# Burchetts Green CE Infant School

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 6th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

It may have only been a four day week for the children but it's been full of activity ads we explore our new topic of Toy Stor, and our Big Question – 'What is a toy?' We're looking forward to a Lego workshop later in the term (thank you FOBGS for funding this!) all about the history of toys as we learn about how toys have changed over the years.
We've also been reminding ourselves of how we can show this week's value of Friendship with each other around the school.

Our Eco-Team had an exciting outing to Filling Good, our local refill shop – they learnt all about what you can buy there and had their own experience of choosing items to fill their containers.
Our new school council have been voted for by their classmates and have had their first meeting discussing the contents of the suggestion boxes. They will hold an assembly soon to let their friends know the outcome and to encourage more suggestions on how the children could make our school even better.

We are looking forward to the Fireworks event on Sunday night – thank you for all the bottle and chocolate contributions for the tombolas! You can find more details on pages 4-5 and book in for it here.

Have a restful weekend,

Cat Dale

| Awards this week | |
|---|---|
| **Tawny Owls** | Pearl and Zach |
| **Barn Owls** | Charlotte and Cleo |
| **Snowy Owls** | Louis and Max D |

## THE GOLDEN GALLERY











## Our new school council team!



# Updates and Information

## Parking

Please remember that the school car park is mainly for staff only. Under exceptional circumstances, parents are permitted to use the car park. Please speak to the School Office if you need to use it. **Any permitted users must reverse park into a space. This is for the safety of pedestrians.**

When parking on the road, please park facing the direction of travel and completely on the road. The pavement is very narrow so please do not park on the kerb.

## Uniform

Our school uniform is:

- Purple V-necked jumper or cardigan bearing school embroidered logo
- White shirt or blouse (long or short sleeved)
- School Tie (with white shirt) optional
- Grey trousers/shorts or School's tartan skirt/pinafore dress
- Purple/white check dress (summer)
- Grey socks (with trousers/shorts)
- Plain grey tights (with pinafore/skirt)
- White socks (with purple/white check dress (summer)
- Black shoes or sandals (not opened toed)

No jewellery please - children with pierced ears may wear stud earrings only but it is preferable that these are removed (or taped up) on P.E. days and removed for swimming.

## Walk to School – come along!

We walk every TUESDAY morning. Meet us at the Butterfly Trail car park (SL6 4LU) at 8.00am – Mrs Cullum.







## Tawny Owls mud kitchen

We are updating our kitchen and this is the perfect time of year to collect any interesting natural objects while you're out on walks to add to our pots and pans. We are also looking for some spoons, small tins or old cutlery if you have any you are looking to throw out.

## Amazon wishlist

We have a Burchetts Green wishlist on Amazon if you're ever in a shopping mood. We are vey grateful for any packages we receive! https://amzn.eu/0hWuFinl

**PLEASE SEE A LIST OF IMPORTANT DATES ON THE NEXT PAGE**

**Value of the week**

*Friendship*

*A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity – Proverbs 17:17*

# Information

| **UPCOMING DATES (new dates in bold)** | | |
|---|---|---|
| Date | Event | Classes |
| Friday 6th November | Non uniform day – bright colours for Diwali and fireworks! Please bring a bottle for our Fireworks Night bottle tombola and a chocolate contribution | All classes |
| Sunday 8th November | FOBGS Fireworks evening, 4 – 6pm | All welcome! |
| **Tuesday 17th November** | **Tawny Owls Stay and Play, 2.30pm** | **Tawny Owls and parents/carers** |
| Thursday 3rd December | History of Toys Lego workshops | All Classes |
| Thursday 10th December | Whole school theatre trip to Norden Farm Arts Centre | All Classes |
| Tuesday 15th December | Nativity Performance at Jubilee Church (children will be at the church all day. Performance to family members at 2pm) | All Classes |
| **Wednesday 16th December** | **Christmas Jumper Day (with PE kit, for a small donation to Daisy's Dream charity)** | **All Classes** |
| **Thursday 17th December** | **Family Christingle service, 5pm at Stubbings Church** | **All welcome!** |
| Friday 18th December | End of Term 2 (finishing at 1.15pm) | All Classes |
| Monday 4th January | INSET Day – school closed to children | All Classes |
| Tuesday 5th January | Term 3 begins | All Classes |

# Fireworks Fun!



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# FoodShare




## Stock is Critically Low on The Items Below

Tinned Potatoes
Mash Potatoes
Tinned Vegetables
Tinned Fruit
Tinned Meat
Tinned Fish
Toiletries
Tea Bags
Coffee
Small Bags of Rice



# 2027 SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

## Applying for a primary school place for September 2027 entry?

Do you have a child with a date of birth between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023?

If so, you should apply for a full-time school place from **11 November 2026**

The closing date for on-time applications is **15 January 2027**



## How to apply:

Please use the QR code to visit our webpage
Please ensure you read the online guide for Admission into Primary School September 2026 **BEFORE** completing your application.

**MORE INFO!**

For any further guidance please call Customer Contact Centre on 01628 683870
or email rbwm.admissions@achievingforchildren.org.uk

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# Information




## *Christmas PTA Fundraiser!*

**Order an award winning turkey from Copas and raise funds for Burchetts Green School**

Simply enter the code **BGRS26**
at checkout and Copas Turkeys will donate 5% of your order value to the school PTA.

**WWW.COPASFARMSHOP.CO.UK**

**CALL: 01628 499 980**

*Raise funds and enjoy an award winning turkey!*

# Information




Maidenhead Lions
Christmas
Gift Market
No entry fee
donation only
Parking available
Saturday 7th
November
Christmas Gifts, Craft
Stalls, Tombola, Mystery
Gift Bags , Refreshments.
St. Joseph's Parish Hall
Cookham Road, SL6 7EG
Interested in having a stall email:
christmasgiftmarket@maidenheadlions.org.uk
11.00-3.30pm

# Holiday club



# Clubs


SPACE TO THRIVE
COMMUNITY MUSIC CENTRE
A BERKSHIRE MUSIC TRUST AND SLOUGH MUSIC SERVICE PARTNERSHIP
Calling all Young Musicians!
Let's Play Orchestra
Saturday 10.15–11.00am
Newlands Girls School Music Room
Farm Road, Maidenhead
Open to any instrument from beginner up to Grade 1. Explore making music with others through easy parts, beat & melody games, and ensemble fun.
£71.00 per term
Monthly direct debit payment option available
Initial Orchestra
Saturday 9.00–10.00am
Newlands Girls School Music Room
Farm Road, Maidenhead
Open to any instrument Grades 1–3. A more adventurous experience in a musical ensemble.
£80.50 per term
Monthly direct debit payment option available
Contact laurabridger@berksmusictrust.org.uk to come for a free trial session


BERKSHIRE Mini Maestros
Mini Maestros
Come and try a fun, live music class for ages 3-7 at
Space to Thrive, Newland Girls' School, Maidenhead SL6 5JB
Saturdays (term-time only)
Preschool & Reception - 9.40-10.10am
Year 1 & Year 2 - 10.15-10.55am
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10:00am
then every Sunday thereafter
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n_sehmbi@hotmail.co.uk
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# Washindi Trampolining Club

at Edgbarrow Sports Centre
Grant Road, Crowthorne, RG45 7HZ

British Gymnastics Accredited Club



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Dates, times & prices available on request

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Trials Available

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Ideal for ages 5 years and above (younger on enquiry)

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**Want to give it a go?**

**Call on 07711 280 573**

or send an email to **washinditrampolineclub@gmail.com**

# Information

**Booking online is now open for Windsor & Maidenhead Symphony Orchestra Concerts 2026-2027!**

Following last year's amazing concerts that took place to capacity audiences each time (thank you audience!), we welcome you to enjoy our next concert under the inspiring leadership of Maestro Joe Davies who is delighted to bring these outstanding works to the concert platform, complemented by a selection of folk poetry songs masterfully set to music by Mahler, creating a programme of depth, colour and contrast.
**Saturday 28th November 2026 at 7.30pm at the Baylis Theatre, Braywick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead, SL6 1BN.**

BRITTEN: Soirées Musicales
MAHLER: Des Knaben Wunderhorn - selection. Soloist: Indyana Scheider
WALTON: Symphony No.1

**Tickets are £15 adults, £5 children/students;** from the Concert section of our website or at the door if available - book early online to avoid disappointment via: Autumn 28 Nov 2026 / CONCERTS & EVENTS | Windsor & Maidenhead Symphony Orchestra
Windsor & Maidenhead Symphony Orchestra WMSO is a semi-professional and high-standard group of musicians who rehearse every Tuesday evening during term time at the Dolphin School in Hurst, performing at least 3 major concerts in local venues such as Braywick Leisure Centre, St Mary's Church, Maidenhead and Newbold Church, Binfield for example. We perform a range of works from well known favourites to lesser-known gems of the classical repertoire, as well as joining together with choirs and charities to promote the Arts and Music in RBWM.

**Our members, volunteers and supporters...**
Our membership includes instrumental players Grade 8 and above, welcoming new upper and lower strings to join us to rehearse, as well as Friends of the Orchestra and audience members who actively promote and support our performance events. Please do come along !

Further information please contact Dawn Garside at **publicity@wmso.org.uk**

# WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

President: Baroness Theresa May

Conductor **Joe Davies**

Leader **Susie Henwood**

## Saturday 28 November 2026 7:30pm

Braywick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead SL6 1BN

**BRITTEN**
Soirées Musicales



**MAHLER**
Des Knaben Wunderhorn
(selection)





Mezzo Soprano
**Indyana Schneider**

**WALTON**
Symphony No 1

**Tickets** £15;
student/child £5

registered charity
no. 1212732

www.wmso.org.uk

# Information

GEMS
Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

01753 373 244 / 0800 999 1342
www.Gems4Health.com
Gems.4Health@nhs.net

## GEMS supports parents and carers of Autistic and ADHD children and young people across East Berkshire.

We provide information, guidance and practical support to help families better understand their child's strengths, needs and experiences. Through workshops, courses, learning resources and signposting, we help families build confidence and create supportive environments where children can thrive.




## What do we provide?

Wherever you are in your understanding of autism and ADHD, whether you are exploring neurodivergence, awaiting assessment or supporting a child following diagnosis. GEMS offers a single point of contact for information, advice and support.

For parents and carers, we provide:

- Workshops and courses
- Learning animations and articles
- Information, advice and guidance
- Signposting to local and national services
- Opportunities to connect with other families

**WE SUPPORT FAMILIES LIVING IN, OR REGISTERED WITH A GP PRACTICE IN: EAST BERKSHIRE, SLOUGH, WINDSOR, MAIDENHEAD AND BRACKNELL.**

the autism group
Parenting Special Children
NHS Frimley

# VIRTUAL GEMS

Autism & ADHD Support Service East Berkshire

# COFFEE MORNING

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**TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER**

**12:30 TO 13:00 PM**

**25 SPACES**



Kooth is an online platform to help young people with their mental health and wellbeing. It's a welcoming space for your child to safely explore their feelings. They can anonymously talk to other people their own age on moderated discussion forums, and chat to mental health professionals via messaging.

Theyare a BACP-accredited digital mental health service, and provide free services through the NHS. Their team of professionals are trained to offer clinically-safe advice while lending a supportive ear for whatever your child's facing.

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

**TO BOOK YOUR PLACE CONTACT GEMS:**

Gems.4Health@nhs.net

0800 999 1342

# GEMS Autism Course

GEMS4Health are pleased to let you know that bookings are now open for their Autism Course for Berkshire East parents and carers, delivered by Parenting Special Children (PSC).
The course consists of three linked online sessions, designed to help parents and carers develop their understanding of autism and explore practical ways to support their child or young person.

🗓️ **Course dates:**
Thursday 5th November
Thursday 12th November
Thursday 19th November

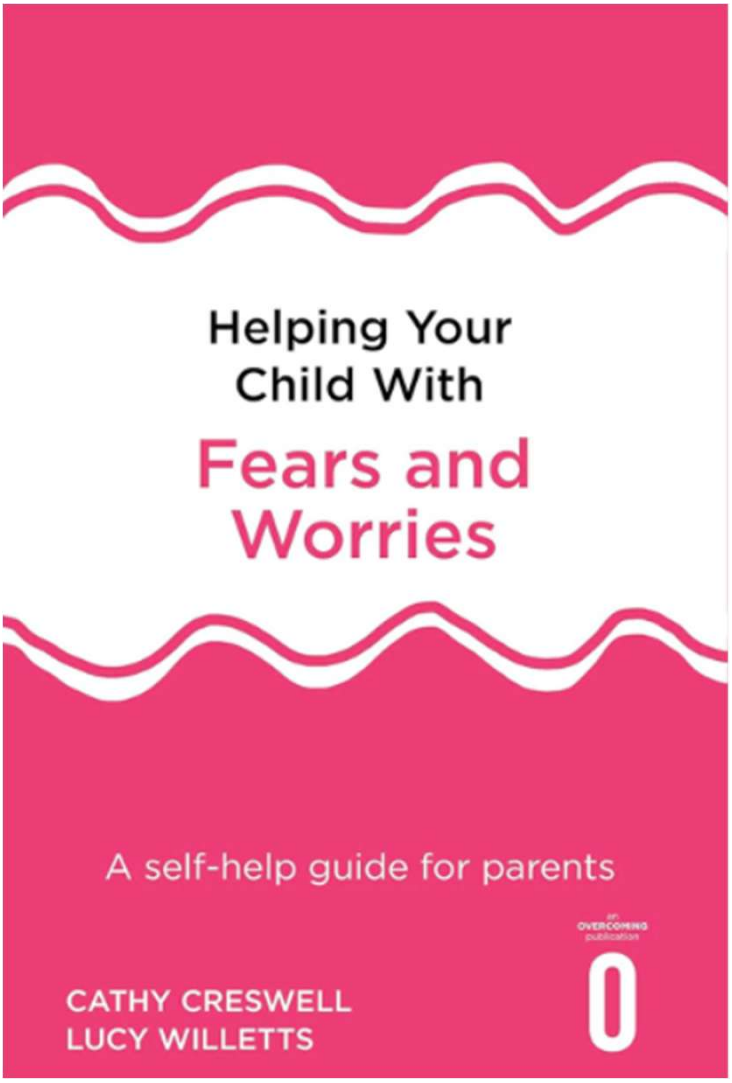
⏰ **Time:** 7:00pm – 9:00pm
💻 **Location:** Online via Zoom
💚 **Cost:** FREE

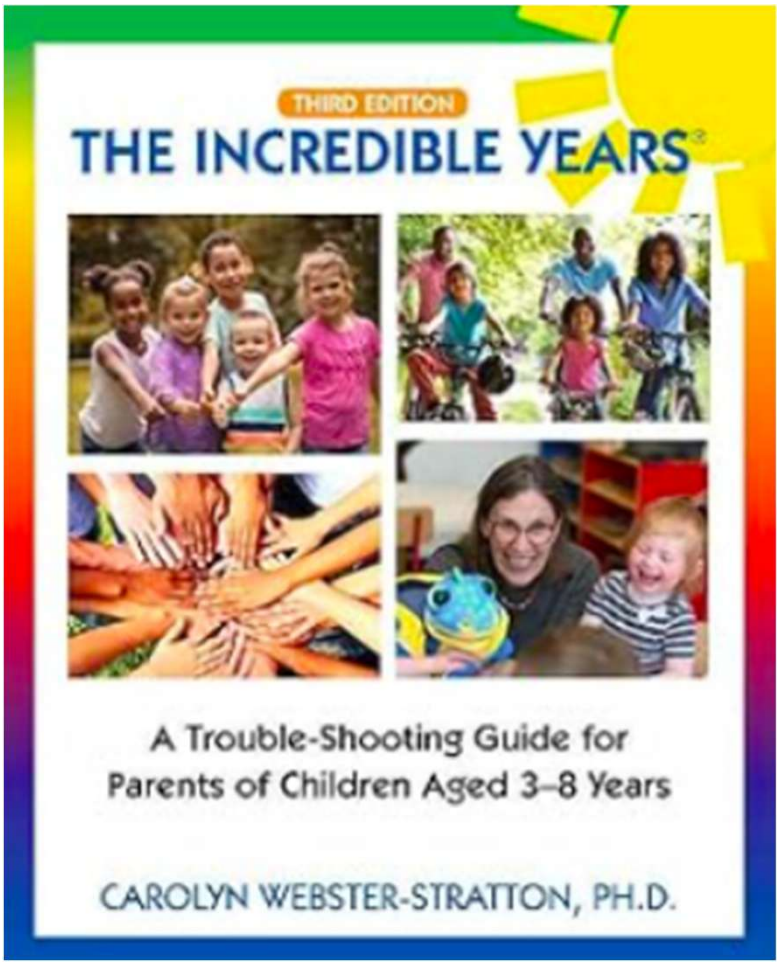
Across the three sessions, the course will explore:
• What is autism?
• Sensory differences, anxiety, and behaviour
• Practical strategies for supporting your child
• An overview of the assessment process
• Signposting and further support available

The course is open to parents and carers of autistic children and young people who live in, or are registered with an NHS GP within, Bracknell Forest, Slough, or Windsor & Maidenhead. Places are limited, so we recommend booking as soon as possible if you would like to attend.
👉 Find out more and book your place: https://www.gems4health.com/workshops/
The course is funded by NHS East Berkshire and commissioned by GEMS, with the sessions delivered by Parenting Special Children.
We hope you find the course helpful and supportive, and we look forward to welcoming many of you to the sessions.

THE GEMS TEAM
T. 01753 373244 or 0800 999 1342
E. Gems.4health@nhs.net
Address. 224 Berwick Avenue, Slough, SL1 4QT

# CAMHS Recommended Books



# Information

Burchetts Green CE Infant School

Parent and Teacher Association (PTA)



## The parents lottery

Support your school with every ticket

**£25,000 jackpot!**

## Support our school

**Scan this QR code** and enter our school name to join The Parents Lottery

## How does it work?

There will be **guaranteed prizes** up for grabs each week including the chance to win the **£25,000 jackpot!** Keep your eyes on the Friday weekly draw to find out if you'll be a winner this week.

1. **Choose us on The Parents Lottery list**
2. **£1 ticket entry into each weekly draw**
3. **Play with up to six tickets**
4. **Prize draw every Friday**
5. **Each ticket supports our school**

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Parentkind The parents lottery

# Information

## We have a textile recycling bank!

## Raising Money Is In Our Jeans!!

Help the school raise money by donating all your old clothes, shoes, soft toys, and bed linen. Put the clothes in the bank and Astra Recycling will put money in the school's bank!

**The bin is hungry, here's what it likes and doesn't like!**




| YES! | NO! |
|---|---|
| Clothes | Pillows |
| Pairs of shoes | Quilts |
| Sheets | Lined Curtains |
| Duvet Covers | Board Games |
| Pillow Cases | General Waste/ Rubbish |
| Accessories | Toys/Plastics |
| Soft Toys | |






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**Please ensure your donations are bagged as the bank is not waterproof and wet donations cannot be accepted – thank you**