Newsletter September 2026

Dear Families,
As we begin a new academic year, it has been wonderful to welcome our children and families back to school.
A very warm welcome is extended to all the new families joining our school community; we are delighted to have you with us and look forward to working in partnership with you over the years ahead.
September is always a time of new beginnings, filled with excitement, opportunities and aspirations for the year ahead. We are thrilled to be starting the year celebrating the excellent outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection. The strong gradings and report are a testament to the hard work, dedication and commitment of our staff, children and governors.
We were delighted Father Danny could come and celebrate Mass with us and guided by our Catholic values, we will continue to ensure that every child flourishes academically, socially and spiritually.
Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to sharing many successes and celebrations with you throughout the year.
With warmest regards,
N Philpott

Ofsted

Read our report



A reminder that regular attendance at school is vital for children's learning, confidence, and wellbeing.

YR – 97.1%
Y1 – 97.2%
Y2 – 97.9%
Y3 – 97.5%
Y4 – 98%
Y5 – 97.2%
Y6 – 98.5%

Well done Year 6 – leading the way!

Whole school – 97.6%
National Average – 96.3 %
Bracknell Forest – 96.8%

A Prayer for the new school year.

God of wisdom and might,
we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit.
Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and support staff.
Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding;
and peace and enthusiasm to their hearts.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.





Diary Dates	Class	Event
Friday 25th September	Year R and 6	Buddy Assembly 9am
Monday 28th September- Friday 2nd October	Year 6	Residential Trip to Oakwood
Thursday 8th October	Year 2	Class Outing to Windsor Castle – all day
Friday 9th October	Year 6	Oakwood Assembly 9am
Friday 16th October	ALL Year 4	Donate for Foodbank Harvest Festival – Year 4 parents invited to attend 9am
Monday 19th October Wednesday 21st October	ALL	Parents Evenings
Friday 6th November	Year 2	Class Assembly 9am
Wednesday 11th November	ALL	Individual Photos
Thursday 12th November	Year 5	Trip to London – all day
Friday 20th November	ALL	ODD SOCKS DAY (anti-bullying week)
Monday 30th November	Year 5	Christingle Assembly 9am
Friday 4th December	Year 3	Class assembly 9am
Thursday 10th December Friday 11th December	Year R/1	Nativity – times TBC
Tuesday 15th December	KS2	6pm Carol Service @ Church
Friday 18th December	ALL	Pantomime in school
Monday 4th January	ALL	INSET DAY
Friday 28th May	ALL	Sports Day
Monday 7th June	ALL	INSET DAY
Wednesday 21st July	ALL	INSET DAY

ARE YOU ENTILTED TO CLAIM FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Applying for Free School Meals is simple and could unlock extra support and resources for your child and our school.

Apply for free school meals | Bracknell Forest Council

CELEBRATIONS





A huge congratulations to the pupils who performed in the Bracknell and Windsor Pride with their performing arts group. You lit up the stage and it was a joy to watch you!

We are delighted to announce our House Captains for 26/27.

St Anne's - Liliana with Mervin as vice

St Bernadette's – Chloe with Charlie as vice

St Francis' – Jacob with Hannah as vice

St Patrick's – Theo with Ffion as vice

Congratulations to you all!

Natasha Allergy Research Foundation
Allergy School

Thank you to the parents who made time to meet us to discuss their children's medical needs. We are proud to be an 'Allergy School' Please inform us if your child has a new allergy or medical condition and remember we are a NUT FREE ZONE.

Six Holy Habits

1. Keep Sunday special; as a family day, attending Mass and supporting the parish community.

2. Resolve to spend at least five minutes a day in prayer, at whatever time you find best using Scriptures or maybe Gospel of the day.

3. Keep Friday as a day of penance in honour of the Lord's passion, intentionally serving the poor and needy.

4. At least once a fortnight, pay a private visit to Church for a short period of prayer before the Tabernacle.

5. Go to confession once a month or so, like a spiritual check-up when you can personally experience God's love and mercy.

6. Join a small group for formation, prayer and fellowship where you can share with others your own faith-experience and in turn hear what God is doing in the lives of others.

WORKSHOPS

Supporting Your Children Workshops 2026 /27

To book a space email Inge.Taylor@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

Each course is a **standalone 2-hour session,** is universal (not specific for SEND), and is for the adults supporting **not** the children themselves so **please arrange childcare if needed**

Once you have completed an enrolment form your space will be confirmed

Please only book if you are *going to be able to attend* to avoid other parents missing out.

All sessions unless stated otherwise **take place at The Bracknell Open Learning Centre**

Supporting Children to Overcome their Anxious Thoughts and Worries Exploring how anxiety affects primary aged children using simple, effective techniques to support them to overcome their Anxious Thoughts & Worries.	
Thursday 1st October 2026	**9.30 – 11.30 am**
Monday 16th November 2026	**6.30 – 8.30 pm**
Managing Behaviour in a Positive Way Supporting parents of primary aged children develop positive behaviour strategies and handle challenging behaviours with confidence and care.	
Monday 21st September 2026	**9.30 – 11.30 am**
Thursday 5th November 2026	**6.30 – 8.30 pm**
Parenting your pre / early-teens in a Positive Way (aged 10 – 13) An insight into parenting, looking at positive behaviour strategies, different ways to strengthen communication / connection with your pre-teen child.	
Let me know if you would like to be on the list for future dates	
Parenting your teen in a Positive Way (aged 13 – 16) A session focused on using positive approaches to guide teenage behaviour, building stronger communication and connection during the teen years.	
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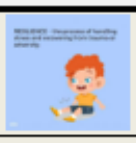
Encouraging Resilience – Keep Calm and Bounce Back Gain practical tips, leaving you inspired and equipped to help primary aged children bounce back stronger; no matter what life throws their way	
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Transition to secondary school Gain practical tips, share experiences, and learn how to support your child through the exciting, sometimes challenging transition to secondary school.	
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Transition: Reception to Year 1 and beyond The move from Yr R to 1 is a big step in your child's learning journey. Session helps parents understand what the transition involves and how to support.	
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A healthy night's sleep Support for parents of primary aged children to gain practical tips to help children build healthy, lasting sleep habits	
Monday 12th October 2026	**6.30 - 8.30 pm**
Reducing Sibling Rivalry A supportive session giving parents of primary aged children the tools to strengthen sibling bonds and create a calm, connected family environment.	
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Family Dynamics Family life comes in many forms for primary aged children. Session offers practical guidance navigating varying dynamics.	
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