



**Barningham CEVC
Primary School**

Newsletter



No.20 Spring 2024

Easter Celebrations

There are many activities happening this week and we are excited to take part in fun and engaging activities as we reach the end of term.

Monday 31st March: Badger Class Performance @ 9.30am

Tuesday 1st April: Faith Council & Y5 visit Bury Cathedral for Big Sing

Tuesday 1st April: Easter Egg Hunt @ the Martineaus

Wednesday 2nd April: Easter Church Service @ 9.15am

Thursday 3rd April: Badger Class Performance @ 9.30am

Friday 4th April: Easter Craft Afternoon (Parents invited) & School Pudding Raffle @ 1.30pm

Learning Council will be preparing refreshments for the Craft Afternoon so please bring some change to buy a cup of tea and some biscuits. The afternoon will run from 1.30pm until 3.10pm with a tea break in the middle at 2.10pm. We hope you can join us.

Squirrel Village Walk

Last week, Squirrels went on a walk as part of their Geography unit. They had a great time finding out about our local area. They were also such wonderful representatives of our school. Mr Rolfe was so proud of them that he gave them a special star of the week award to the whole of Squirrel Class. Well done Squirrels 😊

Big Spring Sing – Bury Cathedral

On Tuesday 1st April, the faith council will be visiting Bury Cathedral to take part in the Big Spring Sing – a Christian Aid event to raise awareness of injustice and to come together as multiple schools to sing and raise money for Christian Aid. This year, they have space for additional pupils and we have chosen to bring Year 5 with us as well to experience a live band and take part in the singing and service. Each year we will bring Year 5 so that the whole school has the opportunity to visit.

Our Core Value
for this half term is



to be ambitious

Our Christian value
for this half term is

perseverance

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



Changes to Free School Meals

From the 1st April, there will be changes to pupils applying for Free School Meals. This does not affect pupils who already have FSM. It is important for schools to remind all parents and guardians who do not have a current claim or eligibility, to apply for this between now and the end of March 2025 if they think their child may be eligible, to ensure their claim and future funding are protected. Please visit [Apply for free schools meals - Suffolk County Council \(suffolk.gov.uk\)](https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/apply-for-free-school-meals)

Medical Appointments

We know and understand that on some occasions, children will need to miss school to attend medical appointments as some of these are difficult to arrange after school. In the school register there is an 'M' code for medical appointments – to be able to use this code we need to see a copy of the appointment letter and so will ask parents to supply a copy. Please support the office staff with this request so our registers are up to date and accurate at all times.

Breakfast Club Lead Vacancy from Sept

Miss Hopkinson, who has been running breakfast club over the last few years and has been an excellent teaching assistant in Owl class, will be leaving in July to pursue her career in becoming a teacher! She has been successfully accepted to being her teacher training from September. Therefore, we will have a vacancy for a breakfast club leader from September. If you may be interested in this role for 5 days or part time, please contact the school.

After School Clubs Next Term

Some of the clubs are changing next half term. We have added new clubs based on children's interests and wanted to share these with parents:

Monday – Dodgeball

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-925962/>

Tuesday - Badminton

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-925963/>

Wednesday – Football

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-925964/>

Thursday – Dance

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-925968/>

Friday – Handball

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-925965/>



Changes to Nursery Payments & Nursery Spaces

From Easter, as outlined in the parent letter sent on the 4th February, we will be taking advance payments for our Nursery spaces. This is to enable the school to plan staffing and catering arrangements based on the number of pupils attending each day. We still have some spaces in our Nursery and have some availability for 15 and 30 hour placements. You can find out if you are eligible by clicking here: <https://www.gov.uk/check-eligible-free-childcare-if-youre-working> . **If you are considering a placement for after Easter, please contact the school to reserve these places.**

School Lunch Price Increase

From April 2025, the cost for a school lunch will increase to £2.80. Our school meals are provided by Vertas. They have notified us that this increase is due to inflation and increased cost of goods.

A note from the governors

Such a great week ahead for the children, and we particularly look forward to the Badgers school performance, and to seeing all the children at the Church service on Wednesday and at the craft afternoon on Friday. With the beginning of British Summer Time over the weekend, we look forward to longer, warmer and sunnier days ahead; we certainly hope for great weather over the forthcoming holiday and wish you and your families a very happy Easter break. Recently I wrote to all parents and carers to explain a temporary change in leadership at the school for the summer term. We will be appointing a Head of School this term and further details will be circulated in due course. If you have any questions about this temporary arrangement, please do contact me. As governors, we have a vacancy for a Co-opted governor. If you are interested in this role or would like to know more about the work of the governing body, please contact me at admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk. Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors"

Key Dates for your diary

Monday 31st March: Badger Class Performance to parents with younger siblings

Tuesday 1st April: Faith Council & Year 5 visit Bury Cathedral for Big Sing

Tuesday 1st April: Easter Egg Hunt @ the Martineaus

Wednesday 2nd April: Easter Church Service @ St Andrews at 9.15am

Thursday 3rd April: Badger Class Performance to parents only

Friday 4th April: Easter Craft Afternoon (Parents invited) & School Pudding Raffle

Friday 4th April: End of Term – Easter Break begins

Monday 7th April: School lunch cost increases to £2.80

Monday 21st April: Bank Holiday



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Tuesday 22nd April: Staff Training Day – School closed to pupils
Wednesday 23rd April: First day back for pupils in Summer term

House Points

Points this week:

Nightingale House: 139

Attenborough House: 164

Einstein House: 120

Total Points so far

Nightingale House: 3746

Attenborough House: 3223

Einstein House: 3216

Attendance Race

This Week:

1st Place: Owl Class

2nd Place: Rabbit & Squirrel Class

3rd Place: Badger Class

Total points so far this term:

Rabbits & Squirrels: 13 points

Badgers: 24 points

Owls: 23 points

Clubs and Extended Day Provision

We run a great **Breakfast Club**, which opens at 7.45 every morning and costs just £5 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 5pm and it is £7 a session. We mix this with sports clubs to keep children active! Please book in advance via the links below

Mondays – Dodgeball

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922196/>

Tuesdays – Table Tennis

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922197/>

Wednesdays - Football 1

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922198/>

Thursdays – Football 2

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922199/>

Fridays – Kurling

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922200/>



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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

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>

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

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

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

Tapestry: This is for Reception & Nursery parents only.