have watched a video clip for inspiration. They have been focusing on including tension and suspense in their writing through a range of techniques such as short sentences and ellipsis. When they have completed their work, they will publish it on the writing wall – we're sure the children will love telling you all about their ideas!

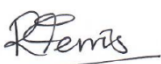


## Important – School Lunches from Monday

Please remember that we will be unable to order lunches in school from Monday. All lunches must be **ordered from home by 9.00am on the day.**

If you need help with ParentPay, please call into the school office for assistance.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend and thank you for your continued support.



**Richard Ferris**  
Headteacher

## Flu Vaccinations


The School Immunisation Team will be in school next Wednesday (23<sup>rd</sup>) to deliver the flu vaccinations to children in Years R-6.

Reminders were sent out to all parents who hadn't completed the form earlier this week. The links for the online consent forms are in the letter that was attached to the email.

If you are receiving a message saying the form has closed, please double check that the school code has been entered without any added spaces or full stops. The school code is **BK144628**

**The consent form for vaccinations will close at 9.00am on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.**

## Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)



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**Parents & Carers**

**We want your feedback!**

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**TAKE THE SURVEY**



 PINS is a national project funded by NHS England in partnership with the Department for Education, Department of Health & Social Care & the National Network of Parent Carer Forums 

The Parent Carer Survey to support the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project is now open. We are calling on **ALL** parents/carers to complete the survey, please go to link for our school here <https://www.bracknellpcf.com/pins>

In less than 5 minutes you can provide our school with valuable insight from your experiences, helping us to plan and improve for the future. We are working in partnership with our local Parent Carer Forums to gather and review the feedback.

If you have more than one child attending the school, then you may complete the survey for the number of children you have at the school.

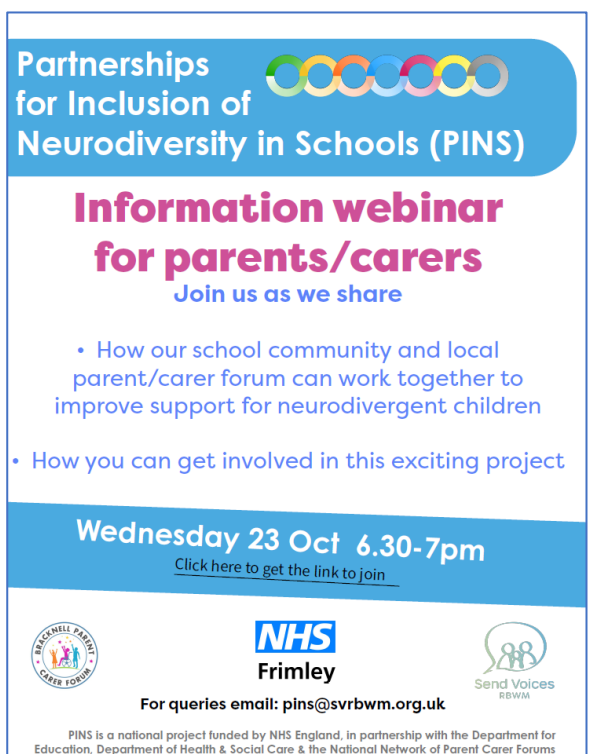
**The survey closes on Tuesday 5 November at midday**

Due to popular demand, there is an additional session to share information with parent/carers.

Audience: ALL parent and carers from our school

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
6.30pm-7.00pm

To sign up to attend, please click the image to the right.



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Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)




**Information webinar  
for parents/carers**

Join us as we share

- How our school community and local parent/carer forum can work together to improve support for neurodivergent children
- How you can get involved in this exciting project

**Wednesday 23 Oct 6.30-7pm**

[Click here to get the link to join](#)

For queries email: [pins@svrbwm.org.uk](mailto:pins@svrbwm.org.uk)

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### Attendance Stars

Classes with the highest attendance this week:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Hawks (98.8%)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Foxes (97.8%)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Panthers (97.7%)



### Monster Offer from our Uniform Supplier



**10% OFF EVERYTHING!**  
ends midnight on halloween

ENTER PROMO CODE:

**SPOOKY10**

AT CHECKOUT

# Christmas is just around the Corner!



## Opportunity to enter this year's Christmas Card Competition.

The Mayor of Bracknell Forest is launching a competition for primary school children in the borough, to design her Christmas card. The competition is open to all children of Primary school age who attend a school in Bracknell Forest.

The Mayor will choose the winning design to use as her official Christmas card.

The Mayor is looking for a design that not only celebrates Christmas, but also reminds us of the beauty of Bracknell Forest.

To enter the contest, send in an original design on A4 paper/card. The card can be created with any medium, including a collage of recycled materials. The back of the design should be clearly marked with the pupil's name, age and school. Only one entry per pupil, unnamed designs cannot be considered. The winners will receive a prize! First prize is a £20 gift voucher and a copy of your design printed as a card, plus there are two runners up prizes of a £15 gift voucher each.

Please send entries from your school to Mayoral Support Officer, at [mayor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto:mayor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk), or post to her at Bracknell Forest Council, Time Square, Market Street, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 1JD by **Monday, 11 November 2024**.

We will contact the winners' schools as soon as possible after the closing date and the Mayor will visit the schools to personally present the prizes to the winners.



*Good luck!*





# Diary Dates

## OCTOBER 2024

Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Year 5&amp;6:</b> Trip to Winchester Science Centre
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Years R-6:</b> Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Anxiety Toolkit Workshop led by Bracknell Forest Family Learning, Session 3 of 3 – 1.00pm-3.00pm
	<b>Reception:</b> Harvest Celebration – 2.30pm-3.00pm in Gold Hall
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nursery, Reception, Years 1-4:</b> Diwali Workshop
<b>Mon 28<sup>th</sup> October - Mon 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>HALF TERM BREAK</b>

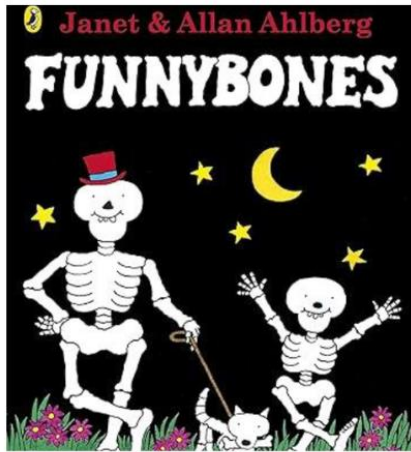
## NOVEMBER 2024

<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Children return to school – school starts at 8.45am, doors open at 8.40am</b>
	<b>FroGS PTA:</b> Family Fireworks Display, flyer later in the newsletter
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Open Event for parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in 2024 – 10.15am, click <a href="#">here</a> for information
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Reception:</b> Family Learning English 'Busy Bags' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Year 1:</b> Family Learning English 'Story Sandwich' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Year 2:</b> Family Learning English 'Story Maps' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
	<b>Reception:</b> Phonics Workshop – 2.45pm-3.15pm, entry via Silver Hall
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Open Event for parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in 2024 – 6.00pm, click <a href="#">here</a> for information
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FroGS PTA: Year 1-3</b> Film Night, details to follow
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> to Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec.	Book Fair in School – open after school every day, 3.00pm-3.30pm

## DECEMBER 2024

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Reception:</b> Nativity Performance for Parents – 2.00pm in Gold Hall
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Years R-6:</b> Christmas Lunch and Festive Jumper Day
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>End of Term – school finishes at 2.15pm</b>

Join us at GREAT HOLLANDS Library this Hallowe'en for an EXTRA special...



## Spooktacular Tots time!

Spooky songs & rhymes + Funnybones Storytime + Colouring & Craft

Friday 25th October 9.30am

Suggested £1.50 per child donation to the Library



## Virtual Coffee Morning - Demand Avoidance

Friday 22nd November

10am to 11:15am

25 spaces available!

Join our online informal discussion to cover the following areas:

- How do you frame demands to get your child engaged?
- How does demand avoidance affect your lives?
- How do you navigate daily routines with demand avoidance?

Please note this is not a workshop but support group for parent/carers and any medical advice should be sought from your medical practitioner.



**Sign Up Today!**

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)

To book your place contact GEMS:



Gems.4Health@nhs.net



0800 999 1342



<p>ADHD Course</p> <p>A 3-week course</p>	<p>Hosted by Parenting Special Children:</p> <p><b>Session 1:</b> Provides an insight into what ADHD is. Learn about the challenges &amp; concerns often raised. Explore strengths and opportunities related to ADHD.</p> <p><b>Session 2:</b> Learn to understand children's anxiety and how this relates to ADHD.</p> <p><b>Session 3:</b> Gain an understanding of attention deficit behaviours &amp; how to manage these.</p>	<p><b>ADHD SUPPORT</b></p> <p>For Parents &amp; carers of children aged 3 and over, primary &amp; secondary school aged children.</p>	<p><b>Online:</b></p> <p>Thursday 14th, 21st and 28th November 2024.</p>	<p>7 - 9pm</p>	<p><a href="#">Book Here</a></p>
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GREAT HOLLANDS  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



# Open Events

## 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.



[www.greathollandsprimary.co.uk](http://www.greathollandsprimary.co.uk)



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FRoGs presents,

Great Hollands Primary School

# FAMILY FIREWORK DISPLAY

## Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Gate opens at 6pm.  
Fireworks start at 7pm.

All Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.



Glow Stall

Tickets in advance £6.00 each  
Family Ticket (family of 4) £20.00.  
Tickets on the night £7.00 each  
Family Ticket on the night £22.00.

BBQ and refreshments on sale

Advance Tickets on sale from 7<sup>th</sup> October to 25<sup>th</sup> October, there after via email by 5<sup>th</sup> November

Please give your slips and correct money in at the main reception,  
Please email us at [frogspta@gmail.com](mailto:frogspta@gmail.com) for more information.

**STRICTLY: NO SMOKING, NO ALCOHOL, NO PETS**  
**NO PERSONAL FIREWORKS or SPARKLERS ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Fireworks provided and set up by "Sonning firework Ltd"