



**Barningham CEVC  
Primary School**

# Newsletter



No.18 Spring 2024

## Half Term Holiday Club

Unfortunately the half term holiday club has been cancelled due to low numbers. I know this is disappointing but without enough children booking on it isn't viable to run. We hope to offer other opportunities in the future.

## Athlete Visit to our School

Children had a great time yesterday meeting Jaydon Paddock. We managed the fundraise £1100! Thank you for all your generous donations and we hope the children enjoyed their time meeting Jaydon & taking part in their sponsored circuits.

## Kingswood Payments

The next Kingswood payment for Owl class is due by 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Please pay online via School Money or cash/cheque directly to school office.

## Careers Week

We are hosting our careers week during the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> March. We are looking for parents to come and speak with children about their jobs to inspire our children for their futures. If you are interested in helping us, please email [admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk) with your job title, a little about what you could speak about and your availability during this week so we can start planning our events.

## World Book Day

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March is World Book Day and we are busy preparing a fun day looking at books. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Future world council are also organising a fundraiser on World book day and we would like to ask children to donate 1 (good conditioned book) that they are willing to donate to be sold by future world council to raise funds for the school. We believe in the importance of recycling and limiting waste and this will help us to reach our mission!

Our Core Value  
for this half term is



**to be kind**

Our Christian value  
for this half term is

**trust**

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Owls & Squirrels  
Explorer Café at  
2.15pm

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Rabbits & Badgers  
Explore Café at  
2.15pm

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



## Explorers Café to celebrate books!

We are hosting explorer cafés to invite parents in to come and explore a book with their child. Each class will have a book to focus on and will plan activities for children to complete with their parents based on the book.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March: Owls & Squirrels Explorer Café at 2.15pm

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March: Rabbits & Badgers Explore Café at 2.15pm

## Easter Events – Save the Date!

We are hosting events for Easter and have listed these below. More information to follow but wanted parents to save the date 😊

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March: Friends School Disco

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Craft Morning 9am – 11am

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March: Friends Afternoon Tea 2.30pm

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March: Badger Class Performance of Matilda 2pm

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March: Badger Class Performance of Matilda 2pm

TBC: Easter Service @ Church and Easter Egg Hunt @ the Martineaus

## Lowering our age range to include 3 year olds

We are currently in discussions with the local authority to lower our age range to include 3 year olds. We are busy putting together our proposal and will share this with parents by Easter so that it can go out to consultation. We are hoping to be admitting 3 year olds by September 2024.

**A letter will go out today with a questionnaire for all parents to complete.**

## Extending after school club

From after Easter, we will be extending after school club to finish at 5.30pm. This is to enable childcare for working parents. Premier will be taking this on and booking will move to their online platform where spaces must be booked in advance. The first day of the later finish club will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024. I will write to parents next half term with more details.

## Vertas Catering Changes

Vertas are the company that supply our school lunches. They have written to us to explain that due to increased costs, **from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024, the cost of a school meal will be increased to £2.58.**



Do you think you may be entitled to free school meals? Click here to check eligibility

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals>

## Attendance Race

This term we have combined Rabbit & Squirrel class for the attendance race to make sure the numbers balance between classes. Results for last week are below:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Owl Class with 96.3%

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Squirrel & Rabbit Class with 96.1%

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Badger Class with 94.2%

## A note from the governors

“We wish all the children, the staff, and all our families a wonderful half term holiday and look forward to seeing you all after the break. We currently have a vacancy for a Co-opted Governor, if you are interested in this position, or you would like to know more about the role of the governors in our school, please contact either myself or Headteacher Miss Hunter. Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors on [admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk)” Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors

## House Points

**This week:**        **Red:** 161

**Yellow:** 149

**Blue:** 156

**Total this year:** **Red:** 2,496

**Yellow:** 2,616

**Blue:** 2,553

## Key Dates for your diary

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February:** First day back at school for Spring Term 2

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March:** Disco – after school, timings to follow

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March:** Owls & Squirrels Explorer Café at 2.15pm

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** Rabbits & Badgers Explorer Café at 2.15pm

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** Next Kingswood Payment is Due

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March:** World Book Day! Come dressed as your favourite book character

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March:** Careers Week

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March:** Easter Craft Morning 9am – 11am

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Friends Easter Event 2.30 til 4pm

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March:** Badger Class Performance of Matilda 2pm (parents with young children)

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** Badger Class Performance of Matilda 2pm (parents only)



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**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** Last day of Spring Term. Easter Break begins

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April:** Cost of school lunch increases to £2.58

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April:** Staff training day – school closed

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April:** First day back at school for Summer Term

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** Friends Afternoon Tea 2.30 til 4pm

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June:** Friends Summer Fayre 1pm – 3pm

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July:** Friends Disco – after school, timings to follow

## 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. Please book in advance through the school office.

## Website, Twitter & 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](http://www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk)

**Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/BarninghamCEVCP> (more recently changed to 'X')

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>

@BCEVCPSBadgers <https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpsbadgers>

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

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

**Tapestry:** This is for Reception parents only.