



# Newsletter

Spring Term 12th February  
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Dear Parents and Carers,  
No news yet as to Government plans but here is our up-dated recovery planning so far. But a huge well done. You are still amazing us every day with your and your children's resilience. You make us so proud, but don't feel like you can't ask us for help.

Raffle—see page 2. We are very pleased to say we can hold a second raffle with the extra prizes.

Masks— To stay inline with the majority of other schools and to follow the science we ask visitors to wear a mask onsite. We ask everyone inside and out to wear a reasonable face covering. *Why?* A mask stops a sneeze / cough travelling. You protect others. Whilst the science says that masks outside are not as useful, your proximity to other adults on pick up is still higher than being on your own. It is not the same as just going for a walk.

If you are unable to do so please email in with medical evidence. Doctors will provide this at a cost, or you can purchase exemption lanyards. This way you won't be approached by our staff. This is a reasonable request to help reduce anxiety of adults on site, including those of visiting parents. Thank you to those who've already sent evidence or always wear a properly fitted mask.

Fancy Dress Friday – no theme, no cost, just silly. Thank you for playing too.

Theme of week— Some people had asked for the themes to be reintroduced to help give focus. Whilst it won't be taking away from current Tapestry or Seesaw Work, we are more than happy to help. Here is the first . Send pictures to secretary@ email

Stay well and stay safe. Liz Savage Headteacher



Rainbows of Jennett's Park

[Go to this Sway](#)



# Raffle for Kings College

£1 per ticket

All proceeds to Kings College

Purchasable via sQuid cost centre.

We will email you your numbers  
after purchase.

## Prizes so far include:

Nintendo Switch, personalised baby clothes

Draw filmed on 12th March pm  
and all winners contacted.

Numbers generated by automatic  
number generator

# Fancy Dress Friday



Dear work,

I have been given permission to come to work today dressed up in random fancy dress clothes by my school's Head Teacher, Mrs Elizabeth Savage. It is all in the name of silliness and making us feel a bit better in these dark times. So far the school has seen pirates, spiders, bananas and many many superheroes.

Today I have chosen to dress as .....  
( insert costume here).

I know I have to make phone calls/attend meetings and conduct other elements of my personal and professional daily life but please support me in just laughing with me. Why not join in too?

No theme, no money , just silly. Every Friday until this is over.



# Nursery places available for a September 2021 start

30 hour places available from  
September 2021

Purpose built and recently  
refurbished, vibrant classroom

Led by a fully trained class teacher  
and a team of highly qualified staff

Spacious outdoor area with covered  
space for all year round access

Find out how we make sure every child has the skills to  
flourish and achieve

[jennettpark.bracknell-forest.sch.uk/school-tour](http://jennettpark.bracknell-forest.sch.uk/school-tour)

Have a question?  
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# Race for Life

Thank you to Miss Knowles for organising the race for life.



On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February we competed a Race for Life, it was a very cold morning, the children from Nursery- Year 6 completed an intense walk/run. They all did an amazing job and received their medals. A special well done to Isla in Yellowhammers for winning the prize for best attitude and perseverance during the event. Maya in Parakeets for the best outfit of the day. Hollie (Parakeets) and Ria (Mockingbirds) for raising the most money in the entire school. Finally, Cassius for being the overall champion and running consecutively the entire 30 minutes and running a total distance of 3 miles.

A massive thank you to everyone who has donated, we have exceeded our target total and currently raised £835.00. Miss Knowles



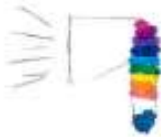
# Race For Life

We needed to dress up in pink because that's their colour.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021

So about it's Xanthia I have come in to tell you about race for life to raise money for cancer research at Jennetts park (E primary school) made by our teacher Miss Knowles.

Our expectation was 8 laps most of us managed it but some of us (me) only did 7, we had 25 minutes to do it in. Once we completed it we all got a medal.



Mrs Butcher used the rainbow flag to cheer us on.

So far we're at 600 but hopefully we can raise more. Even the teachers were dressed up in pink.



We all got medals at the end.



**THE CONCEPT**  
Paula Radcliffe and the Events of the North team have adapted the essence and concept of Paula's Families on Track into a school holiday programme for Berkshire. A simple challenge that complements the work of the School Games across all school age groups.

This is a concept devised by Paula with the aim of offering an opportunity for the whole family to enjoy a safe, fun and competitive activity as a unit together.

In a nod to her former World Record Marathon time of 2 hours 15 (25 secs) Paula will challenge children and their families to complete a MINIMUM of 2 hours 15 minutes of exercise TOGETHER across the week of half term.



- 1 Pick ANY type of PHYSICAL ACTIVITY and make sure that MORE THAN ONE family member joins in
- 2 Log your activity in whichever way you find the easiest, a simple watch or exercise apps (such as Strava/Apple Fitness/Fitbit), design a family activity chart or a simple pen and paper design will work – integrate it as fun project, with some basic maths thrown in to calculate the families' progress
- 3 The physical activity duration reflects the TIME THE FAMILY UNIT (min of 2 people) takes to complete it, NOT a combined total. e.g., If 4 members of the family walk the dog for 30 mins, this is 30 MINS towards the family total, not 2 hours
- 4 USE the videos from Paula or our ideas suggested for family fun activities
- 5 Please stress the importance of adhering to current government COVID-19 guidelines regarding exercising and social distancing
- 6 Once the magical target of 2 hours 15 mins of activity has been completed you've achieved PAULA'S CHALLENGE – WELL DONE but don't stop there, keep going and top up the total as much as possible!
- 7 Please share your family activities with us on social, @berkshiregames and @familiesontrack1 on Twitter, @familiesontrack on Instagram. The more unique and diverse the better!

Please submit your scores directly to [Paula's Two 15 Challenge - Family Form \(google.com\)](#)

The Lexicon has a great half term project

### The Lexicon Bracknell

The Lexicon is delighted to announce new community art project in Princess Square to recognise that while the last year has been difficult for us all... there will be brighter days ahead!

As spring approaches, the days get brighter and the leaves return to the trees, The Lexicon is encouraging the community to come together to help to grow it's own special Handprint Tree.

Over the next ten weeks, **children, adults and budding artists** are being asked to download a template for The Lexicon Handprint Tree. Designs should be created using the colours of the rainbow, helping the tree to grow with gorgeous leaves, as the brighter days approach.



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There will be brighter day

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Wellbeing booklet A great free printable booklet for you here

[WellbeingBooklet\\_2021.pdf](http://WellbeingBooklet_2021.pdf)  
([jennettpark.bracknell-forest.sch.uk](http://jennettpark.bracknell-forest.sch.uk))

Big star count this weekend

<https://www.cpre.org.uk/what-we-care-about/nature-and-landscapes/dark-skies/star-count-2021/>

Unicorn Theatre [www.unicorntheatre.com](http://www.unicorntheatre.com)

As you know we love the theatre. Here is a free link to some amazing plays. What's On - Unicorn Theatre



# Pages for Parents

**THE  
READING  
AGENCY**



**READING  
FRIENDS  
READING  
WELL**

Reading Friends **Tackling**

## **loneliness and supporting mental health through the proven power of reading**

The Reading Agency is proud to announce their new campaign Reading Friends, an initiative to combat loneliness and promote wellbeing through the proven power of reading during the

Talking Therapies is a free NHS service here to support the residents of Berkshire aged 17+ who may be struggling with difficulties including: low mood, anxiety and stress at this unprecedented time.

We are currently offering a 4 week Stress Less course which you can access via the comfort of your own home. Please see attached leaflet for more information. If you would like to book onto the next available course please click on this [link](#).

To find out more about the services offered by Talking Therapies please [visit their website](#).



## Being Mum

Being an expectant mum or a mum with young children can often feel lonely and isolating. In fact, **more than half of parents experience feelings of loneliness and isolation.**

If you feel that you might benefit from some compassionate, non-judgemental and confidential support, we are here for you.

Home-Start Bracknell Forest can offer a range of support including: -

- A small and caring 6 week virtual support group
- One-to-one friendly weekly volunteer support
- Whats'App group chat and support
- One-to-one wellbeing walks



**NEW** virtual and online support group **starting Weds 17th Feb**

Call us on 07309 055616  
office@hsbf.org.uk  
#HOMESTARTBRACKNELLFORST

#### WHAT OTHER MUMS HAVE SAID:

"I wish that my every day could start with a Mums in Mind"

"I really loved the different crafts and having some time to myself. I feel better about myself and in being a mum."

"I realised that I am not alone in the way I feel and I have learnt ways to cope"

"I was sad when I first met you and now I'm happy"

"I am feeling more confident and am now looking into joining other groups. My partner has noticed a difference in me too"

"I feel happier. The course has given me something to do every week and I feel so much better for it. I like myself more than I did before"

"The course made me feel less isolated and more normal. I now know that I am not the only one that feels this way"

"It has allowed me to have a more positive outlook at parenthood. I wish the course was longer"

"You made the course sound good, but I would like to say that, it's actually awesome"

"A feel a little lighter emotionally. I feel less alone and more normal"



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# HOME START

Bracknell Forest

## MUMS IN MIND

A POSTNATAL WELLBEING GROUP FOR  
MUMS



#### FEELING THE 'BABY BLUES'?

Following the birth of a baby it is usual to feel emotional whilst you adjust to motherhood. Sometimes these feelings persist and become worse. Meeting other mums, who feel the same, and learning about how to manage the way you feel could prevent you from feeling worse. Approximately 20% of mums will develop a mental health illness whilst pregnant or within the first year of their child's birth - it is NOT rare!

#### WHAT IS A MUMS IN MIND COURSE?

A small group of mums who feel the same meet up for two hours for six weeks. Our professional crèche are on-hand (close by) to care for the children, giving mums a break. Our trained staff will talk through weekly topics, new ways of thinking and methods of dealing with negative thoughts and feelings.

The group is confidential and relaxed and will focus on the feelings of unhappiness, anger, isolation, anxiety and the disappointment of not feeling as elated as expected further to becoming a mum.



#### WE PROMISE CONFIDENTIALITY

Any information about you will be treated with the utmost respect, confidentiality, and where possible it will be anonymised. What you say in our Mums in Mind group will stay within those walls and be confidential except in very rare circumstances.

We will visit you at home before the course so that you can get to know us and find out whether our group will be suitable for you, if not, then we can discuss other options.

We aim to help you build up your confidence and coping strategies during the six session course. Home-Start Bracknell will continue to support you once the course ends, should you still need us, or we can help you to find other nearby support groups.

#### WHEN IS OUR NEXT COURSE?

Contact us for the next course dates; they are subject to having the necessary funding, trained staff, number of mums and access to a suitable venue.

#### HOW TO RECEIVE OUR SUPPORT?

If you feel that you could benefit from our group, please contact us directly or ask your Midwife, Health Visitor or GP to complete a referral form via the 'Getting Support' tab on our website. A member of the team will telephone you for a chat and arrange a convenient time to visit you, in your home, to discuss the course. You are under no pressure to accept a place and if the course does not sound right for you, then other available options will be discussed. Your attendance on our course will only be known by us, you and the person who referred you (if any).

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

In every session we plan to provide:

A different craft activity

The same Home-Start Bracknell co-ordinators

CBT techniques

The same venue

The opportunity for you to meet other mums who feel the same as you

A friendly, relaxed and non-judgemental atmosphere

Confidentiality

Regular and on going contact with Home-Start Reading

#### WEEKLY TOPICS

We will discuss different topics and encourage ideas and coping strategies. Topics covered are:

Relaxation, stress, worries, parenting, routine, anxiety, attachment, anger, loss of yourself and the future.



What a talent!

It was really easy to follow using paint by numbers, but it took weeks to complete as you need a steady hand! It was very relaxing. I was influenced to obviously choose something cat related as that's my obsession, and I love the colours as it reminds me of the rainbow promise.

Isla Y6





# Hopes, Wishes and Prayers

In a time where unfortunately we cannot all come together to worship and celebrate, we thought it would be lovely for the children to contribute their Hopes, Wishes and Prayers to show our love to our community on a weekly basis.

Please send in your submissions to: [secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk](mailto:secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk).

**We can't wait to showcase your hopes, wishes and prayers and come together (albeit virtually) when everything else is keeping us apart!**

We would love for you to get creative! You could write, draw, create a presentation, create a piece of artwork or perform your hope, wish and prayer via video. **Here's an example of a hope, a wish and a prayer:**

I hope for all my family and friends to stay healthy, safe and happy.

I wish for my school family to flourish even when we are not together.

Dear God, I ask you to please keep our school family healthy and safe. Although we are all apart, please give us the strength to carry on and let our Rainbow Promise shine through us every day. Amen.

## Hopes wishes and Prayers

There were so many this week we made a page



[Go to this Sway](#)

Outstanding Owl and Rainbow Promise Learners  
Each week children are chosen for showing Owl learning behaviours or following our Rainbow Promise.



Our Rainbow Promise underpins everything we do at school. Just as the Rainbow was a sign of God's promise to Noah that from that moment God would enable Noah and the people of the earth to flourish and experience life in all its fullness. So as a school community we promise to do our best to enable all the pupils and adults of our school to flourish academically and professionally so that they might reach their potential.

The Rainbow is also a symbol of the diversity of our school community, but as a church school we recognise that we are all created and valued by God, and so as a school community we commit to care for and value each other.



The dove symbolises our need to persevere in some aspects of life as it is not always the first time we find success. It was not the first time that Noah had tried to find dry land and so we much seek strength within ourselves and from God to achieve.

♥ Love



Honesty

/// Respect

☮ Peace

☞ Forgiveness

⌚ Patience



Support

😊 Kindness & Joy



These are our Values we try to live each day

Our Owl Learning Behaviours are:

C - Collaboration

O - Optimism

P - Perseverance

P - Pride

I - Inspiration

C - Challenge

MD - Managing Distractions





Our Rainbow Moments this week are . . .

Robins	Charlie
Woodpeckers	Oliver W
Stonechats	Jessica
Whinchats	Noah
Canaries	Noah
Yellowhammers	Esme
Greenjays	Jessica S
Parakeets	Chloe
Kingfishers	Arianna
Macaws	Holly
Mockingbirds	Charlotte
Peacocks	Imogen W
Sabrewings	Zach
Sunbirds	Holly E

Our Owl Learners this week are . . .

Robins	Vivaan G & Lily-May
Woodpeckers	Lilah-Mai & Jack
Stonechats	Burhan
Whinchats	Lily
Canaries	Rupert
Yellowhammers	Josh T & Ben K
Greenjays	Yeswanth
Parakeets	Ellie
Kingfishers	Jason
Macaws	Tilly
Mockingbirds	Georgia
Peacocks	Max
Sabrewings	Ellen
Sunbirds	Ella

### Items we need at JPCE

Item	Deliver to
Plastic Bottle ends for yearly Remembrance display	Office
Puppets/ Dressing up clothes	Mrs Savage
Lego	Office
Storage boxes/ trolleys	Office
Labelled plants and seedlings for around school	Mrs Savage
Prams	EYFS
Clean Toys	Drop off table



## Dates for your Diary

Monday 15th –19 February 2021	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Thursday 4th March 2021	World Book Day
Monday 8th March 2021	International Women's Day Potential date for all Children Return to School as guided by Government
Tuesday 16th March 2021	Year 3/4 Performance times tbc
Wednesday 17th March 2021	Year 3/4 Performance times tbc
Friday 19th March 2021	<b>Comic Relief Day</b>
Friday 26 March 2021	Pause Day
Tuesday 30th March 2021	<b>Parents' Evening tbc</b>
Wednesday 31st March 2021	<b>Parents' Evening tbc</b>
Thursday 1st April 2021	<b>END OF TERM - 1.30pm</b>
Monday 19th April 2021	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Tuesday 20th April 2021	Children Return to School
Thursday 22nd April 2021	Earth Day and Green Day
Monday 3rd May 2021	<b>Early May Bank Holiday</b>
Friday 7th May 2021	VE Day
Monday 24th May 2021	Art Week
Wednesday 26th May 2021	Pause Day
Thursday 27th May 2021	Y6 20p Fayre
Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Monday 7th June 2021	Children return to school
Tuesday 8th June 2021	Y2 Dinosaur Workshop
Friday 11th June 2021	Sports Day
Friday 18th June 2021	Reserve Sports Day
Monday 21st June 2021	International Week
Wednesday 30th June 2021	Ready for Life Day - Year 6
Friday 2nd July 2021	Sports Day Extra Reserve Day M&M Classic Theatre Alice in Wonderland tbc Reports go Home
Tuesday 13th July 2021	Yr 6 Summer Performance 4pm
Thursday 15th July 2021	Yr 6 Summer Performance - 6pm
Friday 16th July 2021	Yr 6 Leavers Service - 9.30 am
Monday 19th July 2021	Grand Day In - Whole School Picnic
Tuesday 20th July 2021	<b>TERM ENDS - 1.30pm</b>

Term Dates 2021 2022	
Autumn Term	
Professional Train-	Wednesday 1st September 2021Day 1
Start of Term	Thursday 2nd September 2021 Children return
Half Term	Monday 25th October – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
End of Term	Friday 17th December 2021 end 1:30
Spring Term 2022	
Professional Train-	Monday 3rd January 2022 Day 2
Start of Term	Tuesday 4th January 2022
Half Term	Monday 14th February – Friday 18th February 2022
End of Term	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022 end 1:30
Summer Term 2022	
Professional Train-	Tuesday 19th April 2022 Day 3
Start of Term	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Half Term	Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June 2022
End of Term	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July end 1:30

# Jennett's Park School PTA

## VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE

### 7TH-14TH FEB 2021

[tinyurl.com/jpballoonrace](http://tinyurl.com/jpballoonrace)

Buy a virtual balloon  
Race across our island  
Race against family, friends  
or even your classmates!  
Balloons £1.50 each



#### Jennett's Park PTA

## 6 reasons why your PTA really matters



*"I love to see my mum in school helping at the fun events the PTA run for us."*



### 1. For the kids

Being active in the PTA not only improves your child's school but makes you an excellent role model. Research confirms what we've always known: when children see us involved in their school and learning, it encourages them to do their best.



*"Through being a part of the PTA I've really got to know the school and have confidence in them to get it right."*



### 2. It builds trust

Becoming part of the PTA is a great way to get to know other parents and teachers while gaining an insight into the workings of the school. With parents and teachers striving towards the same goals, the parent group is instrumental in making a real difference in the school life of all children.



*"It's great that we finally have some decent kit at school for a change."*



### 3. It raises welcome funds

Whether it's creating an outdoor classroom, stocking the science lab with new Bunsen burners or arranging a visit from a top author, the funds raised from your activities impact massively on the opportunities and experiences of all the children at school.

## 6 reasons why your PTA really matters



*"I felt great when the head teacher asked the PTA for our views on the new school uniform policy. It made me feel listened to."*



### 4. It gives you a voice

Many PTAs already act as a consultative group for the school leaders and governors. So whether it's deciding on where PTA funds are spent or getting parent views on wraparound care, you can make sure parents have a voice in how your school operates.



*"We've been able to really grow the sale of the PTA with some great local contacts."*



### 5. It forges connections beyond the school gates

PTAs are brilliant for building relationships with the local community, from events, sponsorships from local businesses, and mentions in local press. Some Parentkind members have worked with local employees to run career fairs.



*"I've been able to use my design skills to help the school, it feels great to be able to make a difference."*



### 6. It's good for you!

Every parent has plenty to offer a PTA, and whether it's being on the committee, helping out at events or organising meetings, your talents will be put to good use. As well as being enjoyable and satisfying, you can build your confidence and learn new skills too.