

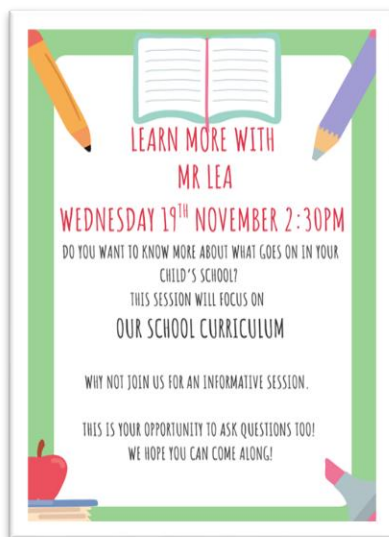


# Barnby & North Cove Primary School

## Newsletter

### 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Message from Mr Lea



Dear families

We have had a week of being both reflective and thoughtful.

As a school we came together on Remembrance Day to say thank you to everyone who fought for our freedom. I was so impressed with the level of maturity shown by all the pupils in the school as they observed the two minute silence at the end of our service.

We have also thought about actions this week as we participated in Anti-Bullying week - thinking about how we can use our 'Power for Good' and how we are all unique. It was great to see so many odd socks on Wednesday as we considered how we may be different but it doesn't matter.

Thank you for all of your support with all the events.

**Exciting News - we have installed this week on our Playground a School Uniform Shed!**

There are many items of clothing that if you need to take you are very welcome to. We are here to support all of our families.



Simon Lea  
Academy Head

**Dates for your diary**

14/11/2025 – Children in Need  
17/11/2025 - The Broads Planetarium visit  
18/11/2025 - Crucial Crew Year 6  
18/11/2025 - Oak Class visit to Bridewell Museum  
19/11/2025 – Willow Class visit to Dunwich  
09/12/2025 - EYFS/KS1 Nativity 2.00pm  
10/12/2025 - KS2 Winter Warmer Event 2.00pm  
11/12/2025 - EYFS/KS1 Nativity 2.00pm  
13/12/2025 – Christmas Fayre  
17/12/2025 – Christmas Dinner Day  
18/12/2025 - Christmas Celebration at the Church  
19/12/2025 - Last day of term

**Christmas Holidays**

05/01/2026 - Staff PD Day  
06/01/2026 - Children return to School

Please remember to check Arbor for any outstanding payments that may be overdue. Any problems, please contact Kathy in the office. Thank You.

**Message from Miss Forster – Juniper Class**

Following on from Juniper's learning last half term where the children learned about space, the children have turned their focus to something a little bit closer to home. Our learning has focused on our own planet. First, learning about the UK, its countries and capital cities. They children used Google street view to 'walk' around the city sights. Later in the week, we looked further afield at the continents of the world and completed a jigsaw of all seven continents. Well done, Juniper.



**Message from Mrs Tilley - Hazel Class**

Hazel class have had a thoroughly enjoyable and busy week at school. In Writing, we have been using 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' as our inspiration. The children have been repeating the repetitive phrases, role playing with hand puppets in the tuff tray, designing their own troll and goats in drawing club and labelling the characters. We also made a chocolate cake and cupcakes with the bridge on top.

In Maths, we have been focusing on careful counting using manipulatives and our fingers to make sure we are accurate and know when what the last number is. In the afternoons we have been focusing on Remembrance Day and creating beautiful poppy artwork. We have also been looking at Rocks and completing an experiment to find out whether the rocks produce bubbles in water.



### Message from Miss Danks – Acorns Class

In Acorn class we have had a wonderful first two weeks back, the children have settled back into school well and we have lots to look forward to in the coming weeks.

This week we went to the Sea life Centre! We were super excited to travel on the bus and everyone was impeccably well behaved and polite to everyone we met. We had the opportunity to touch a giant snail and a starfish! We also got to watch an enormous turtle and the penguins being fed! We had a wonderful day learning about different species of sea creatures and learned lots of interesting facts. We are looking forward to continuing this learning in the classroom through our Understanding the world topic 'Do penguins and polar bears live together?'

We have also started our new class story '10 Little Lights', a wintery tale of 10 little woodland animals that are just trying to reach a warm, cosy fire.

In Maths we have been focusing on numbers to 5. We have also been learning about one more and one less, comparing numbers and exploring new mathematical vocabulary.



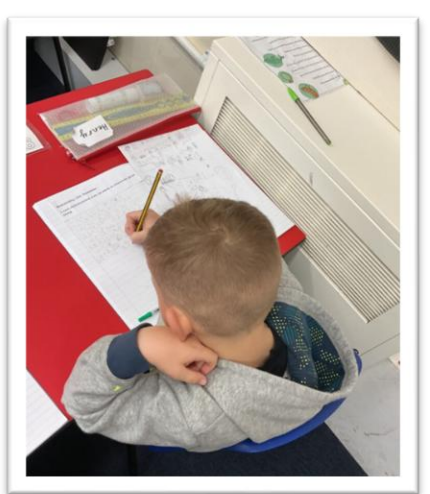
### Message from Mrs Bramwell - Oak Class

What a busy week it has been! So many events and activities going on in school this week but we have managed to squeeze in a tiny bit of learning too.

We have been writing our own stories this week based on a Mr Man character of our choosing. Stories have included Mr Spiky who went to a party and popped all the balloons and Mr Hairy - everything he touches becomes hairy! It has been amazing to read all the stories. The children have all been so wonderfully creative.

In maths we have been exploring the value of the digits in two-digit numbers by partitioning them into tens and ones. We have also been comparing numbers looking at the digits, working out which number is greater than or less than another.

Our favourite activity in maths currently involves some games we have been playing to support our recall of number facts. They include <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/paint-the-squares>, <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> and <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/times-tables/coconut-multiples>. All of the games are free and can be played online. Have fun!



### Message from Mrs Hall – Willow Class

Willow class have been excellent archaeologists again this week. We had discovered artefacts from our dig and needed to investigate what they told us about Anglo-Saxon life. To do this we sorted them into categories; food, buildings, leisure, clothing, weapons.

Children in Need was good fun, we had a go at joining in with Joe Wicks. Certainly, burnt off some energy! Thank you for all your donations, they are gratefully received.

In maths, we are looking at our times tables and have been focusing on our 3-, 6- and 9 times tables. The children are always very keen to tell me all about their practice sessions on TTRS. We are exceptionally competitive in this class!



### Message from Miss McCloskey - Chestnut Class

This week, Chestnut Class impressed everyone with their growing musical talent. We continued practicing our violins and showed real focus and musicality during our sessions. Our music teacher was delighted with the progress we're making and how confidently we are beginning to play together as an ensemble.

In DT, we have begun the exciting process of building our rafts. Using materials such as masking tape, kindling, and lollipop sticks, we worked carefully to construct strong foundations. Next week, we will start adding waterproof materials and continue shaping and refining our designs as we move closer to the final product.



## Safeguarding Information

The DSL (Designated safeguarding lead) for safeguarding in school is Mr Simon Lea. The ADSL's (alternate designated safeguarding lead) are Mrs Claire Tilley and Mrs Kathy Lloyd.

A copy of the safeguarding policy and all other policies are available on the school website.

The Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership website contains a wealth of information: [www.suffolksp.org.uk](http://www.suffolksp.org.uk)

If you are worried about the welfare or safety of a child speak directly to Mr Lea, Mrs Tilley or Mrs Lloyd. If concerns are outside school hours, please contact Customer First on **0800 917 1109** (24 hours). If the matter is urgent because a child or vulnerable adult is in immediate danger, phone 999.

