

BROMHAM BROADSHEET

DUCK RACE WINNING NUMBERS

Race 2:

1st : 323 Skylor

2nd : 48 Rafe

3rd : 92 Freya

Race 3:

1st : 198

2nd : 514

3rd : 952

**Best Dressed Business
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From The Chair

Welcome to our Summer Broadsheet

We have enjoyed a wonderfully warm spring here in the village, and what a fantastic display of daffodils brightened our green spaces this year!

As we closed another year of Parish Council activity, we were delighted to celebrate the many clubs, volunteer groups and charities that make Bromham such a special place. At our Annual Meeting, it was a pleasure to present community awards in person – recognising those whose time, energy and commitment truly make a difference. Seeing residents honoured by their neighbours is always a highlight.

By the time you read this, our much-loved biennial Duck Race will have recently taken place, and we are incredibly grateful to all the volunteers who work so hard behind the scenes to bring this popular event to life. It's events like these that bring our community together and create lasting memories.

While much of the Parish Council's work is visible through village events and activities, a great deal also happens behind the scenes. Looking ahead, we are focusing on several important projects. These include the creation of a Flood Group – particularly important given our past experiences and the heavy rainfall earlier this year – and continuing discussions around a potential purpose-built Doctor's Surgery.

We remain committed to keeping the heart in Bromham: preserving our community identity, supporting local initiatives, and delivering projects and events that ensure our village continues to thrive.

From Your Ward Councillors

"As we drift from Spring to Summer, enjoying the better weather and the chance to be outside again after the bitter Winter months, Robert and I have been reflecting on the unique pleasure and privilege it is to represent you all at Bedford Borough Council. We are now in our final year of our current term and have both pledged to stand for re-election in May 2027. Whether you plan to vote for us or not, we will continue to represent this village, as well as our others, to the very best of our ability.

In that sentiment, I would like to begin by updating you all on the Bromham GP Surgery Project. As many of you will know Bromham was forced by Bedford Borough Council to take an additional 315 homes at Northampton Road, as a result of our tireless efforts in support of your Parish Council we agreed that part of that scheme would entail the construction of a new GP Surgery in the village. But GP Surgeries cost money and it could have been an easy "win" to get the surgery agreed and then let it languish, fading into obscurity without a penny put to its name.

Luckily Bedford Borough Council has agreed to fund the project in principle using a combination of £1.3mn in funding from developers and an additional £5.5mn in contributions from the Council. That makes a total fund of £6.8mn for the surgery, not a bad figure to be getting on with, and more will hopefully be available from various sources if it is needed.

But just because one development is yielding positive benefits does not mean that they all are and in our neighbouring Parish of Biddenham yet another application has been granted on Bromham Road. I bring this up for no reason other than to remind everyone that public engagement in planning decisions is essential and that our Neighbourhood Plan, which is being refreshed by the Parish Council as I sit here writing, is the first and best line of defence against speculation. I would urge every resident to support our Parish Council by offering their views on the plan if/when it comes back to consultation or to a future meeting. Robert and I will, of course, ensure that it is well publicised through our Facebook pages.

All that remains to say is thank you once again for the privilege of serving you. Robert and I will continue to be active in our community and we look forward to seeing many of you at the duck race on Bank Holiday Monday, if it hasn't happened already by the time that you are reading this!

Kind regards,

Cllr Dylan Simmons (dylan.simmons@bedford.gov.uk)

Cllr Robert Rigby (robert.rigby@bedford.gov.uk)"



Sunday 12 July

Bromham Show

Bromham's Community Event of the Year

12 - 5pm Bromham Village Hall Field

Children FREE

Adults £3

Parking
£3

Defying Gravity - freestyle BMX and Mountainboarding display

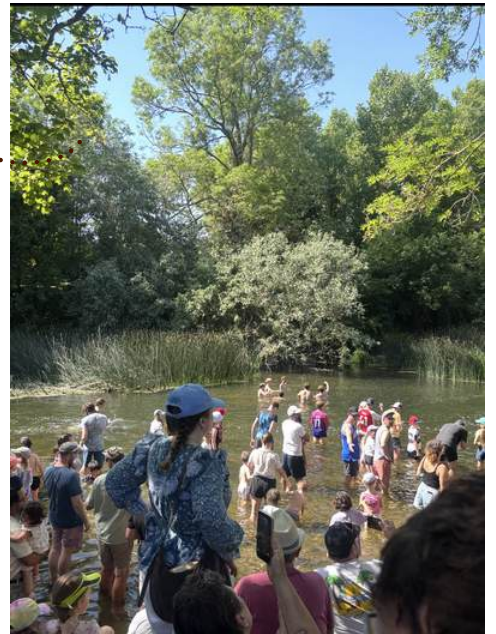
Black Eagles - a trio of acrobats that have performed all over Europe

Wonder Wheelers - weird and wacky bicycles to ride





Spring In Bromham



Family Pizza Party 4th June at 5pm

Bromham Baptist Church
Village Road, MK43 8LJ

Everyone welcome!

Special dietary
requirements
must be emailed
in advance to:
family@bromham.org

No need to pre-book.



Bromham
Baptist
Church

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Bedford - Bromham - Olney - Northampton

Includes short journeys to Stagsden

Monday to Saturday

	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41
Bedford Bus Station	0610	0810	0900	1010	1100	1210	1300	1410	1610	1710
Bedford Rail Station	0615	0815	0905	1015	1105	1215	1305	1415	1615	1715
Biddenham, Merrill's Field	0620	0820	0910	1020	1110	1220	1310	1420	1620	1720
Bromham, The Swan	0624	0824	0914	1024	1114	1224	1314	1424	1624	1724
Bromham, Springfield Road	0628	0828	0918	1028	1118	1228	1318	1428	1628	1728
Bromham, Brookside Park	0635	0835	0925	1035	1125	1235	1325	1435	1635	1735
Stagsden, High Street	-	-	0930	-	1130	-	1330	-	-	-
Turvey, The Laws	0640	0840	-	1040	-	1240	-	1440	1640	1740
Lavendon, Memorial	0644	0844	-	1044	-	1244	-	1444	1644	1744
Olney, The Bull	0651	0851	-	1051	-	1251	-	1451	1651	1751
Yardley Hastings, High Street	0702	0902	-	1102	-	1302	-	1502	1702	-
Denton, Bridge Meadow	0705	0905	-	1105	-	1305	-	1505	1705	-
Brailfield-on-The-Green, Red Lion	0710	0910	-	1110	-	1310	-	1510	1710	-
Northampton, Bus Interchange	0725	0925	-	1125	-	1325	-	1525	1725	-

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Brillfield-on-The-Green, Red Lion	-	0743	-	0943	-	1143	-	1343	1543	1743
Denton, Bridge Meadow	-	0745	-	0945	-	1145	-	1345	1545	1745
Yardley Hastings, High Street	-	0748	-	0948	-	1148	-	1348	1548	1748
Olney, Aspreys	-	0756	-	0956	-	1156	-	1356	1556	1756
Olney, The Bull	0711	0801	-	0901	-	1201	-	1401	1601	1801
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Bedford Rail Station	0747	0837	0950	1037	1150	1237	1350	1437	1637	1837
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We believe that early education lays the foundation for a child's future, and at The Almonds Pre-School, we focus on "Learning Through Play" to make sure every child is happy, supported, and ready for school.

Interested?

Visit our website or call us during opening hours (9am–1pm) on 07729 583331 to arrange a visit — we'd love to show you around and answer any questions.

Alternatively, you can contact Mrs Russell at any other time on 01234 857196.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to our friendly and caring pre-school community!



Bromham Good Neighbours



Do **YOU** need any help with the following?

Our friendly volunteers have completed over 300 jobs in the village, helping residents with a variety of tasks.

🚗 **Transport** – to a social event, doctors, dentist, shopping.

🌿 **Light Gardening** – weeding, mowing your lawn

📄 **Form Filling, Letter Writing or Collecting Prescriptions**

💡 **Small Household Jobs** – changing lightbulbs putting out bins

☕ **Befriending** – have a cuppa & a chat with a volunteer with similar interests.

Please, let us help you by calling:

07475 764322

Telephone line is open Monday -Friday (10am-4pm)
Or email us on: bgns.committee@gmail.com

Bromham Allotments Association:

How lovely to see all the trees bursting into leaf, and have you noticed what a vivid Spring Green colour they are this year? I suspect that has something to do with all the rain we had earlier in the year.

Meanwhile, at the Allotment seeds are germinating, apple blossom is just coming out and the miracle of new life is seen again! It is lovely to see ploholders, newbies and old hands, working their plots, enjoying the sunshine and chatting about 'growing' tips and hints. We have our 'Coffee and Cake' morning (10 am – 12 noon) on Saturday 22nd August, so why not pay us a visit and have a look around....

At present all plots are taken, but if you are interested in joining our waiting list, please email Jan at bromhamolivers@gmail.com

BROMHAM TODDLERS (& TIDDLERS)

Charity No: 1031617 We meet in the Baptist Church Hall on a Tuesday morning (during term time) from 9.30 - 11.30 am. We have toys/activities suitable for new born up until 4 years. Cost is £2.50 for the first adult/child and 50p per subsequent adult/child (over 6 months). There is tea/coffee for carers and a drink/biscuit for the little ones. We finish with a song time, when adults and children sit together in a circle and choose their favourite action song. There is a lovely sense of community within the group and we hope to see you there with your little ones!



Nature Club

Making wooden insect homes at bromham mill nature club.



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June 13th, July 11th, and Aug 8th
St Owen's Church will be open
from 10am to 12noon. Do drop in
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have a cuppa!

Contact us:

Administrator: Sarah Smale 07494 069540

administrator@bromhambenefice.org

Vicar: Rev Catherine Wilson 01234 825665

vicar@bromhambenefice.org



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Special Services & Events
Summer 2026

Summer Holiday Fun!

Mon August 10th 11.30am- 1.30pm.

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2026 Village Awards

The Village Awards were held on 15 April 2026 in the Community Room at St Owens.

Local groups joined the meeting to give a round up of the year 2025/2026 and community awards were presented by Sian Woodfine, Chair to the following recipients:

- Sandra & Pete Ware, day in day out putting away neighbour's bins
- Mill Nature Club Volunteers, for instilling children with an ethos to care for community and creating fun learning experiences
- Jan Pedersen, for working incredibly hard as a secretary to the BGN scheme
- Heather Challen, for running the Bromham Church Toddler group for many years
- Jen Hudson, for running two toddler groups and weekly after school clubs and going to the local primary school to do assemblies and lessons
- John Kelley, for planting daffodils around the village and maintaining green areas



Volunteering opportunities

Mill Volunteering

12th July 2026.



Bromham Show
Bromham's Community Event of the Year



Your show needs you!

If you love our show why not come and help out!

We need...
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Could you help with?...

**Social Media Support,
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Helping at the entrance.**

Please get in touch!
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Experience Living History at Bromham Mill

After 15 months of dedicated restoration work, the Mill Machinery Group are proud to announce that Bromham Mill is milling flour once again!

For the first time in years, wheat grain has successfully been turned into flour using the restored historic machinery; and now you can be part of keeping this tradition alive.

Monthly Milling Demonstrations, subject to suitable water levels, live milling demonstrations are planned for the second Saturday of every month at Bromham Mill.

Volunteers Wanted

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with:

- Milling demonstrations
- Heritage and maintenance activities
- Community events

No previous experience is necessary, just an interest in local history and community spirit

Get involved: Contact Phil Grabham on 07840240166 or come along to our regular Monday afternoon session 13:30 to 15:30 at Bromham Mill meeting at the Volunteers mini barn



Scouts

Volunteering is easier than you think...



Welcome to the Leslie Sell Activity Centre

A Scout campsite owned and operated by Bedfordshire Scouts. This facility gives young people in Scouting the opportunity to camp, undertake activities such as archery, caving, air-rifle shooting and much more, and experience the great outdoors.

Everyone in Bedfordshire Scouts is a volunteer and we need your help. Try flexible volunteering, either behind the scenes or directly with young people. All training is provided by Bedfordshire Scouts.

Types of Volunteering

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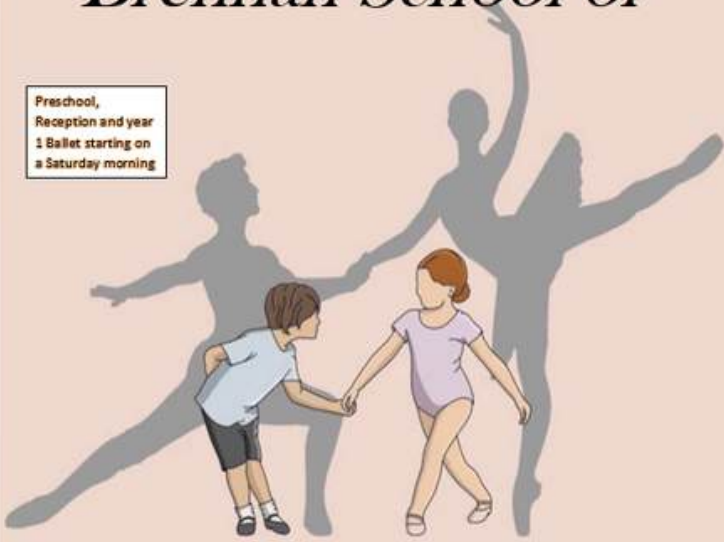
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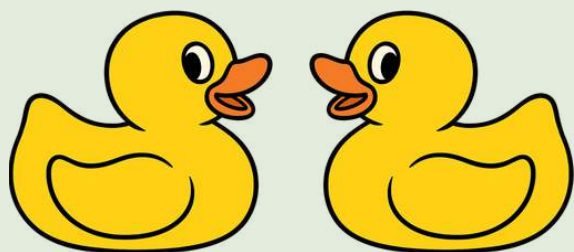
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