

## **BARNINGHAM CEVC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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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 continued looking at our new core value which is 'to give'. We have discussed what giving truly means and what we can give. We summarised this as giving time, money, food, friendships and kindness. We have also been looking at how this links to the Christian value of Generosity.



### Christmas at Barningham

Once more today, we received Public Health recommended measures for Suffolk schools and settings which states: 'Following a review of data, local Public Health colleagues have decided to keep the current measures in place. This decision to keep the control measures at each level the same is in part based on the fact that case numbers are starting to rise again.'

Therefore, with the current restrictions in place, we will be unable to host many of the events with parents this Christmas. I know that this will be upsetting and I can understand that this is frustrating, but with cases on the rise in Suffolk, it is important that we keep our community as safe as possible. Please note the following below:

- I am intending for the **Nativity performance to be the only event that parents will be invited to attend**. Out of all of our events, this one I feel is the most important and the one that we can minimise risk for. This event will be open only to parents of children in Rabbits or Squirrels and will be held in the church. All parents will need to wear a face covering and will need to sit socially distanced within the church. I strongly recommend that parents complete an LFD before attending and don't attend if they have any symptoms. We will be sending out a booking form for parents to complete so we can understand numbers and plan our risk assessment accordingly. This will come out next week.
- The Christmas fayre has now been cancelled. The Christmas Art day has been cancelled for parents but we will still go ahead with this day for the children.
- Christmas jumper swap shop will happen with the children in the school on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December where children can buy a donated jumper for £1. Please make sure if you have any Christmas jumpers to donate, that these are brought into school by no later than Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.
- All Christmas events can be found at the bottom of the newsletter.



**Friends update:** Hi everyone, we hope you are keeping well. We are holding our own **Christmas jumper swap** in which you are able to donate your unwanted in good condition Christmas jumpers to help us to raise funds for the school where we then sell them for £1. Look out for the flyer sent out via email this week. We are also going to do our **Class box raffle** again this year. The boxes will be in school from **Thursday 25th November** ready for your donations. The colours for each class are:

## Rabbit- Gold/Yellow Squirrel- Red Badger- Sliver Owls- Green

The raffle tickets for the class boxes and our main raffle will go on sale **Wednesday 1st December.** The draw for both raffles will be held on **Wednesday 15th December**.

**Bags2school** will be coming to collect your unwanted but still good to use items on **7th December** and the list of what can/can't be donated can be found in the email sent or on the friends Facebook page. Please can you bring your items in on the morning before 9am as we have nowhere to store them before this date.

**Christmas fayre**, after much consideration it is with regret that we have reached the decision to cancel the school Christmas fayre. With COVID restrictions still in force in school, and space limited due to the building works, we cannot host a fayre and ensure COVID safety. We thank you for your understanding and we hope to host the fayre next year. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

To keep up to date with our fundraising activities visit our friends of Barningham school Facebook page.

## Friends of Barningham School



# Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We now 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.



## Children in Need

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November, we successfully raised £125 for Children in Need. Thank you all for your kind donations!

Just a school. In emergency patience



#### Parking

reminder to parents to not park in the pub car park across the road from the addition to this, please do not use the church car park. This is closed for repairs. I know that parking is difficult around the school and appreciate your with this.

## COVID-19 (Update from Suffolk Guidelines)



Suffolk County Council has updated headteachers this week 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 don't have any 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 g

- 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 29<sup>th</sup> November.
- Additional guidance has been shared with schools to enable level 1 schools to hold small events which are appropriately risk assessed.



## Ventilation in school

In line with our COVID-19 risk assessment, we ensure that the school is well ventilated with open windows and doors and promoting being outside wherever possible e.g. breaks, lunch and PE lessons. As the weather is getting colder, please can you ensure your child is coming to school with a waterproof jacket/coat and on colder days, wears appropriate clothing and footwear to keep them warm.



## **Times Table Rock Stars**

We would recommend that the children practice in the 'Garage' for three minutes a day at least four times a week. However, there are also lots of different games to explore. At the moment, we would like children from Year 2 to Year 6 to access the website, and will introduce Time Tables Rock Stars to Year 1 at a later date.



#### Marvellous Me

We hope that you have been enjoying the Marvellous Me Badges and activities that have been sent to you over the last few weeks. Badges are sent to individual children who have shown something to be proud of. Activities are sent to summarise what the class have been learning. We hope this helps your conversations at home about what children have been learning.



#### **Celebration Assemblies**

If your child has won a certificate or medal outside of school for anything that they take part in, please encourage them to bring this in on Fridays so we can celebrate their ambitious achievements at school.



#### 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.



## Bag2School

The Friends have organised a Bag2School collection for Tuesday 7th December so please keep hold of your unwanted but still good enough to wear items to bring in that day (pleases do not bring in before as we have no place to store it).



## Change in Jubilee Date for School Bank Holiday

The new date agreed with Suffolk County Council for the additional holiday day for schools for the Platinum Jubilee is going to be on Friday 18th February 2022. This will mean that school will be closed on this day.

**House Points:** Blue team are in



**Blue 292** 

Yellow 210 **Red 224** 



Key Dates for your diary: (Please note new dates in red/changes in red) Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December: Raffle Tickets go on sale for the Class Raffle Boxes. Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Fayre (This has sadly been cancelled) Tuesday 7th December: Bag2School collection

Tuesday 7th December: Deadline to donate Christmas Jumpers for the Christmas Jumper Swap Shop

Wednesday 8th December: Christmas Art including dressing of the tree as well as Christmas Cookie & Cake Sale at school (this will now be for the children only)

Thursday 9th December: Friends meeting at 9.15am at the Village Hall

Thursday 9th December: Owl class visiting the Martineaus for Christmas activities at 9.30am

Friday 10th December: Christmas Jumper Swap Shop in school (afternoon)

#### Sunday 12th December: Carol singing in Barningham

Tuesday 14th December: Rabbits and Squirrels will perform the Nativity in St Andrew's Church for parents at 9.30am Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch.

Wednesday 15th December: Christmas service at the church 9.30am (children only)

#### Wednesday 15th December: The draw for raffle boxes will take place

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

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



A note from the Governors: As we approach the midpoint of this half term, we start to think about all the Christmas activities that will take place at school. Sadly Suffolk County Council COVID restrictions are still in force which prevents the school from opening up to parents and carers and sharing all the wonderful things the children are doing. This week we held our first Whole Governing Body meeting for this academic year, and it is the first time we have all met in person for two years (with all our previous meetings held virtually). We welcomed Mr Theo Morris to our team as our new parent governor; Theo brings a wealth of experience of working in schools and we look forward to working with him. Mr Kevin O'Connell has resigned as our co-opted governor, but has been reassigned as an associate governor, so I am pleased to say he is still very much part of the Barningham team. We therefore have a vacancy for a co-opted governor, so if you have skills you would like to offer to the governing body that would support the school and fulfil this vacancy, please get in touch with me at

barninghamgovernors+julie@gmail.com

#### 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 <u>https://twitter.com/BarninghamCEVCP</u>. 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 <u>https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpbadgers</u>

@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 <u>https://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Twitter-Account</u>. 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) for more information, newsletters and policies.

Stephany Hunter Headteacher

#### We grow in faith, grow in our learning and grow our future world

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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