

# Newsletter

# No.31 Summer 2023

## Summer Term Dates

As we move into the summer term, there are many events added to the calendar to celebrate the end of the school year. Please scroll down to the end to see new dates added to the calendar for next half term.

# Phonics Screen Check (Year 1 & 2)

We will be conducting the phonics screen check to all year 1 pupils on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June. For Year 2 pupils who did not pass last year, they will also have the opportunity to retake this on this day. Miss Garland will complete the check with all of these children. If you have any questions about the check, please do ask Miss Garland.

# Year 4 Multiplication Check

We will be conducting the Year 4 Multiplication Check across 3 days: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June. These will take place for all year 4 pupils with Mr Rolfe and are completed on a laptop or electronic device. These are completed on a 1:1 basis so that all children can answer the questions in test conditions in a quiet room. If you have any questions about the check, please do ask Mr Rolfe.

## **Attendance & Holidays**

Children have been working so hard this year on their learning and it has been great to see so many children maintaining strong attendance throughout the year. This helps children to learn fundamental skills and to close the gaps in learning that grew when schools were closed back during lockdowns. Unfortunately, we are seeing an increase in holiday requests as we move into the later part of summer term. Headteachers can only grant leaves of absence in exceptional circumstances and therefore it is highly unlikely a leave of absence will be granted for the purposes of a family holiday and may lead to a fixed penalty notice. Our Core Value for this half term is



To give

Our Christian focus for this half term is

Peace

#### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Friends meeting at 7pm @ Village Hall

#### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Last day of term & Friends Donut Sale



## Learning Council Newsletter

See attached an update from the Learning Council who met this week to discuss plans for the second part of Summer Term and how they will be ensuring children continue with their learning about a variety of topics.

# Sports Day Update

We will be hosting Sports Day for the whole school (including Reception) on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July in the afternoon. This will be from 1pm – 3pm and all parents are invited to attend. The afternoon will be split into a carousel of activities for the first half and then races for the second half. We hope you can join us.

# A message from the Friends

Hi everyone, please join us this Friday 26th May for our end of term treat where we are hosting our **afterschool donut sale**; we will be selling donuts at 50p each and there will be enough for you to order for the family and take home for tea. We thank you in advance for your support.

The **Coronation tea towels** (see here: <u>Facebook</u>) have finally arrived and they look great. In order to buy one for £5 each, please see Mrs Pipe in the office.

Last Autumn we were given a beautifully hand knitted "garden clown" to use as a fundraiser in the Spring. The Spar shop in Barningham has kindly agreed to support us in a **"Name the Clown"** competition. Each name is £1 and the winner takes him home, (see here: <u>Have you seen this... - Friends Of Barningham CEVC Primary School | Facebook</u>). In order to enter please see the entry form at the till in the Spar.

We are **meeting at Barningham village hall this Wednesday 24th at 7pm** to discuss our fundraising for the next summer term, including the Summer Fayre (Saturday 1st July 1 - 3pm). Please do join us, all welcome.

After the May half term from 9th June, we plan the return of our very popular **ice cream Fridays**. We have a strong and committed group of Friends, but many of us work on Fridays which means we can only put on these end of week treats if <u>we have some extra help</u>. If you could spare half an hour on a Friday once or twice next half term from 3.15pm to serve ice-creams, please can you get in touch via our Facebook page or the school office (your child(ren) can be enjoying ice cream in the playground whilst you are helping us).. Unfortunately, without this support we will be unable to host these popular events.



We have planned a fundraising **car wash** on Saturday 10th June, from 10 am til 4pm in the playground (Bardwell Road entrance). The cost will be £8 per car and include tea, coffee and biscuits whilst you wait. Do come along and support your school by supporting this event.

Thank you to those who have signed up to <u>easyfundraising.org.uk</u>. Last week we received a payment of £15.90 - whilst most of this commission was generated a while back (we have not received a donation for some time and they only donate each quarter when the contributions reach above £15); all the little commissions do add up and support our cause.

**Help us raise funds for free** - Sign up to <u>Easyfundraising.org.uk</u> and make Friends of Barningham School your chosen charity and they will donate a small percentage of your purchase to us (at no cost to you). Just use the app or website every time you shop online. Hundreds of retailers have signed up including Amazon, Argos, Next, Ebay, Just Eat and many, many more......

#### Fundraising focus: interactive whiteboards:

- Owl class installed and fully funded
- Badger class installed and fully funded
- Squirrel class next focus

**Future Fundraising: Commemorative tea towels for King Charles III coronation**, £5 each, in reception now **Bag2School** - Wednesday 14th June 9am <u>Bag 2 School</u>

#### Dates in the diary are:

Friends Meeting - Wednesday 24th May 7pm, Barningham village hall Donut Sale - Friday 26th May 3.20pm Ice cream Fridays - every Friday after school 3.20pm from 9th June Car Wash - Saturday 10th June, 10 am til 4pm, school playground, £8 per car, refreshments provided Summer Fayre - Saturday 1st July, 1 til 3 pm Summer Disco - Thursday 13th July

Social Media - support our social media presence on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter. Please take pictures at our events and tag them with #friendsofbarninghamschool #fobs so we can all enjoy your photos and memories Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/FriendsBarninghamSchool/</u> Twitter: @BarninghamPTA Instagram: @friendsofbarninghamschool

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/

We wish you all a great half term holiday and thank you for your continued supportFriends of **Barningham School** 

# A note from the governors

It was good for the school to welcome a Sikh visitor to our school last Friday to share his wisdom about Sikhism; a great opportunity for our children to learn about other faiths. Well done to our Y2 children for their positive attitudes in taking their SATs last week, and we hope that the Owl class are enjoying their swimming classes on Mondays. We wish you all a wonderful Spring holiday with your families. If you would like to know more about the work of the governing body, please get in touch with me at barninghamgovernors+julie@gmail.com.

Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors"

# NHS Rainbow Day (7<sup>th</sup> July)

NHS Rainbow Day (Friday 7th July) We would also like to invite parents who work for the NHS to come and talk to the children on Friday 7th July just as above. We would like to celebrate all the wonderful work that the NHS does for us.

### **House Points**

Red: 115 (winners) Yellow: 52 This week: **Blue:** 38 In total this year: Red: 1,826 points Yellow: 2,149 points Blue: 2,180 points

# Key Dates for your diary

(Please note changes and amendments are in red) Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 23: Friends meeting at 7pm @ Village Hall Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 23: Friends Donut Sale After School Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 23: Last day at school for Summer 1. Half term begins. Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 23: Staff training day. School closed to children Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 23: First day back at school for Summer 2 Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 23: Friends Ice Cream Fridays Return (every Friday) Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 23: Friends Car Wash (please note correction to date) Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 23: Year 1 & Year 2 Resit Phonics Screen Check Week Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 23: Year 4 Multiplication Check Test Week Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 23: Bag2School Collection at 9am Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 23: Tempest School Photos (Class Photos) Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Year 5 & 6 visiting Thorpe Woodlands



Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June: Year 6 Transition Days @ Thurston & Ixworth
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July 23: Friends Summer Fayre 1pm – 3pm
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 23: Squirrels Multi-Sports Festival @ Thurston School
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July: New Reception Parents Transition – Meet the Teacher @ 2pm
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July: NHS Rainbow Day & Badger Multi-Sports Festival @ Thurston
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July & Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July: Transition Days at school for children to meet their teacher
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day for Whole School from 1pm – 3pm
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Summer picnic @ Martineaus (pm)
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Owl Class Production to parents with younger siblings @ 2pm
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July: End of year Reports to parents
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Leavers Service @ the church 9.30am
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July: Last day of Term

# **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.

# 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: <a href="http://www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk">www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk</a>

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 https://mobile.twitter.com/BCEVCPOwls

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

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

@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.