



Barningham CEVC
Primary School

Newsletter



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Growing our Curriculum through Creativity and Outdoor Learning

On Friday 16th October, we will be enjoying a **whole day of outdoor learning!** We have been working hard to plan a range of exciting, purposeful and meaningful experiences that will allow our children to explore, discover and learn beyond the classroom. Throughout the day, the children will have the opportunity to:

- Experience Forest School and develop their outdoor skills.
- Visit **St Andrew's Church** to explore the biodiversity of the churchyard and discover the wildlife around us.
- Go on an **autumn walk**, identifying trees, surveying wildlife and creating beautiful autumn wreaths.
- Develop **teamwork and problem-solving skills** through an orienteering session.
- Discover the **inspiring people behind our house names** – Sir David Attenborough, Florence Nightingale and Albert Einstein – and learn about their remarkable contributions to the world.

We are looking forward to a wonderful day of curiosity, creativity, teamwork and discovery, making the most of the natural world around us!

What should your child wear and bring?

We will be outdoors for the majority of the day, whatever the weather, so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately and comfortably. Children should come to school dressed in PE kit, including:

- Jogging bottoms or other comfortable outdoor trousers.
- Comfortable, shoes suitable for walking and outdoor activities.
- A waterproof coat.
- Long hair tied back.
- A clearly named water bottle.

Thank you for your support. We can't wait to share this special day of outdoor learning with the children!

Mrs Scott
Headteacher

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

Friday 16th October
Outdoor Learning Day

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



U11 Tag Rugby Festival at Stowmarket Rugby Club

On Tuesday 6th October we took a team of Year 5 and 6 children across to Stowmarket Rugby Club to compete in an U11 Tag Rugby Festival organised by the Gipping Valley and Thurston School Sports Partnership. The boys and girls who were part of that team were an absolute credit to the school and we were so proud of the how they performed. They played 4 games and came away undefeated, having drawn two and won two of the games. Well done James Lipsett, Ella-Mae Ruck, Teagan Al-Muhiemin, Phoebe Kurtz, William Shelley, Eliza Sinclair and Rosie Page – you were all incredible. Thank you to the parents for taking them across to Stowmarket and staying to support the team. Details, for those who have signed up to the U11 Football Festival in November, will be out shortly. Hopefully, we can have just as much success there.

Uniform

As the weather has started to change, we have noticed lots of the children have been misplacing their jumpers and fleeces. Class teachers have been reminding the children to be responsible for their items and to keep them on their pegs. Can you please check all school uniform items to make sure that they are named. This will support us to make sure that your child has the correct uniform at the end of the day.

Pantomime

We are delighted to share that we have booked a whole-school trip to the Theatre Royal to enjoy the pantomime *Dick Whittington* on Friday 27th November! We are really looking forward to sharing this special experience together as a school, creating wonderful memories and enjoying the magic of live theatre. A letter with further details will be sent home on Monday. Please note that this will be a longer school day than usual, as the children will be returning to school later than normal. We can't wait for this exciting festive adventure!

A note from the Governors:

There is a lot happening at the school over next two weeks of school before the half term break and we particularly look forward to the school's first Outdoor Learning Day next Friday; a great opportunity for the children to be out of the classroom, we hope they have lots of fun.

As governors, we have three vacancies, two for parent governor and one for 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"



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. We have noticed and improvement in this. Keep it up!

Timetable Rockstar!

This week there was drop in the number of children doing this. Make sure your child has a go as often as they can. It really helps with your child's maths learning. 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.

Free School Meals

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.

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 **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	73 (Winner)	Einstein	58	Nightingale	50
Total	264	Total	259	Total	260

Attendance Race

Rabbits	90.4%	Squirrels	97.4%	Owls	99.3% (Winner)
Total	1	Total	1	Total	3

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	11 readers	Einstein	14 readers	Nightingale	12 readers
Total	26	Total	36	Total	20

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

Best Start in Life

The government are prioritising early years as the best way of supporting young people and their families, paying particular attention to the ages 0-2 years old. They've developed a website for parents to access: www.beststartinlife.gov.uk which gives advice and support through their parent hub. You can read The Prime Minister's letter to parents and carers on [here](#).



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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.

Instagram

https://www.instagram.com/barningham_cevc_primary/