



WEEK BEGINNING 17TH NOVEMBER 2025

Events this week:

Friday 21 st November	KS1 Celebration Assembly (parents invited)
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Looking forwards:

Monday 24 th November	Year 2 Owl Visit
Friday 28 th November	Residential presentation to parents 9.00am to 10.00am
Monday 1 st December	Year 4 Christmas Unwrapped @Church
Tuesday 2 nd December	KS2 Panathlon
Friday 5 th December	Non Uniform Day
	Christmas Market 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Tuesday 9 th December	KS1 Nativity to parents 9.15am and 5.30pm
Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas lunch (details to follow) Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11 th December	RockSteady Concert
Tuesday 16 th December	Reception Nativity production to parents 9.10am Years 1, 2 & 3 Pantomime @ South Hill Park
Wednesday 17 th December	Years 4, 5 & 6 Pantomime @ South Hill Park
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Church Service – whole school
Friday 19 th December	LAST DAY OF TERM – 1.30PM FINISH TIME

Do you know anyone with a child who will start Reception in September 2026?

We have been delighted to show so many children and their parents around our lovely school on school tours so far this term, with many more planned!

If you know of anyone who has a child that will be planning to start school in September 2026, please remind them to book on to a tour every Tuesday at 10am – they can simply email the office to book on:

secretary@stmicheast.co.uk

Share our poster and socials with them!



Looking for a Reception place for September 2026?

Look no further - book on to a tour with us today, no matter where you live in Bracknell.

About St Michael's Easthampstead

A small primary school who proudly puts our children and families first and goes *'above and beyond with love'* in everything we do!

Why us?

- Ofsted 'Good' in all areas (2024)
- Small, friendly, family focused
- Church attendance not necessary!
- No set catchment area - join us no matter where you live in Bracknell!!

Book on to a tour!

Visit us every Tuesday morning at 10am

Contact us:
01344 420878
secretary@stmicheast.co.uk



Follow our socials!

Please, please do give our social channels a follow so that when we start to post more content, you can share it far and wide! We are a small school doing our best to promote ourselves to the wider Bracknell community, especially given we do not have a set catchment area, and so any help you can give as a parent community to let people know what our lovely school is all about, and that we are here, will go a long way! Use these links or scan the QR codes:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1B7YM35NwM/>



Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/stmicheast> or @stmicheast



Empowering Calm

Hosted by The Autism Group:

Understanding and responding to distressed behaviour in autistic young people' with the aims being; To understand physical responses to anxiety, distress and overwhelm.

To explore what this might look like and think about who is challenging who! To learn some strategies to try to help.

Autism Support

For parents & carers of primary & secondary school aged children.

Online:

Thursday 5th
March 2026.

7:30 -
9:30pm

Booking link : <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/empowering-calm-tickets-1541207315569?aff=oddtcreator>

If this is not what you are looking for please view our website to see what other support is available.

www.gems4health.com



F: <https://www.facebook.com/Gems4Health>

I: <https://www.instagram.com/gems4health/>

Don't forget Baubles are due back in by Monday 24th November with your £1 donation



2025 Christmas Baubles

It is that exciting time of year again when we decorate baubles for our school Christmas tree and raise money for school

Baubles will be sent home with the children the week of 20th-23rd October, this will give plenty of time to get decorating.

Children can decorate their bauble at home in whatever style they wish.

Please return baubles to your class with a £1 donation to the PTA's fundraising this year. They are used to decorate our school tree and returned to the children on the last day of term for them to bring home.

Last date for bringing baubles back in is Monday 24th November. Please remember to name them on the tag provided.

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5th December
5:30pm to 7:30pm

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL
Christmas Market
fun for the whole family

Handmade gifts, food stalls, Santa's Grotto, hot chocolate, mulled wine, crafts, games, and lots more!

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL
CROWTHORNE RD, EASTHAMPSTEAD, BRACKNELL RG12 7EH

Christmas Market Friday 5th December 5:30-7:30pm

Dear Parent

We are busy planning for our Christmas market. This is the biggest event of the year, and we are determined to make this a success and raise lots of money to help your children over the next year.

This is where we need your help. We are asking for donations for Christmas hampers which we will then raffle off. Below is a list of donations that we need (please bring something from your child's class list, this is in an attempt to not have lots of one thing!). If you are happy to donate more than one item that is amazing. Thank you.

If you own a business and are happy to donate a voucher for your service, please do let us know as these would be a lovely treat to add to the hamper.

Finally, we also need baskets/hampers. If you have anything that we can use or any cellophane, ribbon etc. that would be amazing too.

We would like the donations delivered to the gazebo during the week of the 17th November. Any more information or questions please contact stmichaelseasthampsteadpta@gmail.com.

Donation Request

<p><u>Reception</u> Mince Pies Christmas napkins Box of chocolates Family size panettone Crackers for cheese</p>	<p><u>Year 4</u> Panettone White wine Jam After eight mints Celebration/Heroes tub/tin</p>
<p><u>Year 1</u> Sparkling wine/Bucks fizz Stuffing mix Quality Street or Roses tub/tin Christmas Pudding Tree Decorations</p>	<p><u>Year 5</u> Red wine Shortbread Christmas crackers Chocolate Coins Wrapping paper</p>
<p><u>Year 2</u> Cranberry Sauce Dates Prosecco Selection boxes Christmas Cards</p>	<p><u>Year 6</u> Chutney for Cheese Red Wine Tub/ tin of sweets Gift Tags Sharer crisps</p>
<p><u>Year 3</u> Tree chocolates Sharer crisps Candy Canes Box of biscuits White Wine</p>	<p>If you have other items that you feel would make a great addition to some of our Christmas hampers like NEW – toiletries, gifts, toys please feel free to bring or check with a member of your PTA or class rep, thank you.</p>

Christmas Market

Collection Dates 2025

We would appreciate your support in collecting the following items for our Christmas Market

- **Packaged Sweetie donations 10th -14th November**
Lollies, multi bags, chewie sweets. NO NUTS
Please drop off in the gazebo.
- **Hamper donations 17th to 21st November**
More information attached.
Please drop off in the gazebo. Please don't allow children to carry glass on the school site.
- **Cakes Thursday 4th December**
Shop bought or handmade with ingredients list please.
NO NUTS
Please drop off in the gazebo.
- **Bottles and Chocolate for Adult Tombola Friday 5th December. We will be having a non-uniform day too.**
Please drop off in the gazebo. Please don't allow children to carry glass on the school site.

Thank you



The Christmas cards designed by the children have today been sent home via your child. Please note that the deadline for any orders is **WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER AT 12.00 NOON**



Head Teacher Award Winners

- Acorns - Gabbi – for working hard and doing so well
- Year 1 - Luka – for aiming high in all his learning this week
- Year 2 - Rohida – for always being kind and working hard
- Year 3 - Dexter – for aiming high in all of his learning this week
- Year 4 - Finley – for his brilliant story writing
- Year 5 - Isabel – for amazing participation and attitude to work along with detailed and insightful answers
- Year 6 - Ryan – for being a great role model and increasing in confidence

Well done to you all!



We have raised a total of £170.85. Thank you for your generosity.

Drop-in flu clinics

At Foundation House, Windsor SL4 4LE

We are holding drop-in clinics
for your child's flu vaccination
on the following dates:

- 18.11.25 14:30-16:30
- 27.11.25 14:30-16:00
- 5.12.25 12:00-16:00

If you haven't completed a consent form yet, you can complete one using the information sent by your child's school or complete one at the clinic with one of the team



Goto the address below to share your
views and ideas

 cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/feedback



SEND Services Survey



Autumn 2025

Bracknell Forest SEND Parent Carers – We Need Your Voice!

Have you noticed any changes in SEND services in Bracknell Forest? We want to hear from YOU, even if you cannot find any improvements.

We want to monitor how these services are performing against previous surveys of parent carers. We use feedback as evidence to push for change. We intend to use the information you provide to demonstrate the impact of SEND Services on the children/young people of Bracknell Forest at strategic meetings with the local authority, Frimley ICB, BHFT. These will also be shared with the inspectors from DfE and NHS England. Nothing we collect will identify you or your child/young person.

Our latest survey is now open and we're asking parent carers to share their views on how Health, Education, and Social Care services are working for children and young people with SEND in Bracknell.

It may take you up to 30 minutes to complete this survey, but you don't have to answer every question. We are grateful for every single answer you are able to give.

Your feedback helps us track progress, highlight what's working, and push for change where it's needed most.

All responses are anonymous

Survey closes: 24th November 2025

One survey per child/young person, please

Please share with other SEND families in Bracknell Forest (with children/young people up to age 25)

Need help or have questions?

Email bracknell.pcf@gmail.com

We can arrange for someone to help complete a survey with you.

Scan here for survey



Add your voice to make ours louder

Thank you,
Bracknell Parent Carer Forum



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TRUST



Birch Hill Primary School

Consultation on proposed Admission Arrangements for Birch Hill Primary School for entry from September 2027

Introduction

Birch Hill Primary School is an academy school and is its own admission authority, forming part of the Maiden Erlegh Trust. When an admission authority wishes to make changes to their admission arrangements, they must consult to ensure all views are heard. Maiden Erlegh Trust is consulting on the following change to the admission arrangements for Birch Hill Primary School:

1. Proposal to reduce the Published Admissions Number (PAN) from 60 to 30

Why are we proposing this change?

There is a surplus of places in the area and the school has seen a fall in their roll. A reduction in PAN will help the governing body provide stability in their long-term planning, including both the set-up of the school and budget planning.

Copies of the proposed arrangements can be obtained from the Birch Hill Primary School office or downloaded from their website <https://www.birchhillprimaryschool.co.uk/>

How can you respond?

We would like to hear your views on these proposals. Please send any comments regarding the above proposed changes by emailing to: consultation.education@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

The consultation takes place between 10 November 2025 to 22 December 2025

What happens next?

After the consultation closes the responses will be collated and presented to the Admissions Committee at The Maiden Erlegh Trust who will decide whether or not to proceed with the proposed changes and determine the admission arrangements. The admission arrangements will then be determined, and the outcome will be published on the school website by 15 March 2026.

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BREAKFAST

With Santa

Bring your little ones for a delightful morning filled with joy and wonder. Join us for Breakfast with Santa at the Green Man. your little ones can meet Santa and his elves, as well as presents from Santa himself. activities provided while you wait for Santa to arrive.

Saturday 6th and 13th and Sunday 21st
 The green man

£10.99 per child, (adult price separate), bookings only. deposit must be paid in advance with pre order choices.

please ask bar staff for more information.

Bracknell Christmas Toy Bank

Toys you don't want or need?

Donate them to the Toy Bank, providing local children most in need with Christmas presents this year. Follow @bracknelltoybank on Instagram to see items not accepted.

Donations accepted:
 27th October - 3rd December
 Involve Community Services, RG12 1AE
 (opposite Bracknell library)
 Mon-Fri: 9am-4:30pm

Brand new and used toys accepted, but must be complete/in gifting condition

Thank you for your support!
 @bracknelltoybank
 bracknelltoybank@gmail.com

BWCB Concert Band Presents

WINTER WIND

IN CONCERT

Sunday 7 December 4pm

Bohunt School

Arborfield RG2 9GB

A wide-ranging programme from film to Broadway and some festive classics

£10 Adult (incl child Under 11)
 £5 additional child under 16

For more information email contact@bwcb.org