**Newsletter No. 13 Autumn 2021**

Our Core Value for this half term is ‘***to give’***

Our Christian value for this half term is ***‘generosity’***

**Collective Worship:** This week, we have been focusing on Advent and how Christians prepare for Christmas. We have continued to look at the theme of generosity and our core value ‘to give’ this half term.



 ***Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us at Barningham CEVC Primary School!***

**Christmas Fundraising 2021**

Thank you for all your contributions this half term to Christmas fundraising activities. Whether it be donating during the Christmas carolling, buying raffle tickets, buying a Christmas jumper or buying from the cake and cookie sale, we cannot thank you enough. Despite the difficulties that COVID presented,

**The friends team have managed to raise an amazing £1,180.38 for the school!**

What an incredible achievement. This will make such a difference to the school and to our children’s learning.

I truly thank you all on behalf of all the children and staff at Barningham CEVCP. See the next page for further details from the Friends of Barningham school.

**Christmas Jumper Day!**

Thank you to all the families who brought in £1 for children to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school on Wednesday. The children loved wearing them and had their Christmas lunch in them with their Christmas hats that they made on their art day. As a result, **we** **managed to raise £70 to go to SOS Children’s Charity.** We are linked with Porto Alegre and any gift will truly make a difference to the children and families in this village. Every day, they work to ensure that children grow up in a stable environment, where they feel loved, safe and supported, so that they can experience the childhood they deserve.

**Rabbit & Squirrel Nativity**

I know that many parents are awaiting eagerly to see the video of the Rabbit & Squirrel Nativity at the church. We have recorded a video and taken some photos which we are hoping to share with parents’ tomorrow. We have to share all photos and videos securely as some families haven’t granted permission for children’s images to be shared. We are hoping to do this via **Google Classroom & Tapestry** but we are having a few technical issues which hopefully will iron out by tomorrow. I will write to you again tomorrow to let you know where we get to.

**Christmas Parties**

Tomorrow children will be having their Christmas parties in class. They can come to school dressed in their party clothes and bring in 50p. Teachers will use this to buy some popcorn/treats for the party.



**Midday Supervisor Vacancy**

We still have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor for around 3 days per week. The role is from 12pm – 1.30pm and involves supporting children during their lunchtime. We have a great team of MDSAs and we would love to welcome another person to the team. To find out more or to collect an application pack, please call or email the office.

**Friends Newsletter Update**

Wow what an amazing week we have had as a Friends team. **The Bags 2 School collection last week made £51.** Thank you to all who donated your unwanted items. We would like to say a huge thank you to **Mrs Sandy Atwell who has very generously given £206 towards the sales of her homemade crafts**. T**he raffle raised an incredible £495** so thank you to all who donated prizes and to all who bought tickets. The **Christmas children’s cake sale raised £55.80**. We would like to say thank you to everyone who joined us for the **carol singing on Sunday and with your help we managed to raise £159.58.** Thank you to the residents of Barningham for giving so generously. Thank you to Miss Jackson for helping the children to learn the songs ready for the carol singing. Thank you to all who donated Christmas jumpers but unfortunately there wasn’t enough for us to do the jumper swap in school but we have managed to sell them and **raised £16.**

We hope the children enjoyed their Christmas chocolate treat from the Friends. **Thank you to Mrs Hunter Clause and Elf Lowe** for delivering these to the children. We are pleased to announce to you all that the Christmas fundraising has raised **£1180.38** for our school.

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported us. Without your support, this amazing amount would not have been possible. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and all the best for 2022.

**Friends of Barningham School**

**Building Work Update**

After speaking with our contractors, we have been advised that there have been some complications with the building work. This has meant the date has been pushed back a further. **The new date of completion will be Friday 7th January.** I know that this is frustrating but I feel confident that everyone is working as fast as they can to get the project completed. This means that Badger class will continue to be in the temporary classroom in the hall into the new year.

**COVID-19 (Update from Suffolk Guidelines)**

Suffolk County Council has updated headteachers with their additional measures to manage the risk of infection across the county. There are now three levels that schools fall into. We are considered a Level 1 school as we currently have only 1 confirmed positives tests within the last 10 days. A summary of the measures for a level 1 school are below:

* Usual control measures; ensure an enhanced cleaning schedule, ventilation and regularly handwashing
* Carbon dioxide monitors to be used to action plan areas of poor ventilation
* Essential visitors only to school settings. All visitors to wear face coverings including parents at pick up/drop off
* All staff to wear face coverings in communal areas
* Twice weekly LFD testing for staff and adults
* This will be reviewed every two weeks. The next review will be during the week beginning the 29th November.
* Additional guidance has been shared with schools to enable level 1 schools to hold small events which are appropriately risk assessed.

**Vision & Values**

Over the last few months, we have been working with staff, pupils and governors about our schools mission, vision and values.

**Our Mission:** ***We grow in faith, grow in our learning and grow our future world***

**Our Core Values:** ***To be ambitious****,* ***to be kind*** and ***to give***

This term, we are going to be focusing on **giving** to others

**Uniform**

A reminder that the **new uniform policy has now started but will come fully into place in September 2022.** This will allow families to have the year to move from navy trousers/skirts to black and to purchase new uniform when their child grows out of their old uniform. A summary of the main uniform changes are below:

* Children will wear black bottoms (skirts, trousers, shorts, jogging bottoms on PE days)
* Jumper/cardigan remains navy with the school logo
* Ties will no longer be part of the school uniform from September 2022
* School PE kit will have the red PE t-shirt with logo, black jogging bottoms/shorts and plain all black trainers.

Thank you to all the parents for your commitment in ensuring children are dressed smartly to come to school.

***Please remember to put your children’s names on all items of clothing so that we can return any lost property to their rightful owner.***

I have seen a great improvement in uniform across the school since we have been back in September. Please can I ask parents to continue to support the school with the following:

* Children should not be wearing earrings on PE days. This is to ensure their safety whilst taking part in PE.
* On non-PE days, children should only wear small studs to avoid any earrings getting caught at break/lunchtime
* Children should not be wearing nail varnish at school.
* Smart watches are not allowed at school – some of these watches have features like recording, taking images, receiving notifications and calculators. As it is difficult to identify which watches have which features, we will no longer be allowing any electronic watches for pupils. If your child would like to wear a watch to school, an analogue watch will be allowed.
* Shoes on PE days from September 2022 will need to be all black.

**Breakfast Club**, which opens at 7.45 every morning and costs just £4 per session, **payable when you drop off** please or via the SchoolMoney app



 **After School Club** is open for five nights a week until 4:30 and it is £4 a session. We provide a snack, games and friendship. We’d love to see you there! Please book in advance through the school office.



**House Points: Blue 436     Yellow 359** **Red 314**

**Blue** team are in the lead!

**Key Dates for your diary: (Please note new dates in red/changes in red)**

**Friday 17th December:** Christmas parties in classes

**Tuesday 4th January:** PD Day for staff (school closed to children)

**Wednesday 5th January:** First day back to school for children

**Friday 18th February:** School closed for additional holiday day for the Platinum Jubilee.



**"A note from the Governors:** To all our children and their families, and to all those who work in our school, we wish you all a very happy Christmas, and all the best for 2022. Thank you to our staff for working so hard amongst the challenges brought to them, with both the COVID precautions, and the restricted space caused by much longer than expected building works; we hope you all have a well-deserved break.  Keep safe.

**Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors"**

**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.

Our Class Pages are up and running and you can find them here:

@BCEVCPOwls <https://mobile.twitter.com/BCEVCPOwls>

@BCEVCPBadgers <https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpbadgers>

@BCEVCPSquirrels <https://mobile.twitter.com/BCEVCPSquirrels>

@BCEVCPRabbits <https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcprabbits>

If you haven’t got a twitter account, you can follow instructions here <https://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Twitter-Account> . Then once you have an account, you can follow us on @BarninghamCEVCP or your child’s class as above (or both!).

Why not look on our **school website** ([www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk](http://www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk) ) for more information, newsletters and policies.

Stephany Hunter

Headteacher

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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 Mrs Kurtz.

The Online Safety Lead is Mrs Smithson and the Governor with Responsibility for Online Safety is Mrs Kurtz

    

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