



BARNINGHAM CEVC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Our focus for Collective Worship this half term is **Service**.

Welcome to the start of 2021! A New Year is always a time for reflecting; new beginnings, fresh starts and setting goals and achievements for the New Year. However, with the recent government announcements around the rise in COVID-19 rates I know that many parents, children and staff are feeling anxious about what the New Year will bring. I can confirm that currently, **Barningham CEVCP is open to all pupils**. We are continuing to follow the guidelines closely and regularly review our risk assessment to ensure we are as safe as possible during this difficult time. At the moment, we are open but if anything changes in the coming weeks, I will inform parents as soon as possible. Please do contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Returning back to school – advice from Suffolk County Council

The Government has said it is vital that children attend school. School attendance became compulsory again from the beginning of September. However, we understand that many parents will feel anxious about their children attending school at this time. If this is the case, we would urge you to speak to your school's headteacher to discuss it. In general, where schools are open for your child, attendance is compulsory. However, we understand parents' anxiety and in general do not expect sanctions for non-attendance in the current circumstances.

For more information, please see <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/back-to-school/>

House Points:

Blue 829

Yellow 833

Red 867



Achievement Awards for 04.01.21:

Rabbits – For his regal acting in the class nativity

Squirrels – For her great performance in the Christmas performance

Badgers – For deepening the moment in English by making the sentences her own

Owls – For always working hard in lessons, giving her best and having a great attitude for learning.



Rabbits are going to be **explorers** this half term – they will be focusing on the Polar Regions.



Squirrel Class topic for this half term is **Around the World** with a focus on China.



Badger class will be learning all about the **Mayans** including their number system and way of life.



Owls will be learning all about the **Ancient Egyptians** this half term.



Breakfast Club, which opens at 7.45 every morning and costs just £4 per session, **payable when you drop off** please. Our theme this half term is Spring Growth.



After School Club is open for five nights a week until 4:30 and it is £4 a session. We provide a snack, games and friendship – all from the safe distance of our class bubbles - and I'd love to see you there! Please book in advance through the school office.



Key Dates for your diary:

Monday 04 January 2021: Children back in school

Monday 15 February: Half term

Friday 26 March: Last day of school

Wednesday 10 March – Friday 12 March – Owl class Kingswood Outdoor Learning

Monday 12 April: Children back in school



A note from the Governors: Happy New Year to you all, we hope that you have had a good Christmas break and are keeping well. Today as we return to school, Miss Hunter joins us as our new Head Teacher

and Miss Cockle joins us as our interim Teacher for Owl Class. Please join us in welcoming both ladies to our school as they settle into their new roles in these very challenging times.
For further information on the role of the Governors please contact barninghamgovernors+julie@gmail.com
Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors

Why not look on our **school website** (www.barningham.suffolk.sch.uk) for more information, newsletters, policies and some fantastic photos? We regularly post news on the blog page and class teachers will let you know what is happening in school.

Stephany Hunter
Head Teacher

To learn, aspire, believe and hope through our Christian faith.

Barningham CEVC Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Miss Hunter, the Alternate Designated Person is Mrs Pipe and the Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding is Rev Cathy Bladen. The Online Safety Lead is Mrs Smithson and the Governor with Responsibility for Online Safety is Rev Cathy Bladen.



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