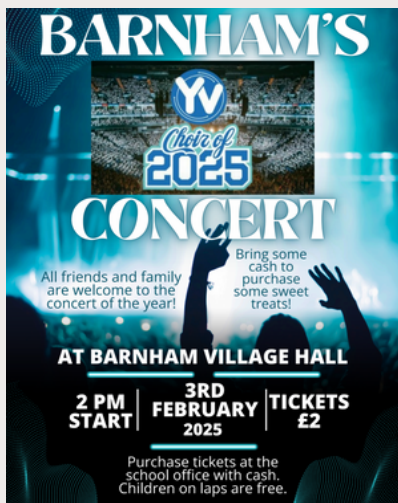


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AND FULFIL THEIR POTENTIAL

Young Voices @ The O2 Arena

WOW - what an opportunity for our children from Year 4 - Year 6- singing at The O2 on Thursday evening. They were part of a choir of 7984 children which was simply sensational! We were so proud of each and everyone of them- it was amazing!

Thank you to the families who travelled to London to support the event, we appreciated you cheering us on and even lining the pathway as we left the arena, we felt like celebrities! This was an unforgettable experience that we are so grateful to have shared together.



Don't worry if you missed out on the O2 Experience because we are bringing the concert of the year to Barnham Village Hall on Monday 3rd February! The children are now used to performing to a large audience so we are keen to fill the village hall- do invite your friends, family, neighbours - anyone you like! We can't wait to showcase our singing and dancing to you! This is not just open to Year 4, 5 and 6 families but an invite to EVERYONE!

Young Voices Continued...



News from Fox Class



In our DT lesson today, the children in Fox Class worked brilliantly in teams to produce some fabulous pizzas. We made the base using flour, water and yogurt and topped them off with tomato and grated cheese. The class reviews were very positive and even those of us who prefer a Dominos still greatly enjoyed making our own from basic ingredients. Lots of the children; took the recipes away to try at home so be prepared for a treat! Forza Fox Class!

Introducing A New Teaching Assistant

We have a fabulous new teaching assistant who is working predominantly in Year 6, have a read of her one page profile and please give her a warm welcome to the Barnham Family when you see her.

Hello my name is Stacey Heartford and I am a Teaching Assistant working at Barnham CEVC Primary School



What does my job involve?

I've joined the amazing year 6 team, to give support to Mrs Kennedy, Mrs Joubert and all the children in Otter Class during their final year at Barnham. I have the very rewarding job of helping children who need a little extra support along their year 6 journey, guiding them through the learning they find tricky. I just **love** helping the children celebrate the successes they have every day!



What do people like and admire about me?

People tell me am kind and patient and have a knack of always looking for the positive in a situation. Apparently, I've always got a smile for everyone which means I have a "very happy aura". (Thanks to my daughter for that last description!)

What is important to me?

Being with my family is everything to me.

We've got 2 amazing children, aged 12 and 9, as well as 2 scruffy dogs called Wilfred and Tess and a noisy cat called Kitkat.



How do I like to be supported?

It's really important to me that I support everyone in the right way, both teachers and children alike. I really do appreciate it when people tell me when I'm not getting things quite right so I can improve the way I work and support them in the future.



Because my husband is in the RAF we've lived in some awesome places, and had 8 homes in 3 countries, England Scotland and Sunny Cyprus. This means we are quite good at packing and making new friends.

We love being outdoors. Our favourite things to do together are camping, long country walks, running and volunteering at Parkrun and metal detecting!



Writing puts me in a happy place.. and I especially enjoy writing stories for children!



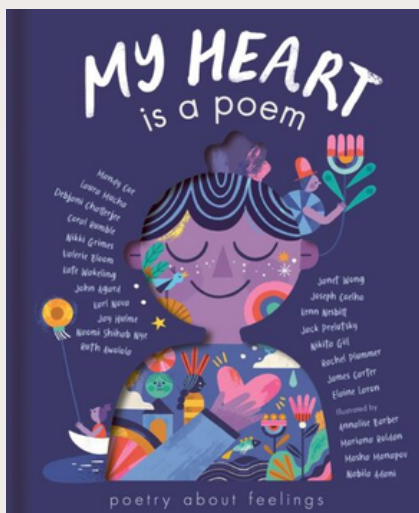
Contact me through the school office 01842 890253 or email the school.

Book Recommendations

Last term you'll remember that we focused on sharing lots of Non-Fiction books with you.

This half term we are going to share some recommendations for reading POETRY!

It's so good to encourage the children to read a wide variety of books including: non-fiction, poetry and fiction texts! Here's a recommendation from Miss Cross:



This series of poetry books is brilliant as it is an anthology of poems by several different poets, exposing us to different styles of poetry writing. Each book focuses on a different theme. This one in particular is lovely because its focus is feelings, so each poem is about different feelings and emotions we experience so is relatable and full of empathy.



RECOMMENDED

Thrive Activity Idea



Those of you who have got to know me a bit will know how important nature is to me....So the challenge this week? Got your wellies on and go on a rainbow nature walk. See how many objects from nature you can find in the colours of the rainbow. You could even make a rainbow shape out of them and take a picture to share your rainbow treasure with us – we'd love to see your creations! Please send any pictures to Catherine cStocking@barnham.org so they can be displayed on our Thrive wall in The Snug.



Spirituality Survey for Parents

We haven't had very many responses compared to the other schools in the pilot project and we promise there are no 'wrong answers', it's just a short survey - please take time to fill this out for us ASAP.

We are taking part in a pilot scheme with St Edmundsbury Diocese and 5 other Suffolk Schools on the topic of Spirituality. As part of this, we need to gather as many parent views as we can. Therefore, we would be very grateful if you could just take 5 minutes to fill this in for us. The questions are easy, no right or wrong answer- we are just keen for your input!

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the survey or scan the QR code on another device to access this.

As a Church of England School we aim to help children develop intellectually, physically, morally and spiritually. We are looking to deepen our children's spiritual development and are looking at how we can continue to create meaningful moments outdoors and inspired by nature.

We will also be asking children, staff, governors and clergy to fill in questionnaires for us too and then compile our findings which we will of course share in due course!

Thank you so much for helping us with this project, we really appreciate it!

SCAN ME



Just One Week to go till Children's Mental Health Week

We are busy planning for some activities for our children to learn about the importance of Mental Health and Wellbeing during Children's Mental Health Week. The theme this year is **'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'** and it will take part from **Monday 3rd February - Sunday 9th February** this year.

We are launching our week a little early with a special THRIVE day on Friday 31st January
So far these are the events we have planned:

Musical Monday - We will be focusing on the difference music can make to our mental health. We'll be enjoying listening to music as we learn.

We will also have a Special Collective Worship to launch Children's Mental Health Week and to share all that we will be doing together.

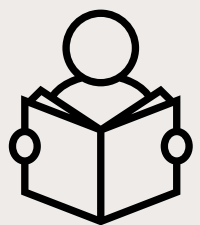
Barnham Young Voices Concert @ 2pm



Cheer Up Tuesday - We will be looking for the children to share their favourite jokes with us for Cheer Up Tuesday- so please start encouraging your child to find their favourite! Steph from Thetford Foodbank will be joining us for Collective Worship and we'll be focusing on how helping others can have a positive impact on your own wellbeing too.



Wellbeing Wednesday - which is also 'World Read Aloud Day' We will have plenty of opportunities to read today and learn about how reading is good for our wellbeing. Miss Cross will be leading Collective Worship today and inspiring us with some book recommendations.



Family & Friendship Thursday - we are inviting families to meet our FSP, Catherine for a CONNECT Coffee Morning in The Cabin from 9-10am.

We are also really looking forward to our Bedtime stories Event from 5:30-6:30pm.



Feel Good Friday - NSPCC Number Day - Mrs Kennedy is busy planning this special day. You'll remember from previous newsletters that we are encouraging children to dress up in a number or maths themed outfit. We can't wait to see how creative you'll all be! There will also be so many activities to help children to feel good including treasure hunts and bingo! All whilst raising money for NSPCC which will make such a difference to the work that they do.



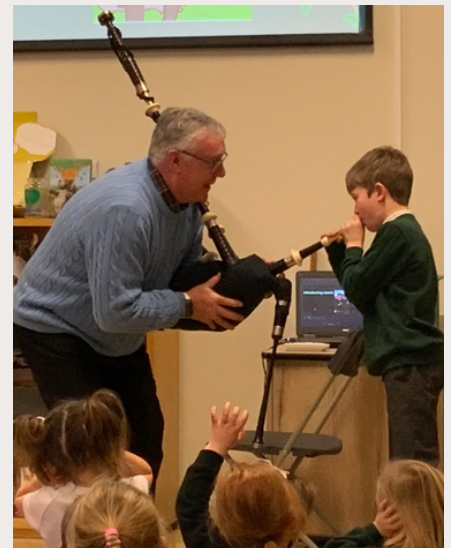
Our Value is Trust

Our BIG QUESTION this week is:

Why is it important to trust God?

It was really good to welcome back Susie Bratby on Monday for Collective Worship this week she talked to us about trust with a sporty activity.

On Wednesday, we learned a little bit about Burns Night that is coming up at the weekend. Our School Counsellor, Laurie also can play the bagpipes! Some of our children already know Laurie well but it was a good opportunity for the rest of us to get to know him a little bit and hear his amazing musical skills too! It was a rather noisy Collective Worship but what an amazing experience for us all!
Happy Burns Night for anyone that will be celebrating over the weekend!



Follow the amazing musical performance from Laurie, Miss Anderson brought in something her Scottish heritage too. Badgers had a look at her dad's kilts- one from his wedding in 1987 and one from when he was 3 in 1961. These kilts are in the Anderson Clan Tartan. They also saw his sporran. Miss Anderson told Badgers about her Scottish traditions and Burns night celebrations. They showed a real curiosity and had some brilliant questions.

Our TRUST Bible Verse - Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding - Proverbs 3 v 5

Lunch Menu for Next Week

Week 2 Menu:

Monday 27th January	Tuesday 28th January	Wednesday 29th January	Thursday 30th January	Friday 31st January
Jacket Potatoes Choice OR Vegi tomato pasta Crunch & Chocolate Sauce	Chicken burgers & wedges OR Quorn Fillet Strawberry Mousse	Mac 'n' cheese and garlic bread OR Jacket Potato Flapjack	Sausage Roast OR Quorn Sausage Jelly & Fruit	Filet of fish & chips OR Quorn Vegi Fingers Marble Cake

Diary Dates

Monday 3rd - Sunday 9th February - Children's Mental Health Week
 Thursday 6th February - Bedtime Stories Event (More information to follow)
 Friday 7th February - NSPCC Number Day
 Friday 14th February - Valentines Disco
Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February - Half Term Holiday
 Tuesday 4th March - Pancake Day Celebration in school
 Thursday 6th March - World Book Day
 Monday 24th March - Parents' Evening
 Tuesday 25th March - Parents' Evening
 Friday 21st March - Non-Uniform Day for donations for Easter Eggs
 Tuesday 1st April - SATS Information Evening for Year 6 Families
Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April - Easter Holiday
 Tuesday 22nd April - Summer Term Begins

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

