



Barningham CEVC
Primary School

Newsletter



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Harvest 2026

A huge well done to all of our children for such a beautiful Harvest Service at St Andrew's Church this week.

There was some truly lovely singing from children across the school, and I was especially proud of our Faith Council, who confidently led us in a wonderful poem and prayers.

A big thank you to Reverend Cathy for leading such a lovely service and giving us the opportunity to come together as a community, reflect on all that we have to be thankful for, and celebrate the spirit of Harvest.

It was also a wonderful opportunity for us to demonstrate our school value 'to give'. Thank you to all of our families for your generous donations to the local food bank. Your kindness will make a real difference to people in our local community.

This was my first Harvest Service with Barningham, and it was a real joy to be part of such a special occasion. I felt incredibly proud of our children and the way they represented our school with such enthusiasm, kindness and confidence.

Well done, Barningham!

Mrs Scott
Headteacher

Friends of Barningham

We are inviting parents and carers who would like to get involved with our **Friends of Barningham** group to join us for an informal meeting on **Thursday 15th October in the Badger Classroom**. Refreshments will be provided, and it will be a great opportunity to find out more, share ideas and help shape the group. Everyone is very welcome, we would love to see you there!

Our Core Value
for this half term is



to be
ambitious

Our Christian value
for this half term is

Courage

**Thursday 15th
October**
Flu Vaccinations

**Monday 28th
September**
Mock Phonics screen for
year 1.

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



Items from Home

We would like to thank you all for supporting our school. This week we have only had a few items come in from home. These will be at the office for collection. Items from home include toys, fidgets, stationery, pencil cases or other personal belongings.

We have found that items from home can sometimes become a distraction to learning, particularly when items are lost, broken or another child touches or wants to use them. We have a good supply of stationery in school, so there is no need for children to bring their own pens, pencils, pencil cases or other equipment.

We fully recognise that some children benefit from additional sensory support. Where a child's EHCP or **individual learning plan** identifies a need for sensory support or the use of a 'fidget' item, we will ensure that appropriate resources are provided in school.

There may also be occasions when class teachers invite children to bring in a specific item from home to support their learning or as part of a special celebration. We will always let you know in advance when this is the case.

If these items are brought into school, they will be safely stored in the school office and can be collected by parents/carers.

Thank you for your support in helping us to create a calm, focused and happy environment where all children can learn and thrive.

Home Learning

Barningham Primary School Reading Challenge

Make sure you read with and to your child as much as possible. This really makes a difference to their progress and enjoyment with reading.

Timestable Rockstar!

This week there was a great number of children who achieved the Timestable Rockstar Challenge! Keep it up. We will hopefully have lots more next week!



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 2026. Both Ixworth and Thurston are holding open days in the coming weeks for parents:

September: Ixworth Open Evening for Y6 pupils Timing TBC

Thursday 8th October: Thurston Open Evening for Y6 pupils 5.30–8.00pm

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.

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:

<https://forms.office.com/e/LJjvaMEBUj> Please can all parents complete this by Friday 11th September.

Pre-Loved Uniform

If you have any uniform your children have outgrown (aged 3-7) and you no longer need it we would be grateful for a donation in school for our Rabbit Class children. Please bring donations to our office or pass on to Miss Garland or Mrs Morris.

Outdoor Learning Event

This year, we are going to develop our curriculum further by providing the children with a range of rich, meaningful and memorable learning experiences. Our first event will be an **Outdoor Learning Day** on **Friday 16th October**, and we would love members of our school community to get involved.

Do you have a skill, hobby or area of expertise that you could share with the children? Perhaps you enjoy working with wood, gardening, making bird feeders, building or creating things? We would love to hear from you! If you would be interested in getting involved, please contact the school office at: admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk



Prospective Reception & Nursery 2026 Stay and Play

If your child was born between 1 September 2022 – 31 August 2023 they will be ready to join their school from September 2027!

Will you be looking for a school place for your child to join Reception in September 2027? 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 Thursday 8th October 2026 from 1.30pm to 3pm and Friday 9th October 2026 from 1.30pm to 3pm. Thursday 5th November 1:30-3pm
Monday 15th November 9-9:45am If you are unable to attend, please call the school office to book a tour at a date that is convenient to you.

Suffolk SENDIASS Support for Parents

Suffolk SENDIASS (Special Educational Needs and Disability Information Advice and Support Service) is a confidential and impartial information, advice and support service on issues related to Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND). <https://suffolksendiass.co.uk/training/parent-and-carer-information-sessions/>

House Points

Attenborough	51	Einstein	47	Nightingale	64 (Winner)
Total	131	Total	141	Total	169

Attendance Race

Rabbits	87.9%	Squirrels	97.4%	Owls	98.7% (Winner)
Total	0	Total	1	Total	2



Reading Challenge

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	8 readers	Einstein	10 readers	Nightingale	3 readers
Total	12	Total	17	Total	5

Remember to read a little every day and sign the reading records.

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 Arbor 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: Gymnastics <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-957086/>

Tuesday: Football <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-957089/>

Wednesday: Cricket <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-957090/>

Thursday: Table Tennis <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-957093/>

Friday: Multi-Activity <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-957094/>

Website & Tapestry

You can keep 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

Tapestry: This is for Reception & Nursery parents only.