

Newsletter

No.5 Autumn 2022

Attendance Race

We introduced the 'Attendance Race' to the children this week in assembly and talked about the importance of strong attendance to help us grow in our learning and to become a HERO:

- **H** Here
- **E** Everyday
- R Ready
- **O** On Time

Each week, the class with the highest attendance will move up a place on the 'Race Track' in the hall. At the end of each half term, the class who is in the lead will all get to wear their own clothes for a day! We start next week with the first winning class in December.

Times Table Rock Stars

Did you know all children have access to a Times Tables Rock Stars account! This helps them to become more confident with their times tables (and associated division facts) and support their mathematical learning. They have received their login details and have been asked to take these home. At the moment, we would like children from Year 2 to Year 6 to access the website. Although children in Year 1 have login details, they have not been taught about multiplication and division so there is no expectation that they access the site. However, if they would like to have a look at the site and begin to practice their times tables they are able to. Go to

https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/32409 to login.

Parent Events

We have had some really successful parent events this week where parents were able to come and meet their child's class teacher. We also held our prospective Reception open afternoon for academic year 23-24 and had a great turnout. It has been so wonderful to welcome parents back into the building and continue to build that working relationship between school and home. Our Core Value for this half term is



to be ambitious

Our Christian value for this half term is

courage

Bag 2 School Collection

Bring your unwanted but good quality items to school for donation Thursday 20th October at 9am.

Staff Training Day

A reminder that school is closed for staff training on **Friday 21**st **October 2022**

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Christmas is coming!

I know it is a long way off but Christmas will be here before you know it and I wanted to give parents as much notice as possible for events being held at the school:

- Saturday 26th November: The Friends will be hosting our Christmas Fayre to fundraise for the school. An event not to be missed!
- Rabbits (EYs) and Squirrel class (Y1/2) will be doing a performance of the Nativity at school this Christmas. Last year's performance we had to cancel because of COVID restrictions but we are looking forward to bringing this back this year!
 - Wednesday 7th December: EY/Y1/Y2 Nativity Performance to parents with young siblings 9.30am
 - Friday 9th December: EY/Y1/Y2 Nativity Performance to parents only 9.30am
- Tuesday 13th December: Christmas Craft Morning with parents from 9.15am where you'll be able to take part in arts and craft activities with your child
- Thursday 15th December: Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch for children and staff. Did you know that you can donate preloved Christmas Jumpers to the Friends and take part in a Christmas Jumper Swap?
- > We will also have a Christmas Service at the church (date TBC)

Uniform

Over the last week, we have noticed a decline in children wearing the correct school uniform. The key things to note are:

- On school uniform days, children should be wearing their school jumper, not their PE fleece. This is for PE days only.
- On PE days, children should be wearing plain black jogging bottoms/shorts and plain black trainers with no additional colours on them or the sole.

You can view the school uniform here: https://www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk/uniform

School Dinner Money

Please can we ask if parents are paying in cash that this is placed in a marked envelope with your child's name and class on. Correct change would be much appreciated also. Did you know that you can pay for dinners and clubs online? Contact the office to find out more.

House Points

Red: 274 points Yellow: 218 points Blue: 217 points

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Key Dates for your diary

(Please note changes and amendments are in red)

Thursday 20th October: Bags to School Collection at 9am Thursday 20th October: Last day at school for children before half term begins Friday 21st October: Staff training day (PD Day) Monday 31st October: Children arrive back to school for Autumn 2. Friday 11th November: Friends Afternoon Tea 2.30pm until 4pm Saturday 26th November: Christmas Fayre, (time to be confirmed) Wednesday 7th December: EY/Y1/Y2 Nativity Performance to parents with young siblings 9.30am Friday 9th December: EY/Y1/Y2 Nativity Performance to parents only 9.30am Tuesday 13th December: Christmas Craft Morning with parents from 9.15am Thursday 15th December: Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch for children Friday 16th December: Last day of term

A Message from The Friends

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**.

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 20th 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

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



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: revcathybladen@gmail.com 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.

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: https://twitter.com/BarninghamCEVCP



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 <u>https://mobile.twitter.com/BCEVCPOwls</u> @BCEVCPBadgers <u>https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpbadgers</u> @BCEVCPSquirrels <u>https://mobile.twitter.com/BCEVCPSquirrels</u> @BCEVCPRabbits <u>https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcprabbits</u> **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.