



Newsletter

No.14 Autumn 2025

Fundraising for Play Equipment

We are so excited that next week we will be installing new play equipment in the playground and removing old, broken equipment from our gym trail. This is as a result of the fundraising from our Friends and the kind generosity from our parent community. The removal and installation is taking place next week so keep an eye out for the new play equipment!

Deadline for Reception 2026/27

The deadline to apply for a Reception place for 2026 - 2027 is Thursday 15th January. Even if your child attends our Nursery you will need to apply for a Reception place. To apply, click this link before the deadline! <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-primary-school-place-2026-2027>

Live Music Assembly and Music lessons

On Wednesday 7th January we hosted a live music assembly to help children to become interested in learning a musical instrument. The children really enjoyed this assembly and loved hearing our tutors playing a wide array of musical instruments.

Available instruments (pending tutor availability) and year groups:

Violin / Viola – Year 3 and above

Cello – Year 4 and above

Cornet / Trumpet / Trombone / French Horn – Year 4 and above

Flute / Clarinet / Oboe – Year 4 and above

Saxophone – Year 5 and above

Bassoon – Year 5 and above

Guitar – Year 4 and above

If you are interested in your child learning one of these instruments, please contact the school who can share your details with Suffolk Music Service. These are priced at £6.85 per lesson, plus a termly instrument hire fee – the first 5 weeks are free!

Our Core Value
for this half term is



Our Christian value
for this half term is

compassion

Monday 12th January

Swimming for Y3/4/5

New play equipment
being installed

Thursday 15th January

Deadline for Reception
Applications
2026-2027



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)

Welcome to our Student Teachers

This week we have welcomed two student teachers who are completing their teacher training at our school.

Mrs Thompson will be joining Rabbit class four days a week 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 has joined in Squirrel class four days a week until March supported by Mrs Allen. We welcome both students to our school.

New After School Club for Spring Term

Click on the links below to book a space at one of our after school club sessions this half term!

Monday – Dodgeball - <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-945267/>

Tuesday – Football - <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-945268/>

Wednesday – Archery - <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-945269/>

Thursday – Dance - <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-945270/>

Friday – Multi-Activity - <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-945271/>

Themed Breakfast Club Sessions

Please see attached our themed breakfast club sessions for this half term. Look what we have coming up! If you want to sign up for any of these, the booking link is sent out with the school dinner link every Wednesday and Sunday.

Wednesday 14th January – Winter Warmer

Friday 16th January – Pastry Breakfast!

Monday 19th January – Origami Morning



Spring 1 Dates for Parents

These are attached to this newsletter but can also be found by clicking here:

<https://www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Spring-1-Key-Dates-for-Parents.pdf>

A note from the governors

Happy New Year everyone, we hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break filled with many memories to treasure. We started the new term with a blanket of snow and all the fun that it brings for the children. As we look forward to hearing enthusiastic updates from the children as they learn their new for topics this term, we wish you all the very 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	143	Einstein	151 (winner)	Nightingale	123
Total	2285	Total	2457	Total	2145

Attendance Race

Winners revealed last term - This term will start next week

Rabbits & Squirrels		Badgers		Owls	
Total		Total		Total	

Reading Challenge

Winners revealed last term - This term will start next week

Attenborough		Einstein		Nightingale	
Total		Total		Total	



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.

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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>

@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.