



Barningham CEVC
Primary School

Newsletter



No.6 Autumn 2025

Black History Month Assembly

We are looking forward to **welcoming parents** to our Black History Month assembly that we are hosting at school on **Wednesday 22nd October at 9am**. This year we are focusing on amazing black women as the theme this year is Standing Firm in Power and Pride. Each class has been learning about the following people and are looking forward to sharing with you all that they have learnt:

Rabbits - Floella Benjamin Squirrels - Mary Seacole

Badgers - Kamala Harris Owls - Harriet Tubman

Children will be showcasing their work to parents as well so please do come along to enjoy our assembly!

Learning Council – Children in Need

The learning council at Barningham have chosen to challenge all children to 25 Acts of Kindness to raise money for Children in Need. This week the children came home with their sponsor forms so that they can start collecting sponsors to challenge them to complete these 25 acts of kindness before Children in Need day on Friday 14th November. There are lots of suggestions on the sheets sent home but the children have been great at coming up with their own ideas ! Children will also have the opportunity to dress in yellow or something spotty for the day and bring in a £1.

Friends Pumpkin Competition

A reminder that our pumpkin competition will take place on Thursday. Please bring your pumpkin designs and place in the Gazebo with your names and a £1 ready for judging.

SENDIASS for Parents

Attached to this newsletter is information about upcoming webinars run by SENDIASS – an agency to support families within additional needs including behaviours. There are upcoming sessions about managing big emotions and understanding behaviours. Please register for any sessions you'd like to attend online 😊

Our Core Value
for this half term is



**to be
ambitious**

Our Christian value
for this half term is

courage

**Wednesday 22nd
October**

Black History Month
Assembly at 9am
Parents Invited 😊

Thursday 23rd October

Friends Pumpkin
Competition &
Cornflake Cake
Competition

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



Spy Pups, Dogs & Cats Book Warning!

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pups series. Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content. The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

If your child has any Spy Dog, Spy Cat or Spy Pups books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site. It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link. We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult.

Dates for Autumn 1

These have been updated – changes are in red and have dates added for Friends events. Please see this link for updated dates: <https://www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Autumn-1-Key-Dates-for-Parents-1.pdf>

Our Friends need new volunteers!

The first event for this year is our popular **Pumpkin Carving competition**. Entries £1 each. Your child can bring their entries to school on the last day of this half term, **Thursday 23rd October**.

Mrs Chapman has kindly agreed to continue her **School Pudding Raffle** again this term. This half term the prize is a freshly baked **Cornflake Tart** which will be available to collect from school on Thursday 23rd October. **Tickets are £1 each** and available from the school office

Catch up Flu Vaccines

If your child missed their vaccination at school, we have scheduled a number of catch-up clinics around the UK which you can book onto by clicking this link:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics>

High School Application Forms for Year 6

We wanted to make parents aware that the deadline for applications for secondary school is Friday 31st October 2025.



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 : <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> and entering in your postcode and some basic information. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

A note from the governors

Congratulations to everyone involved in last week's positive assessment for the Inclusion Quality Mark. The glowing report really captures all the wonderful things that gives our children an inclusive school community, and noted that the children's behaviour was exemplary, and the staff have a personalised approach to supporting children. Last week, we also enjoyed the Harvest Festival service in church; the songs were so uplifting and we thank all families for their generous donations. As governors, we have a vacancy for a co-opted governor; if you are interested in this role or just want to know more about the work of the governing body, please get in touch with me at admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk.

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 helpful 😊

House Points

Attenborough	200	Einstein	300 (winner)	Nightingale	109
Attenborough	134	Einstein	165	Nightingale	167 (winner)
Total	979	Total	1140	Total	948

Attendance Race

Rabbits & Squirrels	97.8% (Winner)	Badgers	95.3%	Owls	90.7%
Rabbits & Squirrels	96.45%	Badgers	98.7%	Owls	95.2%
Total	16	Total	14	Total	8



Reading Challenge

We've changed the way we are doing the reading challenge. To make it fair with numbers, children will be competing in their house teams. For every child that reads, they earn one reader for their team. The winning team each week will win a point. The winning house at the end of half term will win a cosy afternoon in the hall watching a movie.

Attenborough	5 readers	Einstein	8 readers	Nightingale	5 readers
Attenborough	6 readers	Einstein	3 readers	Nightingale	6 readers
Total	1	Total	6	Total	2

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 <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938500/>

Tuesday: Fencing <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938501/>

Wednesday: Football <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938502/>

Thursday: Gymnastics <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938504/>

Friday: Dodgeball <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-938505/>

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>

@BCEVCPBadgers <https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpsquirrels>



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

Tapestry: This is for Reception & Nursery parents only.