



As a family of schools, we are brought together by a shared vision to inspire children to Learn, Enjoy, Succeed.

Read on to see how we support ten schools in delivering the best education to 3,300 pupils, with a breadth of opportunity for all children to succeed and thrive.

Photo highlights

Here are some highlights of what pupils have been up to in the last few months.



Welcome

Welcome to all our staff, parents and carers. The Spring term has been full of residentials, competitions, auditions for Summer plays, cycling training and SATs preparation. We are proud to create these opportunities for all children to take advantage of, and glad to see them being grabbed with both hands.

The Spring term has also been a time for secondary school transition, and we hope families felt supported in choosing the best onward destination for their child.

With the Summer term now underway, we are pleased that projections for next September see BPET schools full at 92% (average across all of them). We work hard in setting up the best environment for pupils to Learn, Enjoy and Succeed, and are proud to see these results, especially with a well-known 7% drop in children's population in London.

New appointments

We are delighted to announce the recent appointment of key positions across BPET.

We welcome **Alison Colenso** as the Interim Director of Education who will cover for Laura Gregory whilst away on her sabbatical during the 2023/24 academic year. Mrs Colenso has over 20 years' experience in primary school education, is well acquainted with our trust having

previously been Headteacher at Deer Park School, and spent the last three years as an Ofsted inspector. Read our [interview with Mrs Colenso on the BPET's website](#).

Mrs **Michelle Robertson** has been appointed Headteacher at Braywick Court School. Mrs Robertson was Deputy Headteacher at the school for the past four years and has been carrying out the role of Acting Headteacher since last September.

Kilburn Grange School also has a new Headteacher, Ms **Helen Khinich**, who has been appointed to this permanent role. Ms Khinich is a founding Deputy Headteacher, and was also the Acting Headteacher since January.

We have also appointed a new trustee, Mr **Sandeep Jain**, a Chief Financial Officer with over 30 years' experience in working for and in banks. Mr Jain will contribute to our Board of Trustees with his deep knowledge and experience in managing finances.

We are delighted to have appointed such strong leaders in these key positions, and we look forward to working with them in our shared mission to provide the best education for all children. [Read more on our website](#).



Learning reviews

Each year, every BPET school is subject to a Learning Review as part of our school improvement review cycle.

This is a peer-review process led by BPET Headteachers supported by Deputy and Assistant Headteachers, as well as an external consultant.

The aim of the review is to observe the quality of teaching, and provide coached feedback in order to support staff in their continuing professional development. Pupils are also given the opportunity to offer feedback on their learning experience via an anonymous survey.

This year's reviews have provided each school with individual feedback around their strengths and areas for development, which help formulate plans for next year's priorities.

Competitions

The BPET competition season is well underway, as you can see from the images on the left hand side! We love offering our pupils the chance to get excited about competing with their peers across a variety of disciplines.

The challenges sharpen their focus, give them something to aim for, a sense of achievement besides the outcome, and create team spirit. The football tournaments have now con-

cluded with **Braywick Court School** and **Halley House School** winning the boys' section for the Berkshire and London's hubs respectively.

With a national lack of girls' football in schools, we are proud to be offering our girls the chance to train and compete: 74 girls took part in our tournament with **Evendons Primary School** and **Deer Park Primary School** winning the trophies for the Berkshire and London's hubs.

Well done to all our footballers for a great season! Visit the BPET website for a [full account and more images](#).

The Queen's Gambit - our chess competition facilitated by Chess in Schools - saw pupils from **Whitehall Park School** and **Braywick Court School** winning the coveted team trophies. Many medals were awarded to our talented players, and a big well done is deserved by all! You can read the full account including the list of [medal winners on the BPET website](#).

450 Year 4 pupils across eight BPET schools spent the last month perfecting their times tables within our first ever TT Rockstars Competition.

The competition helps children practising timestables, embedding maths knowledge and preparing them for the national Multiplications Table Check.



A staggering 1 million questions were answered correctly (1,313,746) by pupils within this competition alone.

The winning class was Sycamore, **Braywick Court School**, closely followed by Ash, **Watling Park School**. See the [full list of winners on our website](#).

Last but not least, is the Debate Competition which will take place in June in London and Berkshire.

Ofsted's visit to Whiteknights

Whiteknights Primary School was visited by Ofsted inspectors on 28 Feb and 1 March and was judged as Good in all areas.

The Ofsted report highlights the academic rigour and high achievement of the pupils who enjoy the school's structured curriculum.

The excellent reputation of the school amongst parents was also recognised: "Parents hold the school in high esteem and are full of praise for the education and care that their children receive."

In addition to the school's high praises, Ofsted commented on the support and training offered by BPET, and noticed how the school leaders' ambitions are clear and fully aligned with the trust's aspirations. [Read the full report here](#).

Working towards Net Zero

We are committed to do our part for the environment and reach [net zero by 2030](#) through a series of different initiatives.

Our Eco-Champions pupils are leading the way for all children and local communities to be more sustainable. We have changed lights to LED and introduced smart meters in most schools in order to measure our carbon reduction.

We have also installed solar panels on school roofs in order to produce our own green energy. This way, not only we show children that taking care of the environment is vital, but we also save money, which allows us to re-invest in schools' activities and pupils' education.

For all our efforts in this regard, we have appeared in the [Times Educational Supplement \(TES\)](#) and in [Children & Young People Now](#) magazine, and have been shortlisted as Environmental Trust of the Year by the [MAT Excellence Awards](#). Wish us luck!

Annual Accounts

BPET annual accounts have been published and [are available to view on our website](#). We are pleased to be in a strong financial position which creates stability and allow us to keep investing in pupils' education.