

# Newsletter

#### No.4 Autumn 2022

## A Harvest Festival Thank You

#### A message below from Reverend Cathy:

'I just wanted to thank all the children, staff and parents for coming into church for our School Harvest Festival Service. We had a great time with singing and readings, prayers and a clever illustration of Harvest using the letters from the word HARVEST...so thank you. And Thank You all so much for your great generosity; We received a wonderful amount of food ...all of which will be going into the Food Bank in Bury. ..THANK YOU.' We managed to send 129 items to the Food Bank which will support so many families this winter.

#### Meet The Teacher Events

We will be hosting a Meet the Teacher event to give parents the opportunity to meet their child's class teacher and to hear about what is happening in their classroom. The details are below:

**Reception Rabbits:** Stay and Play afternoon on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm – 3.15pm.

**Y1/2 Squirrels, Year 3/4 Badgers & Y5/6 Owls:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm – 4pm or 4pm – 4.30pm

There are two sittings to support parents with children in more than one class. We can't wait to welcome you all to the school again!

## Prospective Reception 2023-2024 Open Afternoon

Will you be looking for a school place for your child to join Reception in September 2023? Or know someone who will be? Come along to Barningham Church of England VC primary school's open afternoon for prospective parents looking to apply for a school place in September 2023. Our Reception Open Afternoon is on Thursday 6th October 2022 at 3.30pm. Come and meet the Early Years team and the Headteacher and find out more about our small village school.

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 – 31 August 2019 they will be ready to join their school from September 2023! Our Core Value for this half term is



#### to be ambitious

Our Christian value for this half term is

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#### Prospective Reception 2023-2024 Open Afternoon

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 3.30pm. Find out more on the next page.

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



#### A Message from The Friends

Hi everyone, we held our first Friends meeting last night in order to plan our events for this year. It was disappointing that despite changing the time of the meeting to an evening, no new members joined us. In order for us to be successful more help is needed, so please do join us at our next meeting which we will be on **Wednesday 19th October at 7pm at Barningham Village Hall**. We thank Tracy Price for her role as Chair for the last year and all the fundraising she has done for the school, which was particularly challenging given the COVID restrictions in place in the Autumn/Spring terms last year. Despite these constraints, we raised some record breaking sums under her leadership, which paid for concreting the base of the bike shelter and will fund the school's first interactive whiteboard. Tracy has now stepped back from the role, and due to time constraints for other members in attendance, both Julie Surridge and Frances Kurtz will temporarily co-chair the Friends alongside their Treasurer and Secretary roles until a new Chair can be found.

Dates in the diary are:

**Christmas Fayre** - Saturday 26th November, time to be confirmed **Afternoon Tea** - Friday 11th November 2.30 til 4pm **Bag2School collection** - 9am Thursday 21st October

**Christmas Jumper Swap** - please donate any good quality unwanted Christmas jumpers to school so we can arrange this fun event in early December **Christmas cards** - cards and gifts with unique art designed by your child

We also have other plans for this term, but need to confirm dates - more details to follow......

Please also see the attached flyer detailing how you can support the school at no cost to yourselves when shopping at Amazon Smile or a wide range of other retailers via <u>www.easyfundraising.org.uk</u>.

For up-to-date information on what the Friends are organising, please follow our Facebook page. It also has a stock list of pre-loved uniform items that are available for a small donation should your child(ren) outgrow their uniform and you need a quick replacement.

https://www.facebook.com/FriendsBarninghamSchool/

Thank you for supporting our school

The Friends of Barningham School



#### **House Points**

Red: 224 points Yellow: 172 points Blue: 169 points

#### Key Dates for your diary

(Please note changes and amendments are in red) Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm – 3.15pm: Stay and Play for Reception Rabbit Parents Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm – 4pm or 4pm – 4.30pm: Meet the Teacher Session for Y1/2 Squirrels, Y3/4 Badgers and Y5/6 Owls. Parents can choose one of the sessions to come to. Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm: Prospective Reception Open Afternoon (Reception 2023-2024) Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October: Bags to School Collection at 9am Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October: Last day at school for children before half term begins Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October: Staff training day (PD Day) Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Children arrive back to school for Autumn 2. Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November: Friends Afternoon Tea 2.30pm until 4pm Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November: Christmas Fayre, (time to be confirmed)

#### Help with Food

It tough for many folk at the moment but there is help available for food. Our local Churches and Community are providing Food Bank Food locally for those who find themselves in need. So please if you're struggling to feed yourselves or your family do get in touch with Rev Cathy Bladen Phone: 01359 250239 or email: <u>revcathybladen@gmail.com</u> or speak to Miss Hunter or Mrs Shelton and they will arrange for you to receive food. It's all done confidentially, so please don't go hungry ...ask! Also at the Freedom Church, Mill Road, Great Barton, Suffolk, IP31 2RU, there is something called the **Still Good Food Project**. (www.stillgoodfood.org ) they are open Tuesdays 2.00pm - 4.00pm Wednesdays & Thursdays 10.00am - 12.00 noon... and for a couple of pounds you can fill a bag with groceries... So please do make use of that help too.

### **Clubs and Extended Day Provision**

We run a great **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.

We run an **After School Club** which 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.

We also run **Sports After School Clubs** which are funded by our Sports Premium and so these are free of charge to parents. Contact the school for more information.

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### A note from the governors

"We hope all the children have settled into the new school year and they are enjoying having new experiences, forming friendships and building memories. The children all look very smart in their uniform, and their good behaviour is a credit both to them and the school. As a governing body we have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you want to know more about the work of the governing body, or are interested in fulfilling this vacancy, please get in touch with me at <u>barninghamgovernors+julie@gmail.com</u> We wish all the children and staff a happy and productive year." Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors

#### Website, Twitter, Marvellous Me & Tapestry

We have lots of ways to keep parents up to date with information about what is happening in school. Whilst we await all the parent forms giving permissions for various platforms, some of these may not yet be updated. You can find out more in the following ways:

Website: www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk

Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/BarninghamCEVCP">https://twitter.com/BarninghamCEVCP</a>

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 can be found here:

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

@BCEVCPBadgers <a href="https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpbadgers">https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpbadgers</a>

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

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

Marvellous Me: This is a private platform to hear great things happening at school.

**Tapestry:** This is for Reception parents only and has now been set up for you.