

BARNHAM CEVC PRIMARY SCHOOL

19th September 2025
Newsletter 3



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Year 6 Residential - Grafham Water Centre



Adventures and Memory Making



Year 6 have had an amazing time away this week at Grafham Water Centre and we are exceptionally proud of every single one of them for overcoming their fears, showing strength bravery and our value of resilience through a variety of outdoor adventurous activities.

The photographs just show how brilliant their time away was and we are so grateful to Mrs Kennedy, Mrs Joubert and Miss Tuffen for taking them and making such amazing memories with them. Thank you very much.

Our thanks to FOBS too for providing another incredible tuck shop for the children to enjoy!

We are sure they will be pretty tired this weekend, but hopefully they'll have full hearts and lots of stories to share with their families.

These memories will last a lifetime!

Overcoming fears and facing challenges!



Well done Otter Class -
you were incredible!

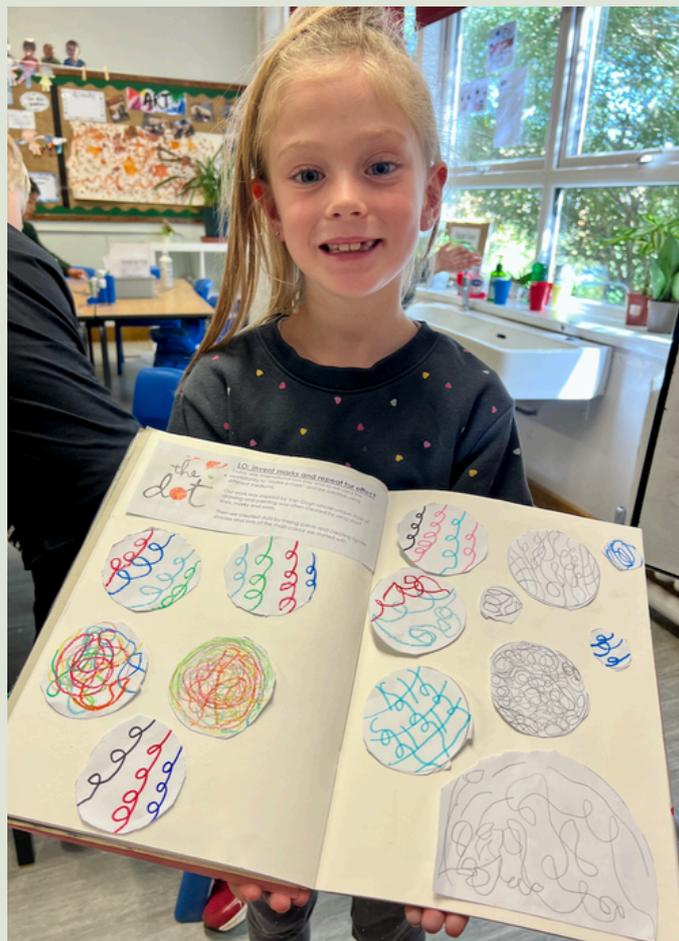
Year 5- get excited for next year!

News from Squirrel Class

We have been taking advantage of the warm September sunshine to enjoy some learning outdoors in Squirrel Class. We loved carrying out a science experiment to discover whether eggs would sink or float in tap water and salt water and we have also enjoyed showcasing our football skills in our PE lessons with Reece. In the classroom we have been working with numbers to a million and in English we produced some fabulous writing inspired by 'Robot Girl' by Malorie Blackman.

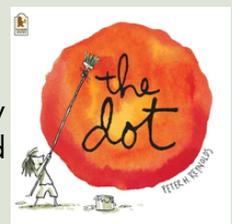


International Dot Day - 15/09/2025



We launched the week by celebrating International Dot Day, a global event inspired by Peter Reynolds' book *The Dot*. It encourages children to be creative, brave, and to "make their mark" in the world.

In Collective Worship, we shared the story and reflected on how each of us can make a difference in our school, community, and beyond. Every child then created their own unique dot, which will soon come together in a whole-school artwork - a celebration of creativity and teamwork. Watch this space for the finished piece!



Thrive Activity of the week

Invite your family to play a game of "Emotion Detective." One person secretly chooses a feeling (such as happy, worried, sleepy, excited, or proud) and acts it out using only facial expressions and body language. The rest of the family become detectives, trying to guess the emotion. Once the feeling is identified, take a moment to share a time when you have each experienced it.

You could even dress up as detectives! Why not send in some pictures of your detective activities and the faces you've experimented with - we could try to guess what they are! Email to cstocking@barnham.org



Messages from FOBS

A huge thank you to everyone who baked and supported FOBS at the BookNic, they raised an incredible £190!

The FOBS AGM will be held on Tuesday 7th October in the evening. A zoom link will be sent out nearer the time.

FOBS have their own instagram for you to follow -
@friendsofbarnham

Their e mail address is ptabarnham@gmail.com

They are still very keen to hear from more willing volunteers.

Finally, please save the date - they are planning our Autumn School Disco for Friday 3rd October- see the poster for more details.



The Return of Wake Up, Shake Up!



Wednesday 24th September is National Fitness Day - to celebrate this, we are going to bring back an old favourite 'Wake Up, Shake Up' at 8:40am on the front playground!

We will see how popular this and may consider trialing bringing it back more frequently. So if you're keen for this- get ready and show us your enthusiasm! Here's your week and half warning- plenty of time to warm up.

Photographs & School Social Media



Thank you so much for returning your responses to the recent changes with photo permissions, this has been hugely helpful.

We just wanted to remind you that our school website is www.barnham.suffolk.sch.uk - we are in the process of updating this for the new school year so please bear with us for the time being.

We'd love you to follow us on social media. Our Facebook Page is 'Barnham CEVC Primary School' and our instagram is @barnhamcevc. These are the platforms which we try to keep updated regularly with school news.

Congratulations!

Rooted in Resilience & Branching Out Awards



Suffolk Admissions Procedures

Here's just a couple of reminders:



Parents and carers can now apply for a place for primary schools for September 2026 reception intake, the deadline for this Thursday 15th January 2026.

Parents and carers of our children in Year 6 need to apply for their Secondary School places before the deadline of Friday 31st October 2025

Do you have a child 0-4 years?

Barnham Bunnies

Barnham Bunnies, our parent and toddler group for 0-4 year olds is back! They met today for the first session of the new year.

There is no need to book- just come along and join the fun. Do let your friends and family know if they have a baby or toddler that they'd like to bring along. The dates for the Autumn Term will be:

26/09/25, 03/10/25, 10/10/25, 17/10/25,
7/11/25, 14/11/25, 21/11/25, 28/11/25, 5/12/25

Barnham Bunnies sign in at the office and then meet in the school hall.

Barnham Bunnies will cost £1 per child this academic year- this is so that we can fund some more resources and exciting opportunities for the group in the days ahead! Please tell your friends and let's make this a thriving group again!



You are warmly invited to our

Early Years Open Days

(for prospective families of children starting school in September 2026)

We would love to show you around our unique school environment on:

Thursday 6th November - 9:30am

Friday 7th November - 1:30pm

Monday 10th November - 5:30pm

Please e mail or phone the school office to book a place.

admin@barnham.suffolk.sch.uk
01842 890253



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Early Years Open Events

We'd love you to spread the word about our upcoming early years open events for prospective families joining us from September 2026.

E Mail the school office to book a place.

Please share this information with any friends or families with a child 0-4 years, we'd love to welcome them to Barnham!

Barnham 'BookNic'



On Thursday, we enjoyed a glorious celebration of reading in the sunshine at our Barnham Booknic!

What a wonderful way to kick off the new school year with blankets, baskets of books and plenty of stories to share and explore together. We especially loved seeing all the teddies that joined us for the fun too! It was a lovely afternoon, filled with books, laughter and community spirit! The perfect picnic of reading and togetherness.

Thank you to everyone who joined us!

Thank You

Since sharing our wishlist last week, we have already had some kind donations from families and we are so grateful.

Thank you so much!



Please, can you help us?

If you have any spare teaspoons or any other cutlery that you don't want or need anymore- we would be very grateful to receive any donations of some!

Thank you so much!



Our School Amazon Wishlist

"How can I help Barnham School?"

"Is there anything that my company can do to support the school?"

These are questions that we get asked frequently and we are so grateful for the wonderful support we receive from all of the families of Barnham but also the wider community and the companies and businesses that you work for.

We have considered ways to support school that can be really simple and so we have created a wishlist on Amazon. Items can be purchased directly from this list and then delivered to the school. If you do this, please include a gift-note so that we know who we can thank.

Here is a link to our list that we regularly update:

[Amazon Wish List for Barnham School](#)



Our Value is Resilience

This week, we've been thinking about developing a growth mindset, trying to be creative and really focusing on the power of the word 'YET'.

Our big question for you to think about as a family over the week is:

What does "I can't do it yet," mean?

We are thoroughly enjoying hearing stories of resilience from our children. Please keep sharing them with us and encouraging them for times they are showing a growth mindset at home.

Any stories can be e mailed to the school via the office
admin@barnham.suffolk.sch.uk



Harvest of the Seas



This year we are doing Harvest a little differently!

We are well aware that the harvest around us finished a long time ago- Euston Farm around the start of the summer holidays.

Therefore, we are going to focus on a different harvest this year- The Harvest of The Seas.

We would love you to join with us to celebrate and thank God for the harvest. We are busy planning an afternoon of fun and activities, this will be on Thursday 16th October. Please save the date and we will send you further details soon.

This year, we will be asking for donations of tinned fish for Thetford Foodbank and also silver coins for The Fishermen's Mission charity. On the day, we will be joined by Andy Malcolm from The Fishermen's Mission and we look forward to learning more from him.



Our RESILIENCE Bible Verse -

"I can do all things through Christ because he gives me strength."

Philippians 4 v 13

Lunch Menu for Next Week

Monday 22 nd September	Tuesday 23 rd September	Wednesday 24 th September	Thursday 25 th September	Friday 26 th September
Jacket Potatoes Choice	Pasta Bolognese OR Tomato Pasta	Fish finger wrap and salad OR Vegi Fingers	Sausage Roast OR Quorn Sausage	Chicken burger & chips OR Quorn Fillet
Strawberry ice cream	Vanilla Cake	Jelly & fruit	Ice lolly	Chocolate cake & ice cream

Please note, our menu is subject to changes and these will be communicated via ParentMail

Diary Dates

Wednesday 24th September - Wake Up Shake Up - 8:40am on the front playground

Tuesday 7th October - FOBs AGM Meeting

Thursday 16th October - Harvest of the seas afternoon
(more information coming soon)

Tapestry is coming soon!

As a school, we have 30 licenses for Tapestry- an online platform where we can share learning with you- these are used for Hedgehog Class and more information will be sent out to you soon.



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

