



Newsletter

Autumn Term 15th December 2023
secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk
John 10:10 Live life in all its fullness



Dear Parents and Carers,

[Please support GET RAFI HOME appeal for the Amer family in our school community.](#)



A long list of thanks you's and my Christmas letter on the next page.

Thank you for those who helped with us living life in its fullness (and in no special order):

PTA Fair, Reindeer Run, helping with paying for experiences such as Felt making and Drone workshops, dressing children up for causes such as Showing racism Red card and Hello yellow day, paying for trips, buying a lunch, having our Christmas dinner, transporting to sporting events, reading with children in school, helping with making Christingles, helping with maths lessons, attending parents evenings, buying cakes in cake sales, donating to our many causes, giving items to our THRIVE table, visiting our scarecrows, coming in to see the books, watching performances—Phew and that was a non exhaustive list....You are wonderful.

Three Presents– firstly, a slightly extended half term next Autumn 2024 to give families time to get away. [Term Dates | Jennett's Park \(bonitas.org.uk\)](#)

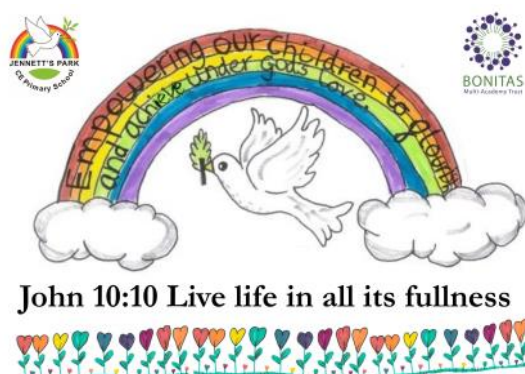
Secondly, we have been sponsored by Bracknell Leisure for free swimming in January [Adopt a school free swimming | Jennett's Park \(bonitas.org.uk\)](#)

Thirdly, we are launching 3–4 year old spaces for Nightowls in wraparound in January- [After School Activities | Jennett's Park \(bonitas.org.uk\)](#)

See you on gate and keep well.

Liz Savage, Headteacher

P.S. Please remember 1:30pm finish on Friday.



Christmas Message from Mrs Savage

Dear families and community,

I love our community. Right now at the end of another wonderful year with the prospect of yet more challenging times ahead in education I wanted to stop and thank you. We work well as a community and I love to write to you to say how grateful we are to have such a special community who treasure us as you do and protect each other as much as possible from the outside world buffers. You are always fully supportive of the events that we plan and the charities that we support because you know like we do that life should be lived in all its fullness.

As I write this I'm listening to 'Feliz Navidad' being played loudly in the corridors of our school in wraparound care. The children who can hear the music have huge smiles on their faces and the adults are beaming too. Being together to lead and join in with festivities is one of the privileges we have at school. Giving children the chance to share in the Christmas spirit is joyous and even more special when we get to share that safely with you and your families. We are delighted to see so many children and families in school at the moment and across the term.

As another term and indeed the year draw to a close we look forward to continuing to look after your children and helping them stay safe in our care. Our hearts do reach out to anyone and any family who have been finding things difficult. We often say prayers and offer hopes and wishes for a better year. If you or anyone else you know is struggling to reach out and contact us- we will do our best to help.

I'm sure that the pupils, parents and carers would like to join me in thanking all of the staff and governors at Jennett's Park CE Primary School for their continued dedication, service and commitment throughout this year. Likewise, we the staff and governors would like to thank all of you as parents and carers for the support you give us.

Lastly we want to say thank you to your brilliant children: they are kind, they are resilient, they are patient - they make us endlessly proud.

Merry Christmas and Season's Greetings to everyone! Enjoy the food and company, the memory making and best of all the lights! See you on Wednesday 3rd January 2024

Happy Christmas and best wishes to you and yours at this holiday season. Stay warm and stay safe,

Yours sincerely,

Liz Savage Headteacher





YOUR SCHOOL HAS BEEN ADOPTED!

Everyone Active is committed to getting children active. To help with this we have chosen to adopt **Jennett's Park Primary School** for **January 2024!**

During this time, your family will be entitled to:

- Free swimming for the children
- Complimentary fitness and swimming passes for the parents/guardians

KEEPING **EVERYONE** ACTIVE

Everyone Active Bracknell Leisure Centre
Bagshot Road, Bracknell, RG12 9SE
01344 454203

everyone
ACTIVE

Supporting Your Children Workshops






To book a space please email your full name to Inge.Taylor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk




These courses are universal (not specific for SEND or particular ages) and for adults supporting children **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.

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| 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 | |  |
| Wednesday 10 th January 2024 (5 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre. | | 9.30 – 11.30 am |
| Monday 5 th February 2024 (7 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre. | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |
| 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 15 th January 2024 (7 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 9.30 – 11.30 am |
| Thursday 22 nd February 2024 (7 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |
| 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 26 th February 2024 (12 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |
| 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 | |  |
| Friday 1 st March 2024 (11 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 9.30 – 11.30 |
| 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 | |  |
| Monday 5 th February 2024 (14 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre. | | 9.30 – 11.30 |

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| 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 | |  |
| Thursday 1 st February 2024 (13 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 9.30 – 11.30 am |
| Tuesday 5 th March 2024 (13 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |
| Supporting a smooth transition to secondary school (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 | |  |
| Tuesday 16 th April 2024 (14 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |
| Thursday 23 rd May 2024 (15 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |
| Wednesday 5 th June 2024 (11 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 9.30 – 11.30 am |
| We're also delivering at the following schools please book direct with the school. St. Josephs 03/06/24 St. Michaels EH 04/06/24 The Pines School 07/06/24 Great Hollands 11/06/24 Meadow Vale 12/06/24 | | 9 – 11 9 – 11 9 – 11 1 – 3 9 – 11 |
| Supporting a smooth transition from Year R to Year 1 and beyond 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 | |  |
| Friday 3 rd May 2024 (15 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 9.30 – 11.30 am |
| Tuesday 7 th May 2024 (14 spaces remaining) @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre | | 6.30 – 8.30 pm |

Work in Bracknell Forest Schools - Careers Event

Thursday, 1 February 2024, 4pm - 7pm at The Pines School, Bracknell RG12 7WX

Have you ever considered a career in a school?

Come along to the Bracknell Forest Schools Careers Event to find out more about our many roles!

School based roles include:

- Teaching
- Teaching Support/Classroom Assistant
- Administration
- Finance
- Catering
- Site Management
- School Governors

...plus many more!

Whatever your interests and careers aspirations, we may have the ideal school role for you, so come along and speak to us to find out more.

Our careers advisors, recruitment officers and training providers will be on hand to discuss opportunities, answer questions and offer advice, together with our University and College partners.

Bracknell Forest is a small, innovative local authority looking to offer you the best career choices in our maintained schools and academies.

Come on in and meet us on Thursday, 1 February 2024 at The Pines School to find out more. You will receive a warm welcome.



Careers Event

Thursday, 1 February 2024, 4pm - 7pm

The Pines School, Bracknell RG12 7WX

For further information contact Bracknell Forest by email: schools.hr@bracknell-forest.gov.uk



Y2-6 enjoyed a pantomime from M&M productions today. Big shout out to Mr Page and Mrs Ballard for being such 'willing' volunteers!



WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO PLAY IN THEIR VERY OWN ROCK BAND?

ROCK
STEADY™

Enrol online today at rocksteadymusicschool.com
or call 0330 113 0330 (local rate)
8am-8pm, Mon-Thurs, 8am-6pm Fridays

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn to play an instrument, develop life skills, have fun, gain confidence, and boost their wellbeing. As they progress through the Rocksteady curriculum, they will collect up to 300 different instrument, musicianship, and performance skills along the way.

Here's what you need to know:

- Lessons are held during the school day. There's no experience necessary and all instruments are provided, so it's very inclusive and accessible.
- Your child can choose from **drums, vocals, keyboard, electric or bass guitar** (subject to availability). They'll join their band mates for a weekly 30-minute lesson, where together they'll learn to play their favourite songs.
- You can proudly watch as your child performs in their end of term performance, showing you and their friends just how far they have come, and how far they could go. You can also **follow their musical journey** in your **Parent Timeline** from your Backstage account.
- Loved and trusted by thousands of schools, lessons are taught by experienced professional musicians who make music education fun. Your child's band leader will support and **inspire** them, while making sure they progress at their own pace.
- Your child will become either a **Mini Rocker** (Reception to Year 2), **Rock Hero** (Year 3 and Year 4) or a **Rock Icon** (Year 5 and Year 6).

Places are offered on a first come, first served basis. Selecting different instrument options will also give you the best chance of getting a place.

For more details on availability and cost, visit rocksteadymusicschool.com and find your school on the sign up page **or call 0330 113 0330**.

Best wishes,
Rachel Hawker | Director of Education



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Star Ambassador and Writing Award

| Class | Star Ambassador | Writing Award |
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| Woodpeckers | Joy | Isabel |
| Robins | Martin | Jack |
| Stonechats | Sophia B | Manvith |
| Whinchats | Hunter | Ivan |
| Yellowhammers | Esme | Hunter |
| Canaries | Aizah | Mia |
| Parakeets | Huntley | Adam |
| Greenjays | Olivia F | Leo A |
| Macaws | Levi | Mason |
| Kingfishers | Charlie | Jessica |
| Mockingbirds | Ella | Asa |
| Peacocks | Anna | Oliver P |
| Sabrewings | Rohan | Jess S |
| Sunbirds | Amaiya | Luke |

Well done to all our wonderful Star Ambassadors and
Writing Award winners— you shine brightly.

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

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| 3rd January | YN-6 Back to school |
| 8th January | Y4 Roman Day Workshop Y3 Yoga sessions begin (Mondays) |
| 9th January | Greenjays parents evening (postponed from Autumn term) |
| 9th-11th January | Mother Earth Making |
| 11th January | Y5 Swimming Lessons begin |
| 12th January | World Religions Day Pause Day |
| 19th January | Y4 Sleepover (rearranged!) |
| 22nd January | Y5 Everyone Active Workshop (PE kit) |
| 29th January | LGBT+ History Month |
| 5th-9th February | Children's mental health week |
| 7th February | Safer Internet Day |
| 7th-8th February | Women's Aid Sessions |
| <i>12th-16th February</i> | <i>Half Term—Camp Beaumont!</i> |
| 20th February | Shrove Tuesday Parents Evening—Online (details to follow) |
| 21st February | Ash Wednesday Parents Evening—Face-to-face (details to follow) |
| 1st March | Class Photographs Author Visit—Jennifer Bell |
| 7th March | Holi Purim |
| 8th March | International Women's Day M&M Productions: The Hobbit |
| 11-15th March | Science Week |
| 12th March | Y1/2 Book Look |
| 13th March | Y3/4 Book Look |
| 14th March | Y5/6 Book Look |
| 21st March | World Poetry Day |
| 22nd March | Ramadan begins |

Term dates 23/24

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| Half Term | Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October |
| End of Term Nursery | Thursday 14th December 2023 |
| End of Term | Friday 15th December 2023 1:30pm |

Spring Term 2024

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| Professional Training Day | Tuesday 2nd January 2024 Day 3 |
| Start of Term | Wednesday 3rd January 2024 |
| Half Term | Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2024 |
| End of Term Nursery | Wednesday 27th March 2024 |
| End of Term | Thursday 28th March 2024 1:30pm (Good Friday 29th March 2024, Easter Monday 1st April 2024) |

Summer Term 2024

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| Start of Term | Monday 15th April 2024 |
| Half Term | May Bank Holidays 6th and 27th May 2024 Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024 |
| End of Term Nursery | Wednesday 17th July 2024 |
| End of Term | Friday 19th July 2024 |
| Professional Training Days | Monday 22nd July 2024 Day 4 Tuesday 23rd July 2024 Day 5 (Day 4&5 taken as staff TOIL) |