Curriculum Enrichments…

Diwali Workshop
Before the half-term break, we were delighted to welcome Dev from WiseMoves Dance into school who ran Diwali dance workshops throughout the day for children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1-4. Dev told us that he was really impressed by how quickly the children (and staff) picked up the dance moves and everyone had a really GREAT learning experience.

LEST WE FORGET
REMEMBRANCE DAY
11 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day
On Monday 11th November, children who are part of an organisation such as Beavers, Cubs, Guides, Brownies, etc. will be able to wear their scouting uniforms in place of their school uniform if they wish to do so, to commemorate Remembrance Day. All other pupils should come to school in their normal school uniform.
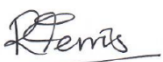
Colder Weather – Named Coats Needed!
As the colder weather is now upon us, can you please make sure that children come to school with a warm, **named** coat, suitable for the weather.

School Photos – 12th November
Please don't forget that photo orders must be placed by Tuesday 12th November either via school with the ordering envelope or online. Late orders can only be placed online and will incur postage fees.

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

Richard Ferris
Headteacher

A Fantastic Fireworks Display – Thanks To Our Fabulous FRoGS

On Wednesday, our amazing PTA ran another incredible event to raise money for our school. The playground was packed with families who came along to watch the brilliant display provided by Sonning Fireworks. We'd like to say a massive thank you to all the helpers involved in making the event possible. We're pleased to share that the night made over **£800** profit this year, so thank you to everyone who came along to support us!

Our PTA are always keen to welcome new volunteers to help with events, planning and fundraising ideas. If you have some free time and would be interested in dedicating some to help support our school with the brilliant FRoGS team, please get in touch with them via email to frogspta@gmail.com or via their Facebook page – they would love to hear from you!

Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)

Calling ALL Parents and Carers!

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 regardless of your children's SEN needs, 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 Sunday 10th November at 11.59pm

Attendance Stars
Classes with the highest attendance this week:
1st Place – Tigers (96.1%)
2nd Place – Hedgehogs (95.4%)
3rd Place – Panthers (95.2%)

Christmas is just around the Corner!

The Mayor of Bracknell Forest
Cllr Jenny Penfold

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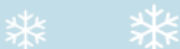
The Mayor will choose the winning design to use as her official Christmas card.

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, 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

NOVEMBER 2024	
Wednesday 13th	EYFS Open Event for parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in 2024 – 10.15am, click here for information
Wednesday 20th	**Reception:** Family Learning English 'Busy Bags' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
Thursday 21st	**Year 1:** Family Learning English 'Story Sandwich' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
Friday 22nd	**Year 2:** Family Learning English 'Story Maps' Workshop – 9.00am-10.30am
	Reception: Phonics Workshop – 2.45pm-3.15pm, entry via Silver Hall
Wednesday 27th	EYFS Open Event for parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in 2024 – 6.00pm, click here for information
Thursday 28th	**FRoGS PTA: Year 1-3** Film Night, details to follow
Tuesday 26th to Monday 2nd Dec.	Book Fair in School – open after school every day, 3.00pm-3.30pm
DECEMBER 2024	
Tuesday 17th	**Reception:** Nativity Performance for Parents – 2.00pm in Gold Hall
Wednesday 18th	**Years R-6:** Christmas Lunch and Festive Jumper Day
Friday 20th	**End of Term – school finishes at 2.15pm**

GREAT HOLLANDS
PRIMARY SCHOLL

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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   01344 424911   ghpsoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org

GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2024

STALL HOLDERS WANTED

please email frogspta@gmail.com