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### ABOUT BRACKNELL FOREST

Bracknell Forest is made up of 6 towns and parishes. They are Binfield, Bracknell, Crowthorne, Sandhurst, Winkfield and Warfield.

Bracknell Forest is in a good location: 25 miles west of London and a few minutes from the motorways M3, M4 and M25. This means you can travel to other parts of England easily. It is easy to get to London and Reading by train or bus from Bracknell. Heathrow Airport is 30 minutes away and Gatwick Airport is 40 minutes drive.

The choice of schools is very good, and local schools achieve good exam results.

Bracknell has many large offices of multinational companies on the three industrial areas which are just outside of the town centre and there are a wide variety of jobs available.

There is a good choice of leisure activities. There are swimming pools, ice skating rink, tennis courts as well as clubs for adults and children to join. Bracknell also has many parks for quiet family days out.

### **LEISURE**

There are many activities in Bracknell Forest which you and your children can do. We provide sports facilities at these places:

- Bracknell Leisure Centre
- Sandhurst and Edgbarrow Sports Centres
- Horseshoe Lake Watersports Centre
- Downshire Golf Course
- Coral Reef. Bracknell's Waterworld
- The Look Out Discovery Centre

For quiet walks or picnics you can use:

- Countryside parks
- · Recreational open spaces
- Public rights of way

You can find out which ones are closest to you by contacting Leisure Customer Services on:

Tel 01344 352000 Time Square Market Street Bracknell RG12 1JD

Email: customer.services@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

This building is on the map and is close to the train station.

You will be very welcome at these places. The library can give you more information on events and activities in your area. There is a list of libraries in this booklet.

#### **SCHOOLS**

All children between the age of 5 and 16 must attend school. Legally children must be in full-time education from the start of the school term after their fifth birthday.

School is from Monday to Friday and school times are usually from 08:45 am to 3:15 pm.

The phases of schooling are as follows:

Nursery – 3 to 5 years old Infant - 5 to 7 years old Juniors – 7 to 11 years old Primary - 5 to 11 years old Secondary -11 to 16 years old

#### Bracknell has:

3 infant schools
3 junior schools
24 primary schools
1 school for children with special needs
6 secondary schools

There are other private or independent schools where you will need to pay fees.

When your child enters school at the age of 5, s/he enters Reception or Year 1. In infant schools children leave at end of Year 2 to join either a primary school or junior school. A junior school will take children from Year 3 through to Year 6. Primary schools take children from Reception/Year 1 to Year 6. At the beginning of Year 6 you will be asked to choose a secondary school for your child. If your child arrives in school after this time, you may need to ask the headteacher for information.

Secondary schools take children from Years 7 to 11. Children usually progress through the school with their age group.

#### The school year

The school year starts in September. There are three terms in each year. There is a week's holiday half way through each term called "half term" and a longer holiday at the end of each term. The dates for the 2010/2011 school year are:

Autumn term 6<sup>th</sup> September – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2010

Spring term 4<sup>th</sup> January – 8<sup>th</sup> April 2011 Summer term 26<sup>th</sup> April – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2011

#### **Pre-School and Nursery**

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to free part-time education. These early years, together with their time in reception class at primary school, make up the Early Years Foundation Stage. A child can attend up to five free 2 ½ hour sessions of Early Years education per week, for up to 38 weeks a year, at a registered setting from the term after their third birthday.

There are 50 Early Years settings in Bracknell. The word 'setting' means pre-school, day nursery or school nursery class. Admit your child at a setting of your choice and they will let you know if you need to pay any extra fees. See the list of settings. You can get more information from the Children's Information Centre, Family Tree Nursery, 49 Broadway, RG12 1BB. www.childrensinfo.org

# **Primary Education**

Children are taught in classes of approximately 30. They are often grouped by ability for some subjects. Every day the child will be taught one hour of English and one hour of Mathematics as well as other subjects.

Classes are often arranged to encourage the children to interact with each other and work in groups. Some classes contain more than one year group.

Schools have regular assemblies where the whole school will meet for a short time together.

#### **Secondary Education**

In secondary schools, pupils are taught in classes within their year group. The children are also in tutor groups. The day may start with a tutor session. This tutor (or teacher) looks after a group of children for the whole year and is responsible for their welfare. He/she will contact you if there are any concerns or if your child is having problems. In addition, a Head of Year or Head of House oversees welfare issues.

Pupils are taught by subject specialists – a separate teacher for each subject. The children move around from one teacher's classroom to the next throughout the day. They take their bags and belongings with them to each class. Each class may have 20-30 pupils for each subject. The teachers will give homework to be completed by a set time.

#### **Ability Groups / Sets**

In secondary schools pupils will be placed in ability groups called sets for some subjects from year 7. It is always best to ask which set your child has been placed in for each subject, as this will affect the level at which they are taught.

# The School Day

A typical school day often starts at 08.45am. There is a short mid-morning break at about 10.30am and a lunchtime break of about one hour from 12 noon to 1.00 pm. The afternoon session often lasts till 3.15 pm. Younger children also have a short afternoon break to play outside if the weather is good.

Your child will need to bring a snack to school for the mid-morning break.

A typical day in a secondary school will be different from that in a primary school. There will be a morning and a lunchtime break. There will also be a time for groups of pupils to meet for assembly.

Many schools run lunchtime or after school activities, usually for about an hour after lessons finish. These are activities such as sports, drama, art, dance, music and homework clubs. Some activities are free but some may have to be paid for.

#### **The National Curriculum**

All schools follow the National Curriculum. The emphasis is on the core subjects which are English, Maths and Science. The core subjects are compulsory for children up to the age of 16. However, the school must provide a broad curriculum and, therefore, other subjects are taught. These are Geography, History, Art, Music, Design and Technology, Physical Education, Information Technology and a foreign language.

Students in Key Stages 4 and 5 can chose to study from a wide range of subjects.

The teaching of Religious Education is compulsory for all children. As a parent you have a right to discuss and agree with your child's school whether or not he/she participates in Religious Education.

#### **Links with Home**

Schools hold after-school parents's meetings at least twice a year in primary schools and once a year in secondary schools. At these evenings, parents are invited to meet the teachers to talk about their child's progress. Some schools have Open Days during the year.

You will also be informed about your child's progress at other times of the year. Schools may ask to meet you if there are concerns about your child. If at any time you have queries or concerns, do not hesitate to contact the headteacher, class teacher or your child's tutor. This can be arranged through the school office.

Schools value the support of parents and see you as an important contributor to your child's learning.

#### Homework

Children in primary schools will be asked to read their reading books at home everyday. It is important that you help your child complete their homework and listen to them read. Children in primary schools get homework once a week but older children get homework every day. Schools give pupils homework diaries in which they have to write their homework tasks.

If you cannot help your child with homework, please discuss this with the teacher.

#### **School Meals**

Schools provide a mid-day meal for children. There is a small cost for this. You can tell the school if you do not want your child to eat pork, beef, meat or anything else. All schools serve vegetarian meals as well. You can also give your child a packed lunch to take to school.

**Free School Meals**: You can get free school meals for your child if you or your partner gets either:

- Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit) and have a family income below £14,155
- Pension Credit Guarantee Credit (the 'guarantee credit element')
- Income Support
- Jobseeker's Allowance

Your child's school can give you a form to complete. You can get information and advice on various Tax Credits and Benefits from Jobcentre Plus. The Citizen's Advice Bureau can offer you more detailed information and can also help with filling in forms.

#### **Bullying / Racist Incidents**

It is important that you contact the school immediately if your child experiences any difficulties such as bullying, racism or name calling. Each school has an agreed policy on procedures for dealing with such matters. \if you need further support or advice on any cases of bullying or racism please contact the Children & Families section of the Education Department on 01134 354014 or email: education.children-families@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

# Frequently asked questions

#### 1. How do I find a school for my child?

You should contact the school Admissions Team. The Admissions Team can tell you about schools that are nearest to your home address and which schools have places for children.

School Admissions Team
Education, Children's Services and Libraries
Seymour House
38 Broadway
Bracknell RG12 1AU

Tel: 01344 354023 or 01344 354144

They will send you an application form and a book about admissions, and can help you fill out the form. You will need to take your passport, your child's passport and visas and proof of your address in Bracknell Forest with you when you visit them.

You may be able to choose up to three schools, but no school place can be guaranteed. Some Bracknell schools will be full if you apply in the middle of the term, and there may not be a place in the right age group at the school you prefer.

Schools are not allowed to discriminate against children because of their race or nationality. You will be asked to write your child's background details on a form. Please give as much information as you can about the languages spoken at home and your child's previous education. This will help the teachers.

#### 2. Do all schools mix boys and girls?

All primary and secondary schools are for both boys and girls. Some private schools, where you pay fees, are single sex schools

#### 3. Do all schools have a uniform?

All schools in Bracknell Forest have a uniform. The school will explain what is needed and where you can buy it. You can also ask the school if there are any second hand uniforms for sale.

Your child will need to bring a P E (Physical Education) Kit to school. The PE Kit includes clothes and shoes for the games lesson.

#### 4. What if my child needs extra help with English?

Your child's class and subject teachers will plan work and activities that will help your child learn English. Bracknell Forest has an EAL (English as an Additional Language) Team who help and support new arrivals with little English.

It would be helpful if you could supply a bilingual dictionary for your child to use at school and at home.

# 5. What if I have a problem or a complaint?

You can ask to speak to the headteacher, class teacher or tutor. It is important that you get to know your child's class teacher or tutor and keep meeting with him/her whilst your child is settling in. You can ask for an appointment by phoning or calling in during the school day.

Some schools have a contact, or homework book in which you can write messages to your child's teacher/tutor.

If your complaint is not resolved, you can ask to meet a school governor.

#### 6. What are SATs?

These are tests taken at the end of each Key Stage when pupils are age 7, 11 and 14 years old. At the end of Key Stage 1, teachers assess children in Reading, Writing and Maths. At the end of Key Stage 2, tests are taken in English, Maths and Science. At the end of Key Stage 3, tests are taken in English, Maths, Science and Information and Communication Technology (ICT). These tests help to assess progress. The results are made known to parents.

#### 7. What are GCSEs?

These are the most important exams your child will take at school. It usually takes two years to study for a GCSE. The score your child achieves may depend on work during the year, called coursework, as well as the exam marks.

For university entrance you normally need at least grade "C" for both Mathematics and English at GCSEs. You also need a higher qualification called A-Levels (Advanced Level).

Ask the school if your child can take a GCSE in your home language. This will be beneficial for your child.

If your child has come to the UK and is joining school in Year 11, then he/she may have the choice to be admitted in Year 10 instead, so that the GCSE course can be covered. Ask the school and the Connexions Personal Adviser for advice on the subjects and courses your child should take.

# 8. Do I have to pay for my child to go to school?

There are no fees. Also all books, papers and necessary equipment are supplied by the school free of charge. However, you may be asked to provide things such as pens, pencils, ruler, rubber, calculator etc.

# How to help your child learn English

Help from parents is greatly welcomed and valued by teachers in school. Firstly, you can provide help by giving as much information about your child's previous education.

If your child can read and write in your first language please provide a dual-language dictionary for school. This dictionary will be of great help in supporting your child's learning in class. Teachers will be able to highlight key vocabulary in English. Using the dictionary, your child can then find the meanings of these words.

It will be very helpful to set up a two-way diary between home and school. This way the teacher can inform you about what is going on in school and ask for your help with school work. You can also use this home-school links book to ask questions or send notes to the teacher.

# Continue to use and develop the home language

Your child will grow up to be bilingual and this has many advantages:

- Learning more than one language is good for the brain. Bilingual children develop better thinking skills and get higher marks in intelligence tests.
- If their first language is strong, they will find it much easier to learn English and cope with their schoolwork.
- Your children will continue to learn more about and appreciate their culture through their language. They will be able to converse with grandparents, elders and other people from their language background.

Encourage your child to take books in the home language to school. These books can be read during 'quiet reading' time.

Learning a new language can be tiring and stressful. Your child needs to come home, relax and enjoy the comfort of being able to speak in the home language.

#### Helping your child to learn English

- This is usually best done by playing games or reading books.
- Join the public library and take out interesting books for reading. Use the library regularly in the holidays. Children can use the internet and also borrow story tapes with books to listen to.
- Read books with your child by talking about them in your home language and, if possible, English too. It is helpful to read to your child in both languages.
- Select good television programmes for you child to watch. Ask your child's teacher to suggest suitable programmes.
- When watching television, use Teletext to show sub-titles in English. This will help your child's listening and reading.
- Teachers will sometimes send home information about subject/topic areas that
  are going to be taught in the classroom the following day/week. You could
  prepare your child by discussing this work in advance. This will help your child to
  understand what is being taught in school and also help the learning of English.
- If possible invite English children home. Your child's friends in school will play an important role in developing English language skills.
- Your child's teacher will give homework which is suitable to meet his/her needs.
  It is important that the child tries to do the homework set. Your help will be
  needed. If your child finds that the homework is too difficult, please let the
  teacher know.
- Praise your child's achievements. It is important that your child knows that you
  understand the difficulties s/he is experiencing. Motivate your child to keep
  trying and to keep listening. Slowly but surely things will get easier.

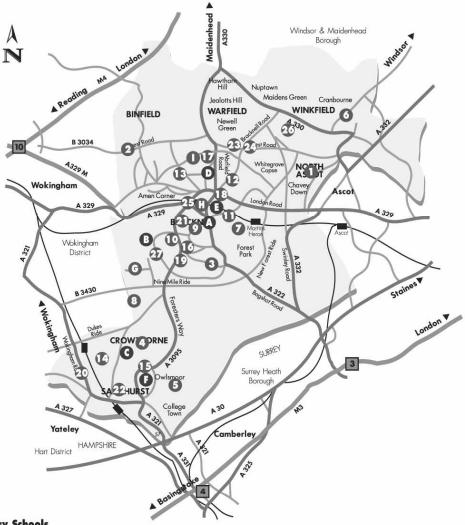
The chart shows the different stages of schooling and the main exams.

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Type of school	Age	Year	School stage	National tests and exams
Nursery	3-4 years		Foundation	
Infant school	4-5 years		Stage	Foundation Stage Profile
Infant or primary school	5-6 years	Year 1	Key Stage 1	
	6-7 years	Year 2		Key Stage 1 SATs
Junior or primary school	7-8 years	Year 3		
	8-9 years	Year 4	Key Stage 2	
	9-10 years	Year 5		
	10-11 years	Year 6		Key Stage 2 SATs
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Secondary school	11-12 years	Year 7		
	12-13 years	Year 8	Key Stage 3	
	13-14 years	Year 9		Key Stage 3 SATs
Secondary school	14-15 years	Year 10		Some children take GCSEs
			Key Stage 4	
	15-16 years	Year 11		Most children take GCSEs or other similar qualifications
Secondary school or Further Education College	17-19 years	6th Form	Key Stage 5	A levels, AS levels or VCEs. These exams form the basis for admittance to Colleges and Universities.

# Locate a School...



- **Primary Schools**
- 1 Ascot Heath Infant & Junior
- 2 Binfield CE
- 3 Birch Hill
- 4 Broadmoor
- 5 College Town Infant & Junior
- 6 Cranbourne
- 7 Crown Wood
- 8 Crowthorne CE
- 9 Fox Hill

- 10 Great Hollands
- 11 Harmans Water
- 12 Holly Spring Infant & Junior
- 13 Meadow Vale
- 14 New Scotland Hill
- 15 Owlsmoor
- 16 The Pines
- 17 Sandy Lane
- 18 St Joseph's Catholic

- 19 St Margaret Clitherow Catholic
- 20 St Michael's CE Sandhurst
- 21 St Michael's Easthampstead
- 22 Uplands
- 23 Warfield
- 24 Whitegrove
- 25 Wildridings
- 26 Winkfield St Mary's CE
- 27 Wooden Hill

#### **Secondary Schools**

- A Brakenhale
- B Easthampstead park
- C Edgbarrow

- D Garth Hill College E Ranelagh CE
- F Sandhurst

#### **Special School and Pupil Referral Units**

- G College Hall PRU
- H Adastron House PRU
- I Kennel Lane Special School

#### LIST OF SCHOOLS

## **Primary Schools**

 Ascot Heath Infant Rhododendron Walk

> New Road Ascot SL5 8PN

Tel: 01344 882631

Headteacher: Catherine Bates

3. Binfield CE Primary Benetfield Road

Binfield Bracknell RG42 4EW

Tel: 01344 860106 Headteacher: Di Gare

5. College Town Infants & Nursery

Branksome Hill Road

College Town Sandhurst GU47 0QF

Tel: 01276 31933

Headteacher: Trudi Sammons

7. Cranbourne Primary

Lovel Road Winkfield Windsor SL4 2EU

Tel: 01344 882350

Headteacher: Colin Sambrook

9. Crowthorne CE Primary

Duke's Ride Crowthorne RG45 6ND

Tel: 01344 772089

Headteacher: Barbara Gellatly

11 Great Hollands Primary

Wordsworth Bracknell RG12 8YR

Tel: 01344 424911

Headteacher: Michael Purdy

2. Ascot Heath Junior School

Rhododendron Walk

New Road Ascot SL5 8PN

Tel: 01344 883353

Headteacher: Sarah Theaker

4. Birch Hill Primary

Leppington Bracknell RG12 7WW

Tel: 01344 455815

Headteacher: Alan Harding

College Town Junior Branksome Hill Road

> College town Sandhurst GU47 0QE

Tel: 01276 35292 Headteacher: Jill Ward

8. Crown Wood Primary

Opalden Way Crown Wood Bracknell RG12 0PE

Tel: 01344 485448

Headteacher: Susan Wilcox

10. Fox Hill Primary

Produced Road

Bracknell RG12 7JZ

Tel: 01344 421809

Headteacher: Tracey Moyes

12. Harmans Water Primary

Wellington Drive Bracknell RG12 9NE

Tel: 01344 422196

Headteacher: Michael Harris

13. Holly Spring Infants and Nursery

Lily Hill Road Bracknell RG12 2SW

Tel: 01344 483920

Headteacher: Julia Paradine

15. Meadow Vale Primary

Moordale Avenue

Bracknell RG42 1SY

Tel: 01344 421046

Headteacher: Nigel Duncan

17. Owlsmoor Primary

Cambridge Road

Owlsmoor Sandhurst GU47 0TA

Tel: 01344 776642

Headteacher: Liz Cole

19. Sandy Lane Primary

Sandy Lane Bracknell RG12 2JG

Tel: 01344 423896 Headteacher: Liz Norris

21. St Margaret Clitherow RC\* Primary

Pembroke Bracknell RG12 7RD

Tel: 01344 424030

Headteacher: Fran Valentine

22. St Michael's Easthampstead CE

Primary

Crowthorne Road Easthampstead Bracknell

RG12 7EH

Tel: 01344 420878

Headteacher: Steve Litson

14. Holly Spring Junior Lily Hill Road Bracknell

RG12 2SW

Tel: 01344 422367

Headteacher: Patricia Donkin

16. New Scotland Hill Primary

Grampian Road Little Sandhurst Sandhurst GU47 8NQ

Tel: 01344 772184 Headteacher: Pat Kerton

18. The Pines Primary

Hanworth Road Hanworth Bracknell RG12 7WX

Tel: 01344 426413

Headteacher: Micheal harris

20. St Joseph's RC\* Primary

Gipsy Lane Bracknell RG12 9AP

Tel: 01344 425246

Headteacher: Juanita Dunlop

21. St Michael's CE Primary

Lower Church Road

Sandhurst GU47 8HN

Tel: 01252 873360

Headteacher: Antoinette Butler-Willis

23. Uplands Primary

Albion Road Sandhurst GU47 9BP

Tel: 01252 873069

Headteacher: Anita Warwick

24. Warfield CE Primary All Saints Rise Warfield Bracknell RG42 3SS

Tel: 01344 862074

Headteacher: Ann Binding
Anne Kennedy

26. Wildmoor Heath Primary Lower Broadmoor Road

Crowthorne RG45 7HD

Tel: 01344 772034

Headteacher: Lynsey Johns

29. Winkfield St Mary's CE\* Primary

Winkfield Row Bracknell RG42 7NH

Tel: 01344 882422

Headteacher: Gillian Harbutt

25. Whitegrove Primary Westmorland Drive

Warfield Bracknell RG42 3QS

Tel: 01344 861020

Headteacher: Christine Tsakmakis

Chris Reilly

28. Wildridings Primary

Netherton Bracknell RG12 7DX

Tel: 01344 425483

Headteacher: Julia Evans

30. Wooden Hill Primary

Staplehurst Bracknell RG12 8DB

Tel: 01344 421117

Headteacher: Joanna Quinn

<sup>\*</sup> RC - Roman Catholic

<sup>\*</sup> CE - Church of England

# Secondary schools

A The Brakenhale Rectory Lane Bracknell RG12 7BA

> Tel: 01344 423041 Headteacher: Paul Salter

C Edgbarrow Grant Road Crowthorne RG45 7HZ

Tel: 01344 77265

Headteacher: Robert Elsey

E Ranelagh CE\*
Ranelagh Drive
Bracknell
RG12 9DA

Tel: 01344 421233

Headteacher: Kathy Winrow

B Easthampstead Park Community

Ringmead Bracknell RG12 8FS

Tel: 01344 304567

Headteacher: Gordon Cunningham

D Garth Hill College Sandy Lane Bracknell RG12 2JH

Tel: 01344 421122

Headteacher: Keith Grainger

F Sandhurst
Owlsmoor Road
Owlsmoor
Sandhurst
GU47 0SD

Tel: 01344 775678

Headteacher: Andrew Fletcher

# Schools for special needs

G College Hall PRU West Road

off Old Wokingham Road

Wokingham RG40 3BT

Headteacher: Marion Bent

H Kennel Lane Special School

Kennel Lane Bracknell RG42 2EX

Headteacher: Andrea de Bunsen

\* RC - Roman Catholic

\* CE - Church of England

# **List of Early Years Settings**

The Ark Pre-School

144 High Street Crowthorne RG45 7AT

Tel: 01344 778800 Age Range: 2-5 years

**Ascot Baptist Church Pre-School** 

175 New Road Ascot L5 8PX

Tel: 01344 882941 Age Range: 3-5 years

**Binfield Pre-School** 

Jocks Lane Pavilion Binfield Road Bracknell RG12 2BH

Tel: 01344 862500 Age Range: 2-5 years

**Building Blocks Pre-School** 

Whitegrove Youth &Community Centre 3 County Lane Warfield RG42 3JP

Tel: 07904 875905 Age Range: 2½-5 years

**Chavey Down Nursery School** 

St Martin's Church Hall Chavey Down Road Bracknell SL5 8RE

Tel: 0775 983 9783 Age Range: 2-5 years Ascot & Cranbourne Pre-School

Lovel Road Winkfield SL4 2EU

Tel: 01344 885020 Age Range: 3-5 years

**Binfield Pre-School** 

Memorial Hall Terrace Road South

Binfield RG42 4EW

Tel: 01344 862729 Age Range: 2-5 years

Birch Hill Pre-School

Birch Hill Community Centre

Leppington Birch Hill Bracknell RG12 7WW

Tel: 01344 302660 Age Range: 2-5 years

**Busy Bees Montessori** 

Westmorland Park Pavilion
Westmorland Drive

Warfield

RG42 3QP

Tel: 01344 885245

**Crowthorne Village Pre-School** 

Parish Hall Heath Hill Road South Crowthorne

RG45 7BN

Tel: 01344 773896 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### East Lodge Playgroup

Talk Shop Great Hollands Square Great Hollands

Bracknell RG12 8UX

Tel: 01344 440223 Age Range: 3-5 years

#### **Garth Under Fives Nursery**

Braybrook Hall Makepiece Road Bracknell

RG42 2HF

Tel: 07940 229291 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### Pines Community Association Pre-School

Pines Community Centre Hanworth Road Bracknell RG12 7WX

Tel: 01344 423487 Age Range: 2-5 years

# **Harmans Water Pre-School**

C/o Harmans Water School Wellington Drive Bracknell

RG12 9NE

Tel: 07754 807784 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Little Acorns Montessori School**

St Peters Hall Hatchet Lane Winkfield SL4 2EG

Tel: 01344 882942 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Little Sandhurst Nursery Group**

St Michael's Pastorial Centre

Lower Church Road

Sandhurst GU47 8HN

Tel: 01252 873416 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Owlsmoor Pre-School**

53 Cambridge Road

Owlsmoor Sandhurst GU47 0SZ

Tel: 07941 732950 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Pavilion Pre-School**

**Great Hollands Recreation Ground** 

South Road Wokingham RG40 3EE

Tel: 01344 455521 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### P.A.W.S Nursery

Hayley Green Warfield RG42 6BS

Tel: 01344 893636 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### Plus Three Nursery-Farley Wood

The Farley Wood Centre Turnpike Road Binfield

Binfield RG42 1FW

Tel: 01344 482671 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Plus Three Nursery-Martins Heron**

Martins Heron Community Centre Whitton Road Bracknell RG12 9TZ

Tel: 01344 482671 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### Plus Three Nursery-Newell Green

Brownlow Memorial Hall Newell Green Warfield Road Bracknell RG42 6AB

Tel: 01344 482671 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### WASPS at Warfield

All Saints Rise Warfield RG42 3SS

Tel: 01344 304460 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Rectory Lane Nursery School**

Easthampstead Community Centre Rectory Lane Bracknell

RG12 7BH

Tel: 01344 310810 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **RMA Lakeside Nursery**

Haig Road RMA Sandhurst Camberley Surrey GU15 4PQ

Tel: 01276 412301 Age Range: 0-5 years

#### Sandhurst School Nursery

Uplands Primary School Albion Road

Sandhurst GU47 9BP

Tel: 07778 334813 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### South Hill Park Pre-School

Leppington Birch Hill Bracknell RG12 7WW

Tel: 01344 860555 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### **Sports Centre Pre-School**

Sports Centre Bagshot Road Easthampstead Bracknell RG12 9SE

Tel: 01344 454203 Age Range: 2-5 years

# St Joseph's Under 5s Nursery

St Joseph's Primary School Gipsy Lane Bracknell RG12 9AP

Tel: 01344 869181 Age Range: 2½-5 years

# St Michael's Childcare Trust

St Michael's School House Crowthorne Road Easthampstead Bracknell RG12 7EH

Tel: 01344 869340 Age Range: 2-5 years

#### The Oaks Pre-School

The Oaks Children's Centre Wordsworth Great Hollands RG12 8QN

Tel: 01344 317040

#### **Full Day Care Nurseries**

**Braken Bears Day Nursery** 

Brakenhale School Rectory Lane Bracknell RG12 7BA

Tel: 01344 868923

Age Range: 3mths-5 years

Bramley Wood (Kingsclere Nurseries Ltd)

Old Bracknell House Crowthorne Road North

Bracknell RG12 7AU

Tel: 01344 300677

Age Range: 3mths-5 years

**Carousel Nursery School** 

75 Yeovil Road Owlsmoor Sandhurst GU47 0TD

Tel: 01276 32217 Age Range: 2-5 years **Cherrytown Nursery** 

67 Branksome Hill Road College Town

Sandhurst GU47 0QF

Tel: 01276 33995 Age Range: 0-5 years

The Children's House Nursery

Park Lodge Tilehurst Lane Binfield Bracknell RG42 5JL

Tel: 01344 301277

Age Range: 3mths-5 years

**The College Nursery** 

Bracknell & Wokingham College

Sandy Lane Bracknell RG12 2JG

Tel: 01344 390456 01344 390400 Age Range: 2-5 years

**College Town Montessori** 

117 College Road College Town Sandhurst GU47 0RD

Tel: 01276 34540 Age Range: 0-5 years **Dolphin Nursery** 

Wokingham Road Bracknell RG42 1PN

Tel: 01344 301316

Age Range: 3mths-5 years

The Family Tree Nursery

49 The Broadway Bracknell RG12 1BB

Tel: 01344 381918 Age Range: 0-5 years **The Mortarboard Nursery School** 

Berkshire Guide Centre Windlesham Road Priestwood Bracknell RG42 1GG

Tel: 01344 450922 Age Range: 2-5 years

## The Old School Day Nursery

North Ascot Community Centre

Fernbank Road

Ascot SL5 8LA

Tel: 01344 890668

Age Range: 2-5 years

# **Primary Steps**

61 Dukes Ride Crowthorne Berkshire RG45 6NS

Tel: 01344 772038

Age Range: 3 mnths-5 years

#### **Squirrels Day Nursery**

Broadmoor Hospital

Crowthorne Berkshire RG45 7EG

Tel: 01344 761063

Age Range: 3 mnths-5 years

#### **Teddies Nurseries**

3-5 Horndean Road

Forest Park Bracknell Berkshire RG12 0XY

Tel: 01344 486565

Age Range: 3 mnths-5 years

### The Teepee Day Nursery

Pembroke Hanworth Bracknell Berkshire RG12 7RD

Tel: 01344 360601 Age Range: 0-5 years

#### **Winkfield Montessori School**

Popels Hall Church Road Winkfield SL4 4SG

Tel: 01344 890670 Age Range: 0-5 years

# **USEFUL ADDRESSES AND WEBSITES MAGAGAMIT na mga ADDRESS at WEBSITE**

**Benefits Service** 

Time Square Market Street PO Box 3781 Bracknell RG12 1HJ

Tel: 01344 351866

**Bracknell & Wokingham College** 

Church Road Bracknell RG12 1DJ

Tel: 01344 460334 www.bracknell.ac.uk

**Connexions** 

24 High Street Bracknell RG12 1LL

Tel: 0845 408 5008 www.connexions.gov.uk

**Schools Admissions Team** 

Seymour House 38 Broadway Bracknell RG12 1AU

Tel: 01344 354023 or 01344 354144

www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk

Thames Valley University Reading Campus

Kings Road Reading Berkshire RG1 4HJ

Tel: 0118 967 5000 www.tvu.ac.uk

**Bracknell Library** 

Town Square Bracknell RG12 1BH

Tel: 01344 352000

www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/libraries

Citizen's Advice Bureau

42 The Broadway Bracknell RG12 1AG

Tel: 0845 1202969 www.bracknellcab.org.uk

**Job Centre Plus** 

Fitzwilliam House Skimped Hill Bracknell RG12 1JX

Tel: 01344 744800

www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk

**Skimped Hill Health Centre** 

Skimped Hill Lane Bracknell RG12 1LH

Tel: 01344 306613

#### www.parentscentre.gov.uk

This website provides information and leaflets about the English education system.

#### www.multilingualfamily.co.uk

This website helps families from other countries to find and communicate with other families in their area. It has information on schools and resources for different languages.

# **HELP FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 13 TO 19 YEARS**

Teenagers between the ages 13 and 19 years are referred to as young people.

#### 1) Connexions

Connexions offers advice and support to young people on education and jobs. You can visit the Connexions centre in Bracknell or speak to a Connexions Personal Adviser (PA) in a secondary school. The PA can help pupils to think about what they will do after they are 16, find a job, and write an application letter.

Connexions in Bracknell can use interpreters for people who do not speak English.

### 2) Youth Service

The Youth Service runs youth clubs for young people. There are 7 youth centres in Bracknell Forest. You can take part in sport, arts and crafts or adventure activities. Joining a youth club is a good way to make friends. To find out more contact:

#### Youth Service

Seymour House 38 Broadway Bracknell Berkshire RG12 1AU

Email: ecsl@bracknell-forest.gov.uk

Tel: 01344 354000

# 3) ESOL classes for learning English

Classes for learning English can be taken at either Bracknell and Wokingham College or at Thames Valley University (TVU) in Reading. These colleges offer a variety of full and part-time courses for children over 16 and adults.

Both colleges have daytime and evening ESOL classes for learning English. The TVU in Reading also has full time ESOL courses. It takes 20 minutes to get to Reading by train and the TVU Campus is a 15 minute walk from the train station.

Please apply for these courses as soon as you can because they may have a waiting list.

#### **HEALTH**

When you arrive in this country you must register your family with a doctor. Schools will ask for this information. To find your nearest doctor, telephone 0845 4547. You will need to take your passport and a document that shows your address.

In Bracknell town centre, the main medical centre can be found at Skimped Hill. See map.

When your child starts school, you will be asked to complete a health questionnaire. The school may ask you to sign a consent form so that a school nurse can check your child's weight, hearing and vision.

If you have any concerns about your child's health you can contact your school nurse to ask for advice. Ask at the school reception when the school nurse would be available or telephone 01344 458105 / 458106 / 458121.

Weekly sessions are run by the School Nurse in every secondary school. These sessions are confidential.

Dentists and opticians will see your child free of charge till they are 16 or till the age of 19 if they are in full time education.

# **List of Medical Centres (Surgeries)**

Balfron Practice Skimped Hill Health Centre Skimped Hill Lane Bracknell RG12 1LH Tel: 01344 306613

Birch Hill Medical Centre Leppington Bracknell RG12 7WW Tel: 01344 456535

Boundary House Surgery Mount Lane Bracknell RG12 9PG Tel: 01344 483900

Crown Wood Medical Centre 4a Crown Row Crownwood Bracknell RG12 0TH Tel: 01344 310202

Easthampstead Surgery 23 Rectory Lane Bracknell RG12 7BB Tel: 01344 457535

Evergreen Practice Skimped Hill Health Centre Skimped Hill Lane Bracknell RG12 1LH Tel: 01344 306936

Forest End Medical Centre Ringmead Birch Hill Bracknell RG12 7PG Tel: 01344 421364

Great Hollands Health Centre Great Hollands Square Bracknell RG12 8WY Tel: 01344 454338

The Waterfield Practice Ralphs Ride Bracknell RG12 9LH Tel: 01344 454626

#### **Dentists**

Community Dental Clinic Skimped Hill Health Centre Skimped Hill Lane Bracknell RG12 1LH Tel: 01344 458125

The Community Dental Service provides NHS (National Health Service) treatment for elderly people and for people who have special needs.

# Hospitals

The Minor Injuries Unit at Heatherwood Hospital, in Ascot, offers medical advice for minor injuries only.

Heatherwood Hospital London Road Ascot SL5 8AA

Tel: 01344 623 333



For injuries which may need surgery, accidents and emergencies you will need to visit other hospitals such as:

Wexham Park Hospital	Frimley Park Hospital	Royal Berkshire Hospital
Wexham Street	Portsmouth Road	London Road
Wexham	Frimley	Reading
Slough	Surrey	RG1 5AN
Berkshire	GU16 7UJ	
SL2 4HL		

### **LIBRARIES**

There is a large Bracknell Library in the town centre and eight other smaller libraries in Bracknell Forest. Anyone who lives or works in Bracknell Forest can become a member. You will need to show a proof of your identity, such as your passport. You also need to show proof of your address in Bracknell Forest, such as a household bill or a tenancy agreement. Your membership card can be used for all the libraries.

You can borrow books in English and other languages. You can ask for books in different languages, which can be ordered for you. You can also borrow music CDs and stories on CDs and cassettes. Library members can use the internet free of charge.

Libraries have all kinds of information about the area. You will be able to find information about events, entertainment and activities in Bracknell.

#### LIST OF LIBRARIES

Bracknell Library Town Square Bracknell RG12 1BH Tel: 01344 423149

Binfield Library Benetfeld Road Binfield RG42 4JZ Tel: 01344 306663

Crowthorne Library Lower Broadmoor Road Crowthorne RG45 7LA Tel: 01344 776431

Harmans Water Library The Square Harmans Water RG12 9LP Tel: 01344 423660

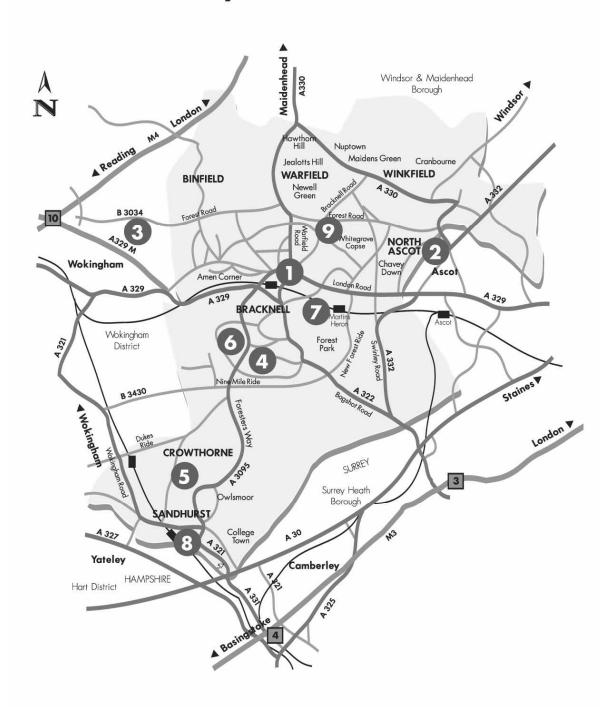
Whitegrove Library 5 County Lane Warfield RG42 3JP Tel: 01344 424211 Ascot Heath Library Fernbank Road North Ascot SL5 8LA Tel: 01344 884030

Birch Hill Library Leppington Birch Hill RG12 7WW Tel: 01344 456526

Great Hollands Library The Square Great Hollands RG12 8UX Tel: 01344 424095

Sandhurst Library The Broadway Sandhurst GU47 9BL Tel: 01252 870161

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