



**Barningham CEVC
Primary School**

Newsletter



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Merry Christmas from Barningham

We have had the most incredible Christmas time at Barningham this year! The children have loved taking part in all the festivities and we especially loved our Nativity performance and Christmas Church Service. Thank you to all the parents for all their support with one of our busiest times of the year – from costumes to oranges, jumpers and lunches!

From all of us at Barningham, merry Christmas! We wish you and your families the most wonderful break and we will see you in the New Year on Tuesday 6th January 2026!

Welcome to our Student Teachers

In January, we welcome two student teachers who are completing their teacher training at our school.

Mrs Thompson will be joining Rabbit class four days a week from January until July supported by Miss Garland. She was a teaching assistant in our school last year (Miss Hopkinson) and she has now come back as part of her teacher training.

Miss Read will also be joining us in Squirrel class four days a week from January until March for supported by Mrs Allen.

We welcome both students to our school.

Brain Buddies for Owls

In January, the Mental Health Support Team will be leading a weekly session with Owl class on how we can look after our mental health.

This starts on Wednesday 7th January and will take place for 5 weeks in the afternoon.

Live Music Assembly and Music lessons

On Wednesday 7th January we will also be hosting a live music assembly to help children to become interested in learning a musical instrument. We currently have instrument lessons for flute, violin and trumpet/trombone run by the music service. Parents then pay for small group tuition weekly to take place at school.

Our Core Value
for this half term is



to give

Our Christian value
for this half term is

generosity

Monday 5th January

Staff Training Day
(school closed to
pupils)

**Wednesday 7th
January**

Live Music Assembly

Brain Buddies MHST
with Owls

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



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. 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. 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)

A note from the governors

What a busy and wonderful week we have had at the school, with the Owl class decorating biscuits at the Martineaus, the craft morning, the nativity, the Reception and Nursery sing a long, and the beautiful Christingle Service at the church yesterday. It is always such a joy to see the children enjoying these activities and making life long memories at these occasions. We thank all the staff for the extra efforts they put in to make these events successful, and wish all our families, children and staff a wonderful Christmas and all the best for 2026.

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

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	126	Einstein	136 (winner)	Nightingale	75
Total	2142	Total	2306	Total	2022



Attendance Race

Rabbits & Squirrels	96.1%	Badgers	100% (winner)	Owls	90.5%
Total	30	Total	34	Total	28

Reading Challenge

Attenborough	4 readers	Einstein	7 readers	Nightingale	6 readers
Total	2	Total	5	Total	3

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>

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

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

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Tapestry: This is for Reception & Nursery parents only.