



Barningham CEVC
Primary School

Newsletter



No.10 Autumn 2024

Christmas Craft Morning

Parents are invited to join us in our annual Christmas Craft morning where we will be taking part in festive activities celebrating all things Christmas. This year, we are making stars to decorate the church ready for the village carol service and for our school church service. There will be two slots 9am – 10am and 10.15am – 11am to enable parents with siblings to visit both classrooms. Parents are welcome to stay for the whole session or attend one of these sessions. We will be providing tea / coffee during a mid-morning break as well between 10am and 10.15am in the hall. So come along and take part on **Friday 13th December 9am - 11am.**

Christingle & Church Service

Parents are invited to join us on **Thursday 19th December** at 9.15am for our annual church service & Christingle. **All children will need to bring an orange to school on Wednesday 18th December so we can decorate these ready for Thursday. Any donations of cocktail sticks or dolly mixture sweets would be greatly appreciated** – please drop these into the office so we can distribute these to pupils.

Christmas Cards

We have a postbox in the hall where children can post their Christmas cards through. We have some wonderful Owl Elves who deliver these to classes at lunchtime to ensure we all receive our cards.

Christmas Dates

Please note key dates regarding Christmas events are at the end of this newsletter. We have upcoming dates for Christmas Church Service, Christmas Craft Morning, Nativity plays and more. Please ensure you save these dates in your diaries as we look forward to hosting families in our festive activities ☺

Our Core Value
for this half term is



to give

Our Christian value
for this half term is

generosity

**Friday 13th December
2024**

Christmas Craft
Morning 9am – 11am

**Monday 16th
December 2024**

Owls visiting the
Martineaus for
Christmas Biscuit
Decorating

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



Owl Class Visit to the Martineaus

All pupils in Owl class will be taking part in our traditional biscuit decorating at the Martineaus on Monday 16th December in the afternoon. They will also take part in some games and activities. We are looking forward to this event 😊

Nursery Places for January or April 2025

We have had lots of interest in our Nursery places at Barningham and we are happy to see places being taken by children who have turned 3. As we begin to consider staffing arrangements for January 2025, we ideally need to know if any of our families are hoping to have a Nursery space at some point this year. We would like to ensure we serve our current community as a priority and we don't want to turn any of our families away because we don't have space. If you are interested in a Nursery place for your child, please contact the school and we can book in a tour or conversation with Miss Garland to discuss further.

Thank you to the Friends of Barningham

We are so grateful to the Friends for all their hard work at organising the Christmas Fayre. It was a huge success and great fun was had by all. The Friends managed to raise over £1000 for the school which will go towards replacing the outdoor gym trail and replacing the in class libraries over the next few years. Thank you so much to all the families who supported this event 😊

Reception Places September 2025-2026

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, **you must apply for a full-time Reception Year school place by 15 January 2025**. Even if your child attends our Nursery, parents still need to apply separately for a Reception place ready for September 2025 start. Parents **must** make an application even if your child already has a place in a nursery class, pre-school or family hub. To apply for a place or for more information click here: www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions. Information is also available from The Admissions Team on 0345 600 0981

Parent Information Guide - Snapchat

This week's parent guide is all about Snapchat – a messaging app which allows users to send images and videos and texts to others. It's best known feature is that anything sent 'disappears' within 24 hours after it's been sent. However, users are known to take screenshots or use another device to obtain a photo of their screen. Please see the guide to find out more information attached to this newsletter.



Swimming for Year 3, 4 and 5

In January, Year 3, 4 and 5 will be having weekly swimming lessons in line with National Curriculum expectations. They will be swimming on Monday afternoons and will travel by coach to Stradbroke Swimming Pool from Monday 13th January. Additional information will be shared with parents next week.

Attendance and Absence

As we enter the winter months, it is inevitable that some pupils may become unwell and are unable to attend school. A reminder to parents to **call in for each day of sickness** to speak with a member of staff so that this can be recorded on our sickness absence record.

A note from the governors

"We hope the children are enjoying their classes as we approach the end of this term; it is so lovely walking into school and hearing the younger children rehearsing for next week's nativity. We are looking forward to the craft morning with the children later this week, and the church service next week; please do come along to these if you are able to. As governors, we have a vacancy for a Co-opted Governor, if you are interested in this position, or you would like to know more about the role of the governors in our school, please contact either myself or Headteacher Miss Hunter. Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors. Email: admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk"

Key Dates for your diary

Friday 13th December: Christmas Craft Morning (parents invited to attend) 9am – 11am

Monday 16th December: Owl class visiting Martineaus for biscuit decorating and games

Tuesday 17th December: Rabbit & Squirrel Nativity performance to parents with young siblings 9.15

Tuesday 17th December: Christmas Carol Service @ St Andrew's Church at 7pm

Wednesday 18th December: Rabbit & Squirrel Nativity performance to parents at 9.15

Wednesday 18th December: All children to bring an orange to school for Christingle. Donations of dolly mixture and cocktail sticks please 😊

Thursday 19th December: Christmas Service & Christingle at St Andrew's Church 9.15am

Thursday 19th December: Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

Friday 20th December: Last day of Autumn term

Monday 6th January: Staff Training Day – School Closed to Pupils

Tuesday 7th January: First Day back for Spring Term

Wednesday 15th January: Deadline for applications for Reception 2025



House Points

Points this week:

Nightingale House: 224

Attenborough House: 173

Einstein House: 199

Total Points so far

Nightingale House: 2,159

Attenborough House: 1805

Einstein House: 2333

Attendance Race

This Week:

1st Place: Badger Class

2nd Place: Rabbit & Squirrel Class

3rd Place: Owl Class

Total points so far this half term:

Rabbits & Squirrels: 27 points

Badgers: 28 points

Owls: 17 points

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>

@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.