



BARNINGHAM CEVC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Our focus for Collective Worship this half term is **Service** – we will be continuing with this focus during this half term.



Welcome Back!

It has been great to get the children back into school over the past few days. The school feels alive again once more and there is a buzz of activity within the school. It has been wonderful to begin meeting all of the children, especially those who I didn't get the chance to meet during lockdown. I have now spent some time with nearly all classes and it has been wonderful getting to know them.



Vision and Values for the school

As the school has been going through much change over the past year, from living through the COVID-19 pandemic, changes in staffing, a new Headteacher and lockdown to name a few, I have decided to look at our school's vision.

What do we want for the children of Barningham for the future? What do we want for them now?

I am going to be doing lots of work with parents, children, staff, the church and governors over the next few months around deciding our school's vision and deciding on the values that are important to us. **For this reason, Tuesday 4th May will be a PD day and therefore the school will be closed.** I know that this may be inconvenient for some families, but I wanted to give as much notice as possible to allow arrangements to be put in place. During this day, I will be working with staff on creating our vision for the school and I will share this with everyone after this date.



I will also be putting together a parent focus group over the coming weeks to discuss what parents want for their children and for the school moving forward. **If you are interested in joining this parent focus group, please contact the school by Tuesday 16th March.** I am looking for parents from different year groups so that I can get a good picture of the school and the parent's view.



Term Dates

Following on from this newsletter, you will receive an email with the term dates all the way until January 2022 – including the **PD day on Tuesday 4th May** – I know many of you are hoping to plan holidays for the Summer and for Christmas time, if restrictions allow, so these dates are there to support you with this. Please remember to not book holidays during term time – we want to make the most of the time children have left in school this year to catch up on any lost learning.

Uniform

As shops are currently closed and I know many children have grown during the lockdown, we will be being more lenient on expectations around uniform for the coming weeks. I want to support families at this time in relation to uniforms so please do not worry. Once shops begin to reopen, I'll write to you again about uniforms but for now, please ensure your child is wearing items as close to the uniform as possible.



Twitter

Come and have a look at some of the great work happening at school by clicking on this link <https://twitter.com/BarninghamCEVCP>. Also, **You can follow us on @BarninghamCEVCP.** If you can 'like' or 'retweet' our tweets, it helps to get the school some positive attention.

House Points:

Blue 3,564

Yellow 3,373

Red 2,977



Achievement Awards and House Points

The house points include the ones earned last week during remote learning. Rabbits & Squirrels are the only classes with stars of the week for last week as we were closed on Friday.



Rabbits - for his fantastic puppet theatre that he created and researching to learn about the planets solar system.

Rabbits - for her amazing fire engine that she made from junk modelling.

Squirrels - for going beyond what he's been asked to do.

Squirrels - for challenging himself.



Key Dates for your diary:

Friday 19th March: Red Nose Day

Friday 26 March: Last day of school

Monday 12 April: Children back in school

Owl class Kingswood Outdoor Learning has now been moved to the **7th, 8th and 9th July 2021** instead of Wednesday 10 March – Friday 12 March due to the current situation with COVID-19.



A note from the Governors: We warmly welcome all the children back to school today and thank all the staff at our school for all the additional steps they have prepared to ensure the school is a safe place for your child(ren) to return to. We hope the children will enjoy engaging in their classwork with their friends and have fun playing together at break times. The sound of hearing children laughing together in the playground is one of pure joy, and one that has been sorely missed. Thank you to all parents and carers who have worked so hard to support the remote learning since Christmas, we hope you now manage to take a well-earned rest. If you would like to know more about the work of the Governors, please contact me at barninghamgovernors+julie@gmail.com

Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors

Why not look on our **school website** (www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk) for more information, newsletters, policies and some fantastic photos? We regularly post news on the blog page and class teachers will let you know what is happening in school.

Stephany Hunter
Head Teacher

To learn, aspire, believe and hope through our Christian faith.

Barningham CEVC Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Miss Hunter, the Alternate Designated Person is Mrs Pipe and the Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding is Rev Cathy Bladen. The Online Safety Lead is Mrs Smithson and the Governor with Responsibility for Online Safety is Rev Cathy Bladen.



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