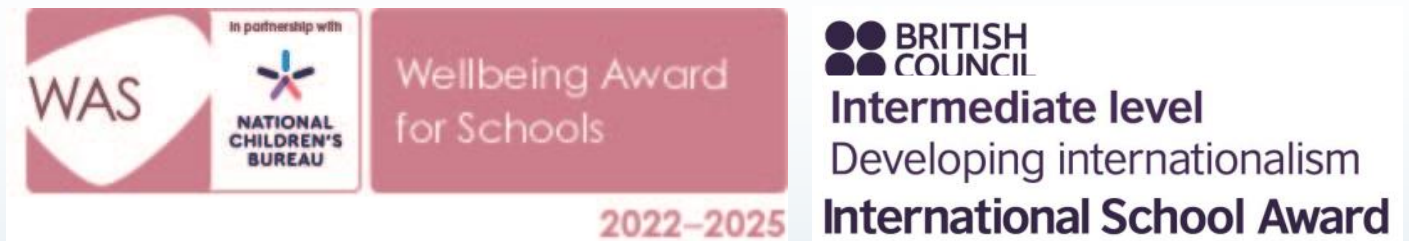




# Newsletter

**Autumn Term 13th December 2024**  
**secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk**  
**John 10:10 Live life in all its fullness**



# Upcoming Dates

Please do see the below link for your child's year group webpage. Year group pages contain key dates, letters, PE days and curriculum newsletters for your child.

<a href="#">Nursery</a>	<a href="#">Reception</a>	<a href="#">Year 1</a>	<a href="#">Year 2</a>
<a href="#">Year 3</a>	<a href="#">Year 4</a>	<a href="#">Year 5</a>	<a href="#">Year 6</a>

<b>Mon16 Dec</b>	KS1 concert performance #1 2pm	Y1-2 & parents/ carers
<b>Tues17 Dec</b>	KS1 concert performance #2 9am	Y1-2 & parents/ carers
<b>Weds 18 Dec</b>	Rocksteady Performance 9:15am  KS2 Carol concert 1:30—2:30 at St Michaels. All parents welcome. <a href="#">More details</a>	Y1-6 & band parents  Y3-6 + parents/ carers
<b>Thurs 19 Dec</b>	Class Parties - <b>non-school uniform</b> Talent Show Nursery last day of term	YN-6 YR-6 YN
<b>Fri 20 Dec</b>	<b><u>Last day of term 1:30pm finish</u></b>	<b><u>YR-6</u></b>
<b>Mon 6 Jan</b>	Professional Training Day (INSET) Epiphany	YN-6
<b>Tues 7 Jan</b>	First day back at school	YN-6
<b>Weds 8 Jan</b>	Wellington College—Drama club begins (see letter)	Y4
<b>Thurs 9 Jan</b>	Parent tours for prospective reception starters Keyboard lessons begin	Book via office Y5
<b>Fri 10 Jan</b>	Epiphany blessing	YN-6
<b>Weds 15 Jan</b>	Deadline for School Admissions 25-26 Reception School Nurse (appointment only via office)	YN YN-6
<b>Fri 17 Jan</b>	School Sleepover (sQuid)	Y4
<b>Thurs 23 Jan</b>	Powerful Choices Assembly Powerful Choices Workshop (sQuid)	Y5-6 Y5-6
<b>3&amp; 4 Feb</b>	Drone Workshops (details to follow)	

## CLASS PARTIES

We are holding Christmas class parties on Thursday 19th December. Children are welcome to wear non-school uniform and bring in some party food to share with their classmates. **Please do not bring in anything containing nuts** and make sure ingredients are clearly labelled for children with allergies.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas is underway. This week asides from copious amounts of tinsel and lights we have had nativities for reception and nursery and concerts for Year 4. How wonderful to see the children and the sheer looks of delight on the families who came. We love life in all its fullness.



We had an amazing choir visit to a retirement home entertained residents with cards and gifts.

And we had Christmas jumpers. They are so many and varied styles but lots of really fantastic designs and festive hairstyles! See some of our favourites on next page.

And Christmas dinner. Yuuuuuuummm. Huge thank you to the kitchen for feeding us and our governors for helping serve the masses!

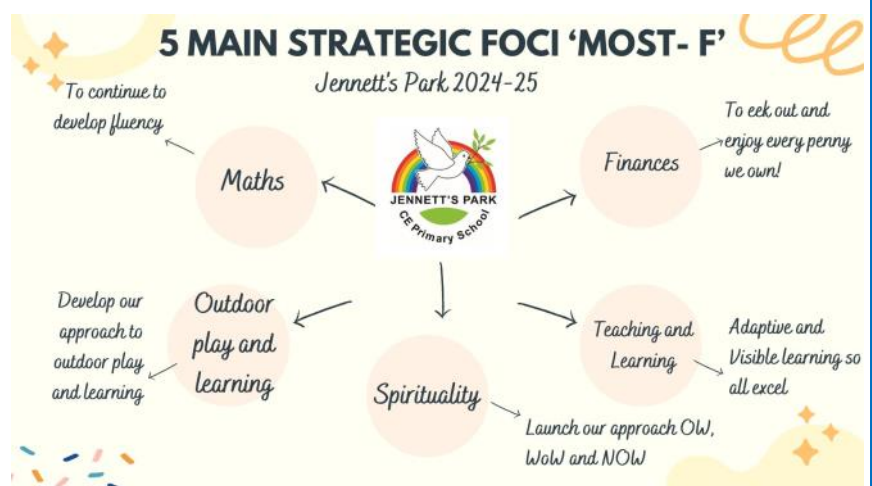
And last but not least a panto for Y1-6. Sleeping Beauty. Thank you to the PTA who funded this.



See you on the gates,

Liz Savage, Headteacher

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**







# Christmas fun

**Free holiday activities and food (HAF) for children and young people entitled to benefit related free school meals (FSM).**

Bracknell Forest Council is working closely with local companies to help support a wide range of children's Christmas holiday clubs.

The holiday clubs provide:

- sports
- music and drama
- dance
- cooking
- arts and crafts

and so many more fun activities!

Clubs provide a healthy meal and snacks. Check the clubs booking page for more information.

The holiday activities and food programme is a Department for Education funded programme to support children aged 4-16 years (Reception - Year 11) in receipt of benefits related free school meals.



Booking is available from  
**15 November 2024** for children registered for free school meals.



Register for free school meals:

[www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/free-school-meals](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/free-school-meals).

Book your place on the HAF programme: [bit.ly/haf-bracknell](https://bit.ly/haf-bracknell)

# CYBER PROTECT



## The Digital Dilemma

### Keeping Your Kids Safe Online

December 4th, 11th, 18th



## FREE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS

### Thames Valley Police

Hints and tips to secure your family online, covering:

**Gaming**



**Social Media**



**Email**

### BOOK YOUR SPACE:

Eventbrite: Police - South East Cyber

## DON'T LET IT BE **GAME OVER**

# LEVEL **UP** YOUR ONLINE SECURITY

# Community Learning at Bracknell Open Learning Centre



## Lego maths with your child

Fridays 10 January – 14 February,  
9.30am – 10.30am

If you are a parent of a child aged 2-4 years, increase your confidence introducing mathematical concepts to them using Lego DUPLO! Building bricks make learning together exciting, engaging and most importantly fun! The sessions are **free** and take place at **The Oaks Family Hub**



To book a course:

Online: [www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/community-learning](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/community-learning)

Phone: 01344 354220

Email: [community.learning@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto:community.learning@bracknell-forest.gov.uk)

By post: Bracknell Open Learning Centre, Rectory Lane, Bracknell, RG12 7GR

[www.facebook.com/bracknelladultlearning](https://www.facebook.com/bracknelladultlearning)



**20 Years of Celebrating Bracknell Forest's Heroes!**

# Who is your LOCAL HERO?

**PRIDE OF  
BRACKNELL  
FOREST  
AWARDS 2025**

The Pride of Bracknell Forest Awards celebrate the achievements of outstanding individuals and organisations in our community. We showcase those local heroes who make life in the Bracknell Forest better.



## **Nominate a deserving young person for one of these categories:**


The John Nike Pride of Bracknell  
Forest Young Person's Award

Sport & Achievement Young  
Person's Award

Young Person in Business



 [prideofbracknell.com/nominate](https://prideofbracknell.com/nominate)

 [contact@prideofbracknell.com](mailto:contact@prideofbracknell.com)

 Pride of Bracknell Forest Awards

 @PoBFA



Please submit all nominations by Friday 21st February



# DAISY'S DREAM

CHRISTMAS

DISCO

MUSIC & A FESTIVE  
TREAT

5PM-7PM

TUESDAY  
**17TH**  
DECEMBER

PEACOCK FARM  
ALPINE LODGE

£4 PER CHILD  
PROCEEDS TO  
DAISY'S DREAM





just play **sports**

Spring Term  
9/1/25 – 3/4/25

# Just Play Sports Clubs

From the sport-mad to the have-a-gos, here you'll find clubs packed with games for any ability and a ginormous focus on fun.

**Multi Skills Club for  
Year 1 - Year 4**

**Thursday  
3:30 – 4:30pm**

**£8 a session**

**Football Club for  
Year 1 - 6**

**Friday  
3:30 - 4:30pm**

**£8 a session**

**Book online at  
<https://www.justplaysports.co.uk>**



 [justplaysports.co.uk](https://www.justplaysports.co.uk)

 [info@justplaysports.co.uk](mailto:info@justplaysports.co.uk)

 [fb.me/justplaysportsberks](https://fb.me/justplaysportsberks)

 [@justplaysports\\_](https://www.instagram.com/justplaysports_)

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# **Bracknell Christmas Toy Bank**

If Christmas brings financial hardship and worry, and a little extra support could be helpful for your family, the Toy Bank is here for you.

**We invite you to come along and choose from a selection of kindly donated toys for FREE.**

The Toy Bank is an inclusive space for anyone in the community who needs help to make Christmas extra special this year. Come and visit us:

**Saturday 14th December, 12pm-4pm  
Involve Community Services, RG12 1AE  
(opposite Bracknell library)**

If you have any queries, please email  
[bracknelltoybank@gmail.com](mailto:bracknelltoybank@gmail.com)

# 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.

☞ *Forgiveness*

♥ *Love*

**These are our Values we try to live each day**

⌚ *Patience*

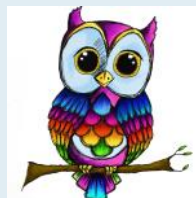
💎 *Honesty*

🤝 *Support*

👤 *Respect*

😊 *Kindness & Joy*

☮ *Peace*



## Our Owl Learning Behaviours:

C - Collaboration O - Optimism

P - Perseverance P - Pride

I - Inspiration C - Challenge

MD - Managing Distractions



# Weekly Awards



## Our Rainbow Moments

<b>Robins</b>	Ruby
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	Jack
<b>Stonechats</b>	Antony
<b>Whinchats</b>	Whole class
<b>Canaries</b>	Georgia
<b>Yellowhammers</b>	Jackson
<b>Greenjays</b>	Elizabeth
<b>Parakeets</b>	Alerio
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Whole class
<b>Macaws</b>	Whole class
<b>Mockingbirds</b>	Sarah
<b>Peacocks</b>	Suhani
<b>Sabrewings</b>	Josh
<b>Sunbirds</b>	Cassie

## Our Owl Learners

<b>Robins</b>	Melanie
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	Emily H & Harper
<b>Stonechats</b>	Eric
<b>Whinchats</b>	Elan
<b>Canaries</b>	Ivan
<b>Yellowhammers</b>	Aarya
<b>Greenjays</b>	Mia
<b>Parakeets</b>	Florence
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Mason P
<b>Macaws</b>	Grace
<b>Mockingbirds</b>	Ruby
<b>Peacocks</b>	Kurt & Harry
<b>Sabrewings</b>	Charlie
<b>Sunbirds</b>	Nieve

## Supporting Your Children Workshops

To book a space please email your full name to [Inge.Taylor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto: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.



Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024 (5 spaces)

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

9.30 – 11.30 am

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 (16 spaces)

@ 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.



Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024 (Fully Booked)

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

9.30 – 11.30 am

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024 (16 spaces)

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

6.30 – 8.30 pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024 (16 spaces)

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

9.30 – 11.30 am

### 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 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024 (9 spaces)

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

9.30 – 11.30 am

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024 (14 spaces)

@ 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.



Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 (8 spaces)

@ Bracknell Open Learning Centre

6.30 – 8.30 pm

<p><b>Encouraging Resilience – Keep Calm and Bounce Back</b></p> <p><b>A 2-hour session looking at:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to build your child’s natural resilience.</li> <li>• Encouraging your child’s positive social skills.</li> <li>• Encouraging children out of their comfort zone and not to give up.</li> </ul>	<p>RESILIENCE – the process of finding ways to recover from difficult events.</p> 
<p>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 <b>(4 spaces)</b> @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre</p>	<p>9.30 – 11.30 am</p>
<p>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 <b>(8 spaces)</b> @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre</p>	<p>6.30 – 8.30 pm</p>
<p><b>Reducing Sibling Rivalry</b></p> <p><b>A 2-hour session looking at:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraging a more harmonious sibling relationship</li> <li>• Learn / revisit techniques for children to cope with being a sibling.</li> <li>• Boosting children’s emotional literacy</li> </ul>	
<p>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 <b>(14 spaces)</b> @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre</p>	<p>6.30 – 8.30 pm</p>
<p>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024 <b>(13 spaces)</b> @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre</p>	<p>9.30 – 11.30 am</p>
<p><b>Single Parent, Separated and Blended families – supporting children to cope with different family dynamics.</b></p> <p><b>A 2-hour session looking at:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Different family dynamics and how they can work.</li> <li>• Parental conflict resolutions</li> <li>• Being the best parent that you can be for your child</li> </ul>	
<p>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024 <b>(15 spaces)</b> @ Bracknell Open Learning Centre</p>	<p>9.30 – 11.30 am</p>
<p><b>Supporting a smooth secondary school Transition (YR 5/6 parents)</b></p> <p><b>A 2-hour session looking at:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What the transition involves</li> <li>• The positives and concerns of transitioning to a new setting</li> <li>• Boosting your child’s ability to have a smooth transition</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Supporting a smooth transition from Year R to Year 1 and beyond (not school specific)</b></p> <p><b>A 2-hour session looking at:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What’s involved in transition from reception to year 1.</li> <li>• The best ways to support the transition.</li> <li>• Boosting your child’s resilience to cope with the change</li> </ul>	<p><b>Welcome to Year 1</b></p> 
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>If you are unable to attend any of the sessions or there are no suitable dates, please let me know so that I can add you to the waiting list for future sessions</b></p>	

## Autumn Term 2024

<b>End of Term Nursery</b>	Thursday 19th December 2024
<b>End of Term</b>	Friday 20th December 2024 1:30pm

## Spring Term 2025

<b>Professional Training Day</b>	Monday 6th January 2025 Day 3
<b>Start of Term</b>	Tuesday 7th January 2025
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
<b>End of Term Nursery</b>	Thursday 3rd April 2025
<b>End of Term</b>	Friday 4th April 2025 1:30pm    Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April 2025  Good Friday - 18th April 2025, Easter Monday 21st April 2025

## Summer Term 2025

<b>Start of Term</b>	Tuesday 22nd April 2025
<b>Half Term</b>	May Bank Holidays - 5th and 26th May 2025    Mon- day 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025
<b>End of Term Nursery</b>	Wednesday 16th July 2025
<b>End of Term</b>	Friday 18th July 2025 1:30pm
<b>Professional Training Days</b>	Monday 21st July (Day 4) Tuesday 22nd July (Day 5) Wednesday 23rd July (Day 6)