

Newsletter



Our Core Value for this half term is



to be ambitious

Our Christian value for this half term is

perseverance

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Staffing Changes For Summer Term

As outlined in the parent letter from our Chair of Governors sent on Friday 28th February, there will be some changes to the leadership of the school from April 2025. I will be Interim Executive Headteacher over Barningham CEVC & another school near Ipswich called Bramford CEVC. This will involve me working for three days a week at Bramford CEVC and 2 days a week here. We are currently recruiting internally for an Interim Head of School who will lead the day-to-day running of the school in my absence. I have every confidence in all the staff at Barningham and believe this is a great opportunity for our school.

Class of the Week (Bury Free Press)

Badger class were nominated and will be published as class of the week in the Bury Free Press this week, published today! Remember to pick up your copy of the newspaper ©

Breakfast Club Lead Vacancy from Sept

Miss Hopkinson, who has been running breakfast club over the last few years and has been an excellent teaching assistant in Owl class, will be leaving in July to pursue her career in becoming a teacher! She has been successfully accepted to being her teacher training from September. Therefore, we will have a vacancy for a breakfast club leader from September. If you may be interested in this role for 5 days or part time, please contact the school.

Support for the Friends

I'm sure you'd agree that the events the Friends organise are great fun for our children as well as a great fundraiser for our school! However, we are struggling at the moment for volunteers who are able to support events like the afternoon teas, discos and summer fayres! Please, if you are able to donate some of your time to these events, it would make the world of difference! We would hate to start cancelling events because we can't staff them with volunteers.

Friday 21st March

Red Nose Day (wear something red and bring in £1)

Parents Evening

Mon 24th /Wed 26th:
Badgers

Wed 26th /Thu 27th: Squirrels

Wed 26th: Year 5

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the school.

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



Parents' Evening

We will be hosting parents' evening this half term as a mid way point so parents can meet with their child's class teacher and find out how they are getting on with their learning.

Year 6 with Mr Smith – This happened yesterday – if you missed your appointment, please contact the school to arrange a time

Year 5 with Mr Smith – Wednesday 26th March Year 3/4 with Miss Cartwright – Mon 24th/Wed 26th March Year 1/2 with Mr Rolfe – Wednesday 26th March / Thu 27th March

Careers Week

A massive thank you to all the parents who came in to talk about their jobs as part of careers week. The children loved finding out about a variety of jobs on offer and how they can be ambitious for their futures. We look forward to hosting this again next year.

World Book Day

What an incredible display of costumes yesterday! The children had a wonderful day celebrating the joy of books and wearing the costumes of their favourite characters. We were so impressed by all of the outfits and wanted to thank parents for the time and effort in putting these together. The children all have their book tokens to spend and some took some books home yesterday from the second hand bookshop for a £1. If you haven't donated your £1 yet, please send these through to the office.

Instrument Tuition

Thank you to the parents who have shared their interest in instrument tuition – we have now set these up with Suffolk Music Service and they started this week. We have had some parents contact since this to sign their child up but currently we are full for these sessions. We have placed families who have contacted us onto waiting lists for when spaces come up in the future.

Big Spring Sing - Bury Cathedral

On Tuesday 1st April, the faith council will be visiting Bury Cathedral to take part in the Big Spring Sing – a Christian Aid event to raise awareness of injustice and to come together as multiple schools to sing and raise money for Christian Aid. This year, they have space for additional pupils and we have chosen to bring Year 5 with us as well to experience a live band and take part in the singing and service. Each year we will bring Year 5 so that the whole school has the opportunity to visit.



Changes to Nursery Payments & Nursery Spaces

From Easter, as outlined in the parent letter sent on the 4th February, we will be taking advance payments for our Nursery spaces. This is to enable the school to plan staffing and catering arrangements based on the number of pupils attending each day. We still have some spaces in our Nursery and have some availability for 15 and 30 hour placements. You can find out if you are eligible by clicking here: https://www.gov.uk/check-eligible-free-childcare-if-youre-working . If you are considering a placement for after Easter, please contact the school to reserve these places.

School Lunch Price Increase

From April 2025, the cost for a school lunch will increase to £2.80. Our school meals are provided by Vertas. They have notified us that this increase is due to inflation and increased cost of goods.

Wellbeing for School Parents

'Inourplace' is an online platform developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships. As part of Suffolk County Council's sponsorship of inourplace, all of the courses and content are free to Suffolk parents. https://inourplace.co.uk/

A note from the governors

What a great day we had this week for World Book Day, some wonderful characters turned up at school and the children's enthusiasm was a joy to experience. We also had some interesting presentations from parents for Careers Week; thank you to everyone involved for inspiring our children. Last week I wrote to all parents and carers to explain a temporary change in leadership at the school for the summer term. We will be appointing a Head of School this term and further details will be circulated in due course. If you have any questions about this temporary arrangement, please do contact me. As governors, we have a vacancy for a Co-opted governor. If you are interested in this role or would like to know more about the work of the governing body, please contact me at admin@barningham.suffolk.sch.uk Julie Surridge, Chair of Governors"

Key Dates for your diary

Monday 10th March – Friday 14th March: Year 1-Year 5 Assessment Week

Friday 21st March: Red Nose Day

Monday 24th March: Parents' Evening for Badgers (1)

Wednesday 26th March: Parents' Evening for Year 5, Badgers (2) and Squirrels (1)



Thursday 27th March: Parents' Evening for Squirrels (2)

Friday 28th March: Friends Afternoon Tea

Monday 31st March: Badger Class Performance to parents with younger siblings

Tuesday 1st April: Faith Council & Year 5 visit Bury Cathedral for Big Sing

Tuesday 1st April: Easter Egg Hunt @ the Martineaus

Wednesday 2nd April: Easter Church Service @ St Andrews at 9.15am

Thursday 3rd April: Badger Class Performance to parents only **Friday 4th April**: Easter Craft Afternoon (Parents invited) **Monday 7th April**: School lunch cost increases to £2.80

House Points

Points this week:

Nightingale House: 134 Attenborough House: 140 Einstein House: 153

Total Points so far

Nightingale House: 3516 Attenborough House: 3016 Einstein House: 3628

Attendance Race

This Week:

1st Place: Badger Class 2nd Place: Owl Class 3rd Place: Rabbit & Squirrel Class

Total points so far this term:

Rabbits & Squirrels: 8 points Badgers: 20 points Owls: 14 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 links below

Mondays - Dodgeball

https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922196/

Tuesdays – Table Tennis

https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922197/

Wednesdays - Football 1

https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922198/

Thursdays - Football 2

https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922199/



Fridays - Kurling

https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/15832-922200/

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.