

# Newsletter



Our Core Value for this half term is



to be ambitious

Our Christian value for this half term is

courage

Monday 8<sup>th</sup>
September
Nursery Pupils start

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September
Peter Prinsley (MP)
visits our school

No.1 Autumn 2025

#### Welcome Back!

We have had the best start to a new school year at Barningham this week. It has been a joy seeing all the children in their uniform, looking smart and ready for school. All children arrived beaming and the school feels like such a happy place this week.

This week, we have spent time revisiting our school vision and values and the children are busy working on setting up their goals and ambitions for the year.

Next week, the children begin their full curriculum and so parents will receive the class newsletter outlining what their child will be learning this half term. 'Meet The Teacher' will also take place on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September after school for Squirrels, Badgers and Owls so that parents can find out what to expect for the year. If you have any questions about your child's learning or any worries, please speak with your child's class teacher at the end of the day.

Finally, we are working on a new way to communicate with parents about key dates and are intending to set up a half termly one page document outlining all dates that will also be available on our website. We hope this will support parents in planning for any events they wish to attend and to book necessary time off work where applicable.

Welcome back to the new school year and I look forward to Barningham achieving all that we set out to achieve this year.

Miss Hunter Headteacher

The Prime Minister's letter to parents and carers on <u>Best Start in Life</u> can be read <u>here</u>.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>
September
Year 5/6 Residential
Parent Information
Session @ 3.30pm in
Owl Class



## **Spaces for Musical Instrument Lessons**

We have 12 children continuing with their musical instrument lessons this year and we are proud of all the progress they have made. We do now have some spaces available for Musical Instrument lessons this year if your child wants to learn a new instrument and they have not already signed up. We have available:

For Year 3 upwards: Violin or Flute or Clarinet For Year 4 upwards: Trumpet or Trombone

If you are interested and would like to sign up for some free kickstarter sessions, please fill in this form by clicking the hyperlink.

## Visit from a Member of Parliament

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September, we are hosting Peter Prinsley at Barningham to talk through the financial challenges that schools are currently facing as well as the challenges with Suffolk around waiting times for SEND pupils who are awaiting a diagnosis or EHCP. It is also a great opportunity for us to showcase our school and for our children to meet a member of parliament.

# High School Application Forms for Year 6

We wanted to make parents aware that the deadline for applications for secondary school is Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025. Both Ixworth and Thurston are holding open days in the coming weeks for parents:

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September: Ixworth Open Evening for Y6 pupils Timing TBC

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October: Thurston Open Evening for Y6 pupils 6pm – 8pm

# Are you eligible for Free School Meals?

You can find out if your child may be eligible for Free School Meals by clicking on this link: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals">https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals</a> and entering in your postcode and some basic information. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

#### Online Data Forms

This year we have continued with an online system to collect information from parents such as contact details and any medical issues. The link can be found here: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/LJjvaMEBUj">https://forms.office.com/e/LJjvaMEBUj</a> Please can all parents complete this by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September.



#### Flu Vaccination at School

Parents have been emailed an information leaflet and if they would like their child to receive a flu vaccination at school. This will take place on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

## Protecting Young People from Online Radicalisation

Young People are spending significant amounts of unsupervised time online which may increase their risks of grooming and exposure to extremist content. Seeking to upskill teachers, parents and carers of young people who might be exposed to harmful online content, Norfolk Community Safety Partnership and Suffolk County Council are working in partnership with Small Steps to deliver free online sessions aiming to challenge Extreme Right-Wing (ERW) narratives. Please read attached leaflet for more information.

#### Meet the Teacher Parent Sessions

We will be holding these sessions for parents to give you a chance to meet your child's class teacher, find out about what your child will be learning about and key information to help your child be successful this year. Sessions for KS1 and KS2 are 3.30pm – 4pm or 4pm – 5.30pm to give parents with siblings the chance to attend both classes.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm: Y1/2 Squirrels, Year 3/4 Badgers & Year 5/6 Owls Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 9am: Reception & Nursery Rabbits Stay & Play Parent Session

# Prospective Reception & Nursery 2026 Stay and Play

If your child was born between 1 September 2021 – 31 August 2022 they will be ready to join their school from September 2026!

Will you be looking for a school place for your child to join Reception in September 2026? Or will your child be turning 3 years old in the next few years and are interesting in our Nursery?

Barningham CEVC Primary School welcome new families of prospective nursery and reception children to come along and join us for a stay and play session to have fun playing in our class and meet the Early Years team. To book a place email: admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk

Our sessions will be on Tuesday 7th October 2025 from 1.30pm to 3pm and Wednesday 8th October 2025 from 9am to 10.20am. If you are unable to attend, please call the school office to book a tour at a date that is convenient to you.



#### **Class Newsletters**

Each half term, class teachers will send out a class newsletter. This will let you know what your child is learning in their class in all their subjects. You should receive this via email each half term. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

## School Uniform @ Church

As we start the new school year, I wanted to remind parents that if you are looking for new school uniform, we have pre-loved clean uniform available for parents in the church. Please help yourself to any items you would like and if you are able to make a small donation, that would be gratefully received.

## 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 link emailed from Premier.

**Monday:** Badminton / Table Tennis / Racket Sports <a href="https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938500/">https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938500/</a>

**Tuesday:** Fencing <a href="https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938501/">https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938501/</a> <a href="https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938502/">https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938501/</a>

**Thursday:** Gymnastics <a href="https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-028504/">https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-028504/</a>

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**Friday:** Dodgeball <a href="https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938505/">https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938505/</a>

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



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