

Newsletter



Our Core Value for this half term is



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Our Christian value for this half term is

generosity

No.11 Autumn 2025

Stay & Play for New Parents!

Parents who are considering our school for their child for Nursery or Reception next year are welcome to join us for our Christmas Themed Stay and Play on Tuesday 9th December at 9am.

Christmas Craft Morning

Parents are invited to join us in our annual Christmas Craft morning. This year, we are making decorations based on the theme of 'joy' to decorate the church ready for the village carol service and for our school church service. There will be two slots 9am – 9.50am and 10.10am – 11am to enable parents with siblings to visit both classrooms. Parents are welcome to stay for the whole session or attend one of these sessions. Come along and take part on Tuesday 16th December 9am – 11am.

The Learning Council will be selling tea / coffee during a midmorning break as well between 9.50am and 10.10am in the hall so please bring some loose change. Learning council are asking for donations of biscuits, mince pies or cakes that they can sell to raise money towards fun activities at school! Please bring these in for Monday 15th December so we have these ready for the next day.

Christingle & Church Service

Parents are invited to join us on Thursday 18th December at 9.15am for our annual church service & Christingle. All children will need to bring an orange to school on Wednesday 17th December so we can decorate these ready for Thursday. Any donations of cocktail sticks or dolly mixture sweets would be greatly appreciated — please drop these into the office so we can distribute these to pupils.

Christmas Cards

We have a postbox in the hall where children can post their Christmas cards through. We have some wonderful Owl Elves who deliver these to classes at lunchtime to ensure we all receive our cards. These can now start coming into school, read to be delivered!

Tuesday 9th December

Stay & Play Christmas
Themed for parents
joining our
Nursery/Reception
9am – 10am

Monday 15th December

Owls visiting Mrs Martineau for Biscuit Decorating (afternoon)



Christmas Dates & Upcoming Events

Please note key dates regarding Christmas events are now on our website <u>Autumn-2-Key-Dates-for-Parents-Updated-07.11.25.pdf.</u> For Christmas Church Service, Christmas Craft Morning, Nativity plays and more – please check this document.

Changes to the Nativity

As we have smaller classes this year in Rabbits and Squirrels, Badgers will be joining the Nativity this year! The nativity will therefore include children in Reception, Squirrels and Badgers. Nursery children will not take part in the Nativity but are inviting parents to come to their Christmas Sing-a-Long in the Rabbit class. Please check the Autumn 2 Key Dates for Parents.

Breakfast Club Update

From 1st December we will be sending out a link to book in advance for breakfast club for the following week. This is to help us plan fun and engaging events for children and it will help us to know how many children to expect each day. Emergency drop off will still be available if needed but booking in advance where possible will help us with planning.

We are also introducing special breakfast club events and having an idea of numbers will help us to plan. Starting with our **Christmas Themed Breakfast Clubs** there is fun available for all! If you would like to book a space on our **Hot Breakfast day @ Breakfast Club on Tuesday 9th December**, please book here: https://forms.office.com/e/RAnkvE9JQJ

Swimming for Year 3, 4 and 5

Swimming will take place at Stradbroke Pool starting Monday 12th January 2026 for all children in Year 3,4 and 5, with the last lesson taking place on Monday 23rd March. This is advance notice that your child will need to bring the following equipment, to school every Monday morning in a waterproof bag:

- One piece swimsuit (girls) or
- Trunks or close fitting swim shorts (boys)
- Swimming hat (these can be purchased online eg Amazon)
- Towel
- Bottle of water
- Swimming goggles (optional)

Earrings should be removed for the day as they are not permitted in the pool. It would be preferable for long hair to be tied up if possible.



A note from the governors

We look forward to sharing lots of activities with the children in the next few weeks with the nativity performance, a craft morning and church services. We hope all the children are having fun as we approach the festive season. As governors, we have **two vacancies**, a parent governor and a co-opted governor; if you are interested in school governance 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. Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors

After School Club – Changes for this half term

Premier have changed up their clubs this half term based on the children's interests at school.

Monday: Badminton & Table Tennis click here to book Tuesday: Arts and Crafts (New!) click here to book

Wednesday: Football click <u>here</u> to book Thursday: Gymnastics click <u>here</u> to book

Friday: Multi-Activity Fun Fridays! (New!) click here to book

PE Days this half term

- Nursery Wednesday and Friday
- Reception Wednesday and Friday
- Year 1 Wednesday and Friday
- Year 2 Wednesday and Thursday
- Year 3 Wednesday and Thursday
- Year 4 Wednesday and Thursday
- Year 5 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- Year 6 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

School Uniform @ Church

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	196	Einstein	267	Nightingale	307 (winner)
Total	1646	Total	1886	Total	1618



Attendance Race

Rabbits & Squirrels	98.5% (winner)	Badgers	95.3%	Owls	97.6%
Total	25	Total	23	Total	20

Reading Challenge

Attenborough	5 readers	Einstein	5 readers	Nightingale	5 readers
Total	1	Total	4	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.

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

@BCEVCPBadgers https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcpbadgers

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

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

Tapestry: This is for Reception & Nursery parents only.