

WE INSPIRE, CHERISH AND BELIEVE
IN EACH PERSON THAT THEY MIGHT FLOURISH
AND FULFIL THEIR POTENTIAL

Spreading Christmas Cheer with Joyful Singing



On Wednesday, we took two groups of children from Year 4,5 & 6 to sing some Christmas songs to residents at Marham Park Care Home, Bury St Edmunds and Mildenhall Lodge Care Home.

They were incredible and we were so proud of them as they shared their Christmas Joy. We were able to give the residents Christmas Cards that the children have been busy making and also leave some stars to decorate their homes from our Advent Project.

Thank you for allowing us to visit you Marham and Mildenhall, we had a wonderful time. Our grateful thanks too to Exning Primary School for lending us their minibus for the day.

Fearfully & Wonderfully Made Day - Blindness & Guide Dogs



On Monday, we had another Fearfully and Wonderfully Made Collective Worship. We learned all about blindness and guide dogs and were privileged to receive a visit from Rev. Steph and her Guide Dog called Coco. We all learned lots and asked some really great questions. Thank you for visiting Barnham School Coco (and Rev. Steph)

Christmas shopping at Tesco - vote for Barnham Primary School

If you are shopping in Tesco Thetford, both the big store and Tesco Express, please pop your blue voting token in the blue box! Please let your friends and family know!

We are hoping get our project: Eat, Play and Thrive on the ground!

This will allow us to have a little lunchbox top up station for the days when the banana has been squished or the sandwich has fallen on the floor! We are also looking to extend the resources for children to play with outside at playtimes and lunchtimes!



The Living Nativity & Carol Service



We hope you enjoyed our living nativity on the way into church today!
Well done to all all of the children who took part - you were amazing!
An enormous 'Thank You' to Mal for bringing his donkeys, Jack and Snowdrop, to complete our loving nativity scene!



Thank you to Mary (Evelyn) for bringing Baby Jesus, her little brother Ernest. and making our live Nativity complete!

Thank you for joining us for our Carol service.
We are incredibly proud of all the children who sang so joyfully ,read so clearly and performed so happily!



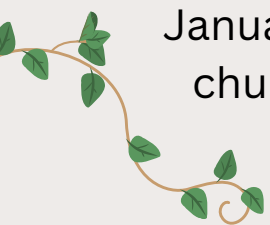
Thank you for our Christmas T-Shirts



Thank you so much Thetford Garden Centre for our wonderful Christmas T-shirts! The children all looked amazing wearing them at our Carol Service before taking them home!

Epiphany - Kings Day

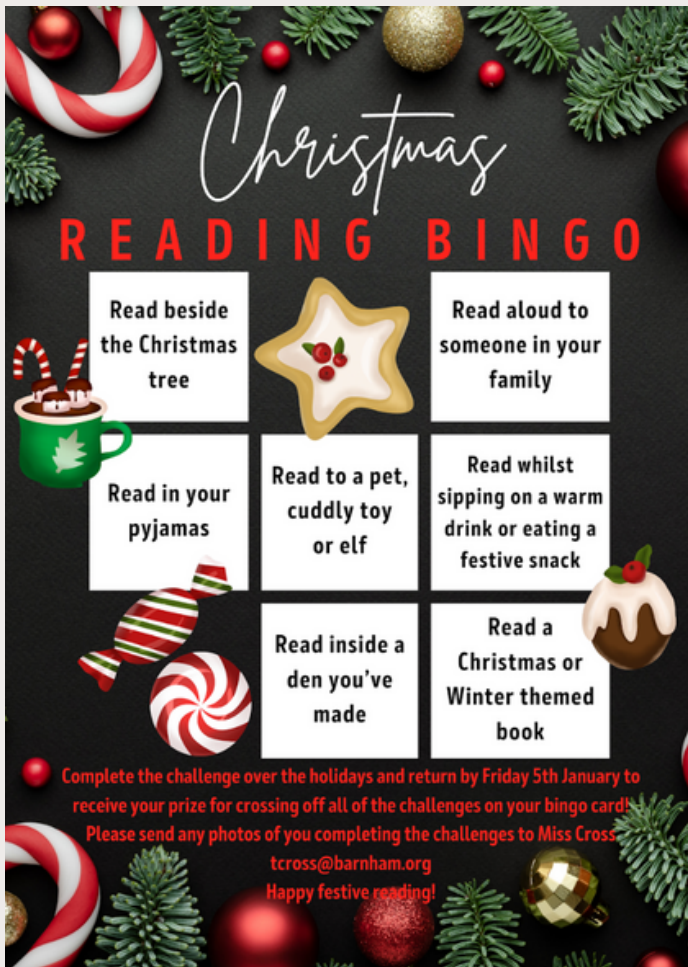
We'd really love it if all the children could make a crown over the Christmas Holidays and bring it to school to wear as part of our Epiphany Celebrations on Friday 5th January 2023. On this day, we will parade to church for a short service at 2pm if you'd like to join us.





Christmas Reading News

Thank you to everyone who joined us for a brilliant afternoon of cosy Christmas stories! Both children and staff had a great time sharing stories and activities with you to celebrate our favourite festive books.

Don't forget to keep reading over Christmas with our Christmas Reading Bingo challenges.



Christmas
READING BINGO

Read beside the Christmas tree		Read aloud to someone in your family
Read in your pyjamas	Read to a pet, cuddly toy or elf	Read whilst sipping on a warm drink or eating a festive snack
Read inside a den you've made		Read a Christmas or Winter themed book

Complete the challenge over the holidays and return by Friday 5th January to receive your prize for crossing off all of the challenges on your bingo card!
Please send any photos of you completing the challenges to Miss Cross tcross@barnham.org
Happy festive reading!



Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Scholastic Book Fair last week! It was an amazing turn out and we are very grateful because your spending led to us having £270 to spend on books for our school! We took away some fantastic books and we hope you did too.



Hedgehogs Plant Christmas Trees



On Monday, Hedgehog Class set off on the tractor and trailer to Euston Estate to carry out an important job!

Each child planted a Norwegian Spruce sapling! Each year our youngest children plant a Norwegian Spruce sapling. As the children grow and journey through school, their trees grow too! Maybe in 6 years time one of these trees could be the tree in our school hall!

Girls Football Club with Susie Bratby Monday's After School

With Mary Earps winning Sports Personality of The Year this week, I wonder if we have any future award-winning women footballers in Barnham School?

Susie Bratby who often joins us for Collective Worship will be leading a girls' football club for KS2 girls from January.

Have you signed up yet?



There are limited places left so please do sign up ASAP so you don't miss out!



Advent Update

Stars

Thank you so much for all the hand crafted stars- we recieved way over 100 which was our target. These were shared with the care homes, the church and school.

MAF Advent Adventure

This continues right up until Christmas Eve. Please do encourage your child to login and keep following the MAF Advent Adventure over the holidays. We will continue to learn more about MAF over the coming months as our school partnership with them continues.



Here's the website: gb.mafadvent.org

Login - barnham

Password - password

Reverse Advent Calendar

A massive thank you to every single one of you for your donations during advent. These have been kindly received by Thetford Foodbank and will make such a difference this Christmas.

Just look at all that was donated:



Our Value is Responsibility

Our value for this half term is RESPONSIBILITY . This week we are thinking about this BIG QUESTION:

Has anybody ever caused problems for you by being irresponsible? What happened? What do you wish that person understood about what happened?

Perhaps this will give you something to discuss at the dinner table.

This was our last week of focusing on the value of Responsibility.

After the holidays, our next focus value will be Truth



Our Responsibility Bible Verse - Matthew 5 v 14-16:

You are the light of the world – like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.



Lunch Menu

Thursday 4th January	Friday 5th January
Fish and Chips with Beans or Peas	Sausage with herby potatoes with Beans or Veg
Ice Cream Roll	Fruit Crumble and Custard

Diary Dates

Wednesday 3rd January - PD Day

Thursday 4th January - Children return to school

Friday 5th January - Epiphany Celebrations in school and a service at St Gregory's Church at 2pm

OUR SCHOOL BIBLE VERSES:

"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
 whose confidence is in him.
 They will be like a tree planted by the water
 that sends out its roots by the stream.
 It does not fear when heat comes;
 its leaves are always green.
 It has no worries in a year of drought
 and never fails to bear fruit."
 Jeremiah 17:7-8

Jesus said 'I am the vine; you
 are the branches.
 Those who abide in my and I in
 them, will bear much fruit.'
 John 15:5

