

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

## *Lent 2025 Begins @ Barnham* *Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day!*

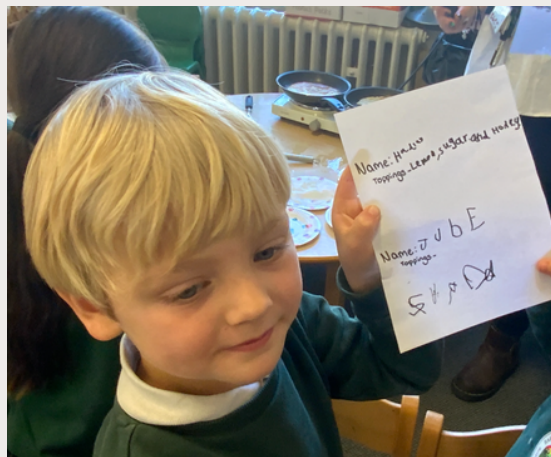


We were absolutely overwhelmed with all your engagement with our Pancake Day competition - thank you so much for getting involved and a huge well done to everyone. There were so many photos shared but here are just a few.

We loved getting together in our mixed-age family groups to share the traditions behind Pancake Day and then we enjoyed some team spirit with a traditional pancake race on the playground at the end of the day. Congratulations to red team who won the relay race. One child from each coloured-team also represented their group by entering a flipping contest to see how many they could flip in one minute. Well done Sofia from the yellow team for winning this!



# Mr Wolf's Pancakes in Hedgehog Class



Hedgehogs had a fabulous Pancake Day immersed in the story of Mr Wolf's Pancakes. Mr Wolf's Pancake Shack was filled with customers all day long! The outdoor cafe was thriving with the most creative natural pancakes, served with coffee and a biscuit for dunking! Jobs were decided with chefs, managers, waiters and 'closer uppers' all working hard to look after their customers! There was so much writing with: a shopping list for Mr Wolf, letters to cheer him up, pancake orders in the pancake shack and of course orders in the cafe! Yummy, tasty and delicious are just some of the words Hedgehogs used to describe their pancakes!

# Ash Wednesday - KS2 Visit St Gregory's Church



On Wednesday, our KS2 children attended the Ash Wednesday Service at St. Gregory's Church in Barnham, marking the start of Lent with reflection and prayer. We were so proud of their participation in the readings, prayers, and singing, making the service truly special. Our heartfelt thanks to Vicar Karen and Vicar Sue for welcoming us so warmly. The children felt cherished as they received their blessing, and Vicar Karen was deeply moved when they responded to her words, "Remember, God loves you," with "And He loves you too!"

Well done to all our KS2 children, and thank you to St. Gregory's Church for a memorable service!


# Lent - Photos from Week 1 Challenges


## Justice for Creation



Calling all Barnham Change Agents  
**'Act, Love, Walk'**  
A Justice-Filled Lent

**Week 1 – Justice for Creation**

  
**ACT:** Pick up litter in your local area to care for God's creation.

  
**LOVE:** Write a prayer of thanks for the world and all living things and bring this in to display on our prayer space.

  
**WALK:** Take a mindful walk outside and notice the beauty of nature—how can we protect it? What can you do to be a Change Agent?

And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6 v 8



Lent Week 1 has been filled with our incredible Barnham Change Agents completing their missions to make a difference in the world. We have loved receiving your photos and hearing your inspiring stories about the ways you've been helping others and caring for the environment.

Don't forget—there are three boxes in the school hall! Each time you complete a challenge, write your name down and pop it in a box. This will help us keep track of how many challenges we complete this Lent season, and it also gives you a chance to win some prizes at the end of Lent!

A Special Well Done to Emily!

We would like to give a huge well done to Emily for completing all of last week's Lent Challenges and going above and beyond as a Change Agent—we are so proud of her!

Emily and her mum made the most of the sunny weather by heading out on a nature walk, bringing their litter-pickers along as always. While the walk started with little litter in sight, they were shocked by the amount of rubbish near the river. Together, they filled a whole bin bag before taking time to enjoy the peaceful surroundings, listening to the birds and watching ripples in the water.

To finish their morning, they stopped at Tesco for a well-earned treat and even cast a couple more blue tokens for Thetford Food Bank. What a fantastic example of kindness and care for the environment—well done, Emily!

*Well done Barnham Change Agents  
Keep up the good work!*

# Here's your next challenges for Lent - Week 2



Calling all Barnham Change Agents

## 'Act, Love, Walk' A Justice-Filled Lent

### Week 2 – Justice in Food



**ACT:** Try eating a meal made with fair-trade or locally-grown, ethically-sourced food.



**LOVE:** Learn about where your food comes from and show your appreciation for farmers and fishermen around the world. Make a thank you card and bring these into school and we will share them with the wider community.

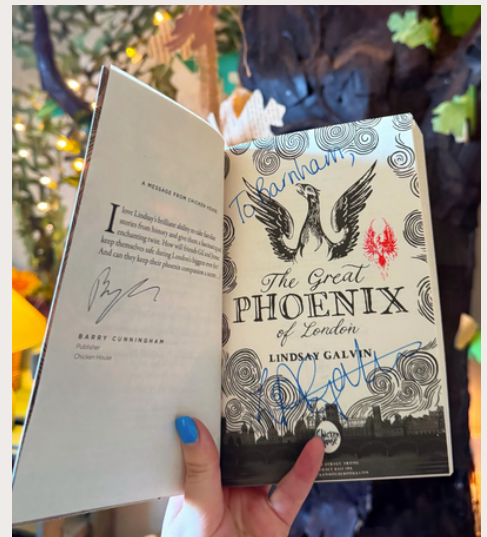


**WALK:** Visit a local farm, market, or community garden and see how food is grown or even try growing your own food.

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# Act, Love, Walk - A Justice-Filled Lent

# World Book Day - Author Visit



We were really lucky to have well renowned author, Lindsay Galvin visit us for World Book Day! She started the morning off with an assembly all about her 4 main books, her inspiration for them all and the amazing research she did for each of them! It was inspiring learning all about her journey to becoming a writer, her love for facts and knowledge and how she has used that to write her stories.

We learnt so much about the Titanic, octopus, new foundland dogs, the Great Fire of London, Charles Darwin and dragons! These are all the amazing themes that come up in her books.

Lindsay did a writing workshop for KS2, giving them ideas and inspiration to allow them to create their own animals and creatures to be in a story! The children had a great time designing and thinking of the different abilities and features these creatures may have. Lindsay came round to speak to every child to see their work and give them a stamp!

Lindsay signed lots of books throughout the morning for us and she even had the difficult job of judging the story jars competition. She couldn't believe how creative they all were!

# World Book Day - Vocabulary Parade

Well done to everyone for your amazing efforts with coming dressed as a word. We were so impressed with the range of words, new vocabulary learnt, synonyms and creativity and play on words too! Thank you to all parents and carers for your help and for joining us for the vocabulary parade where we could show off our words to you all!

Well done to all of the competition winners - we hope you enjoy your prize books.

World Book Day isn't just about celebrating reading for one day, it's about taking the enjoyment from the day and using it to find new books and enjoy reading all kinds of texts wherever we go! Reading is a skill for life and something we value greatly at Barnham to open up new worlds to each and every one of us.

We'd love to hear what books you buy using your £1 book tokens, please let us know!



# Hedgehog Class Visit The Forest



On Thursday, Hedgehog Class went out on the trailer to the forest.

They had a great time exploring the Forest Floor and learning lots more about soil. The children were particularly keen to find out more about the worms that they found in the soil and this has inspired loads of learning back in the classroom. Do ask your child to share some worm facts with you.

They have truly built their vocabulary this week, see if they can explain to you what decompose means.

Hedgehogs are also carrying out an experiment growing sunflowers in different types of soil, so watch this space.

We were accompanied by some trainee teachers from Cambridge University. Together we are growing the future!



# News from Mole Class

In Literacy this week we have started learning to write formal invitations and are planning an afternoon tea with VIP guests. We are going to incorporate some sandwich and cake making into this learning, as well as decoration making of course.

In Maths we have begun our learning on multiplication and division, starting with a recap of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We have also been learning how to measure accurately and have been measuring each other in class.

We have been history detectives this week, we are delving into the history of Barnham and finding out more about when our school was built and how its changed over time. Next week we will be having a walk around Barnham looking at some of the old and listed buildings in the village. The children have been super engaged in this so far and are excited to find out more about where we live and go to school, as well as our local church. If you or any of your relatives have any information about the history of Barnham to share this would be greatly appreciated. We will be learning about this up until Easter.

With the weather so beautiful, we have been getting outside as much as we can to do our learning. We had a great time exploring in the cabin field this week and the children gave Mrs Fleet some great knowledge about the hens.

World Book Day was full of wonderful book sharing. We loved having all the children's favourite books from home to explore and we had a great guest reader (Mrs Anderson) who read us some of her favorite books too. We loved 'Little Bunny Foo Foo!' The children had some fantastic costumes and we were super proud of the effort they went to and all the vocabulary they brought to life.



# Next week is Science Week

## SCIENCE WEEK POSTER COMPETITION

The theme this  
year is  
**CHANGE**

Please have  
your posters in  
**NEXT week.**

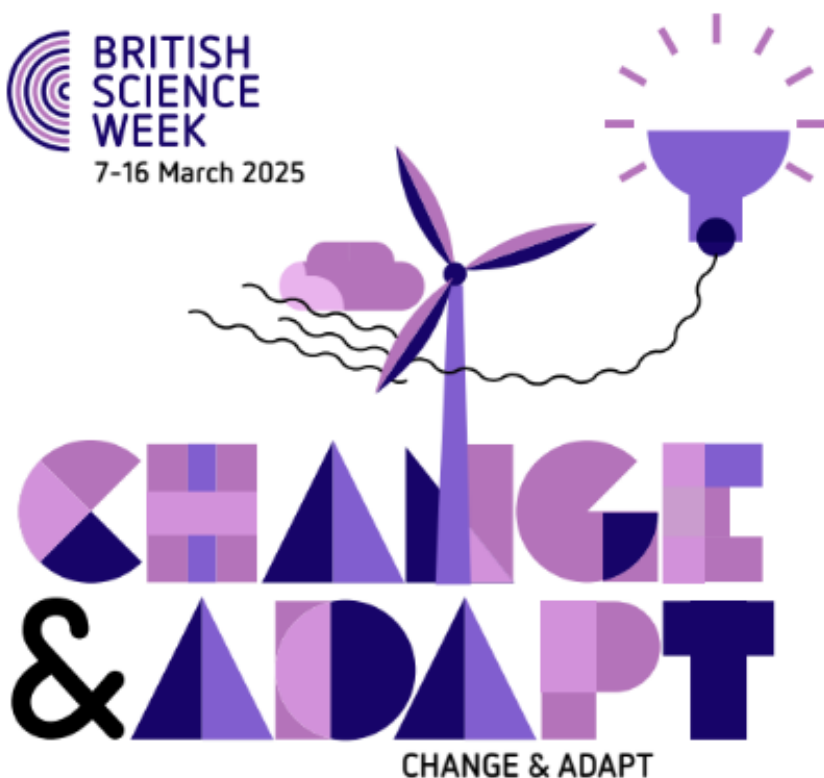
We would like to invite you to create a poster around our theme. Your poster could be about:

- How they have changed from a baby
- Animal life cycle
- The change in technology
- Life cycle of a plant/seed
- Field to fork
- Different gestational periods
- Changes in weather throughout the seasons
- Climate Change
- Evolution
- Go futuristic- predict what spaceships/ life/ new discoveries will be and look like in years to come



The closing date for poster entries is 21st March so you've got plenty of time to work on this project!

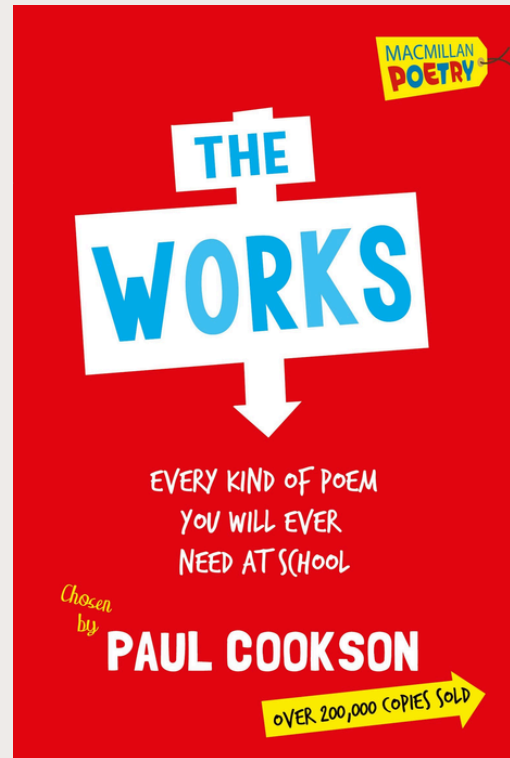
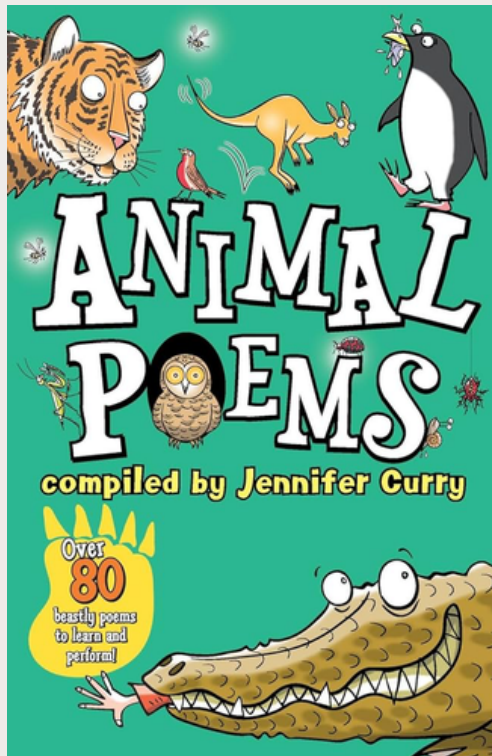
 **BRITISH  
SCIENCE  
WEEK**  
7-16 March 2025



CHANGE & ADAPT

# Book Recommendation

Throughout the course of this term, we are going to try and recommend more poetry books to you. Mrs Kennedy has chosen this week's book recommendations:



## FOBS News

We are very much looking forward to these two events coming up. Please do go along and support FOBS if you can. Don't forget they'd love to hear from new volunteers. Please email [ptabarnham@gmail.com](mailto:ptabarnham@gmail.com) to find out more.

**RAFFLE ON THE NIGHT**

**PRIZE FOR THE WINNERS**

**QUIZ Night**

**SATURDAY 8TH MARCH**  
DOORS OPEN: 6.30PM | QUIZ STARTS: 7PM  
AT BARNHAM VILLAGE HALL

**£5 PER PERSON**  
MAX. 6 IN A TEAM  
PAY ON THE DOOR!

REFRESHMENTS & SNACKS  
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

**FOBS**  
FRIENDS OF BARNHAM CELESTINE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**£5**

**BINGO**

**EASTER EGG**

**Bingo!**

**WIN** Chocolate prizes!  
**WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL**  
Barnham Village Hall

Doors open 5.00pm | **£5.00**  
Eyes down 5.30pm | for 6 games

Pay on the night however please  
note spaces are limited!


Hotdogs, snacks and refreshments  
available to purchase.  
Kids FREE raffle on the night too!

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# Thrive Activity Idea

This week I have set a quest for you.....to see how many acts of kindness you can carry out in seven days. Each time you complete one give yourself a rewarding tick or a sticker. Notice how it felt – you could even ask your friends how it felt for someone to be kind to them. I have made a start on a reward chart below with space for you to add your own ideas or you could come up with your own design. I would love to see your reward chart at the end of the week and hear all about your acts of kindness – why not bring them in to school or email them to me at [cstocking@barnham.org](mailto:cstocking@barnham.org). I look forward to seeing them!

## The Kindness Quest Challenge Chart

Act of Kindness	Reward Sticker 
Dino Hug – Give someone a big hug (if they'd like one)	
Secret Helper – Do a job at home without being asked	
Write a thank you note to someone	
Ask a friend or family member how their day was	

# Safeguarding Focus for March



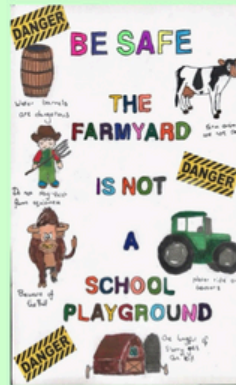
Contextual Safeguarding

Monthly Focus- March 2025

## Staying Safe Around Farms

### How can you stay safe around farms?

We are very fortunate to be able to access farms quite regularly especially on our tractor and trailer trips to Euston Estate. Some of you will also live on or near to farms. Do you know how to keep yourself safe around farms?



Think about the following potential risks:

- Farm Machinery
- Animals
- Chemicals & Pesticides
- Hay bales

How might you keep yourself safe?

Always listen and follow instructions. Ensure that an adult knows where you are at all times. Wash your hands after touching animals.

Stay away from chemicals and pesticides. Only climb on hay bales if you have been told it is safe to do so.

Talk to a trusted adult if you have concerns.

There are lots of trusted adults at Barnham that you can talk to if you need to.

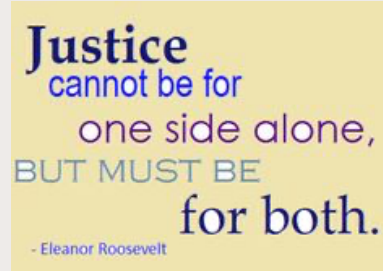
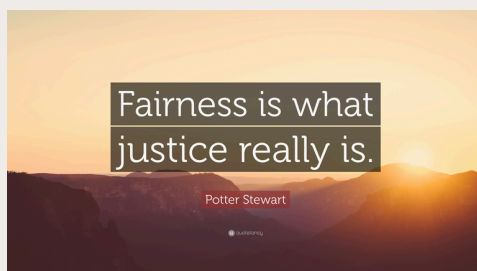
## Our Value is Justice

Our BIG QUESTION this week is:

### How can we practice fairness in our daily lives?

This links perfectly to our Lent Project this year as we try to encourage the children to think more about creating a Justice-Filled Lent. A recent Collective Worship had the children thinking about different scenarios in school that wouldn't be fair for everyone but where some of the children would be at an advantage. We discussed how if it isn't fair for everyone it isn't just or right.

Try and talk to your child/ children about themes of justice as you watch television or see things in the news. It's a tricky value and concept but such an important value for children to learn.



Our JUSTICE Bible Verse - Micah 6 v 8 And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly, love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.



# Lunch Menu for Next Week



## Week 1 Menu:

Monday 10th March	Tuesday 11th March	Wednesday 12th March	Thursday 13th March	Friday 14th March
Pizza, rice and salad OR Tomato Pasta  Ginger Biscuits	Chicken pasta OR Jacket Potato  Sprinkled Tray Bake	Mac 'n' Cheese  Crumble & Custard	Chicken Roast OR Quorn Fillet  Jelly & Fruit	Sausages, chips/mash and beans OR Quorn Sausages  Ice cream pot

## Diary Dates

Monday 10th March - Mini Medics - First Aid Lessons for Year 3 & 4

Monday 24th March - Parents' Evening

Tuesday 25th March - Parents' Evening

Friday 21st March - Non-Uniform Day for donations for Easter Eggs

Friday 28th March - The Gruffalo @ Theatre Royal, Bury- Hedgehogs, Moles & Badgers

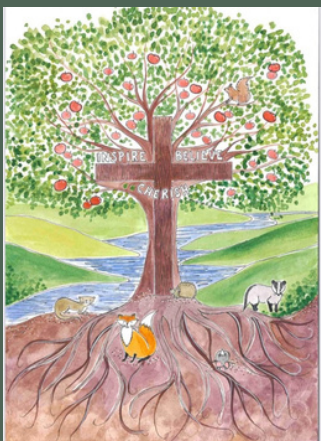
Tuesday 1st April - SATS Information Evening for Year 6 Families

**Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April - Easter Holiday**

Tuesday 22nd April - Summer Term Begins

Thursday 24th April - School Farm and Country Fair- Trinity Park- Year 3 & 4

Thursday 24th April - Pig Heart Boy @ Theatre Royal, Norwich- Squirrels & Otters



## 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

