



Barrington CofE Primary School Newsletter - Friday 12th September

[Headteacher's Message](#)

Welcome to our new newsletter format!

We hope that this will allow you to engage with school updates in a more interactive way and keep up to date with news from the school.

We are looking forward to seeing as many parents as possible at the meet the teacher event on Thursday, where you will have the opportunity to speak to your children's teachers and learn more about the year ahead.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Agata Richards

Celebration Assemblies

Each week a different class will present some of their recent learning, and parents of that class are invited to join us.

- Friday 19th September - Blue Class
- Friday 26th September - Green Class
- Friday 3rd October - Yellow Class
- Friday 10th October - Violet Class
- Friday 17th October - Indigo Class
- Friday 24th October - Orange Class

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- Friday 7th November - Red Class

Goodbye to Mrs Mayling!

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Mayling today, after three years of working in our school. We wish her all the best with her new adventures.

Meet our New Family Support Worker!

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils

I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Family Support Worker at Barrington Primary School.

For a number of years, I have worked in primary schools as a teaching assistant, specifically supporting children with special educational needs and disabilities. During that time I have worked to build positive and supporting relationships with families.

My role now involves building on this and supporting children and their families who may be facing challenges. This could include signposting you to external organisations who are able to offer advice and support, or working together to identify specific challenges that are affecting the family.

If you would like to get in touch, please feel free to email me at kjamieson@barrington.cambs.sch.uk. My working hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (9.30-12.30).

Kerry Jamieson

Education Inclusion Family Advisor Team Countywide Online Workshop Offer

The EIFA team would like to present our newly updated workshops on a variety of parenting and family issues for **September and October**.

Please ensure you book onto each workshop individually by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form.

Sibling Rivalry	Tuesday, 23 September 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams or 
Understanding and Responding to Challenging Behaviours	Thursday, 2 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams or 
Sleep	Tuesday, 7 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams or 
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Anger	Thursday, 9 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams or 
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry	Thursday, 23 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams or 

If you have any questions about our workshops, or the EIFA service in general, please contact earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

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EIFAs offer advice and strategies to parents and carers with a primary school aged child that may be experiencing some challenges such as routines, sleep, sibling rivalry, challenging behaviour, worries or self-esteem. If you'd like a chance to chat about any of these topics, please contact us through scanning the code or clicking on the link

<https://forms.office.com/fd4d96334958>

or email us: earlyinclusion@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

and a member of the team will get in touch with you.



Parenting Top Tip – Back to school toolkit for Parents.

- **Model calmness** – Children pick up on your energy. Stay positive, even if you're a little nervous yourself.
- **Validate emotions** – Instead of saying "don't worry," try: "I know this feels scary, but I believe you can do this."
- **Create good routines** – Set morning and after school routines. Consistency helps children feel safe.
- **Role-play scenarios** – Practice everyday interactions such as, introducing themselves to new classmates, asking teachers questions, or managing breaktimes.
- **Stay connected** – Give your children a small comfort item (note in their lunchbox or a small keychain) as a reminder of your support.

Activity Idea – Getting your children to school.

- **Rainbow walk** – Spot something from each colour of the rainbow.
- **Secret agent game** – pretend you're on a mission and whisper secret instructions, like "walk past the yellow house without being spotted".
- **Steps challenge** – "lets take giant steps like a dinosaur", "can we walk like a bear/crab/meerkat?"
- **Story chain** – you start the story with a sentence and your child adds the next. Building a silly or suspenseful story together.

Ensure that you keep in mind, some days your child may want a high energy morning, some they may not. Also sensory preferences matter, try to avoid overloading with too much information if they are already anxious.

Another Resource – EIFA Workshops

To book, please see the EIFA workshops poster or contact your EIFA.

- **Sibling Rivalry** – 23/09/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
- **Understanding and responding to Challenging Behaviours** – 02/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
- **Sleep** – 07/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
- **Supporting your Child with Feelings of Anger** – 09/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
- **Supporting your Child with Feelings of Worry** – 23/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30

Does your child have, or potentially have, an additional need or disability? Pinpoint (www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk) have lots of information, advice and tips. For Cambridgeshire's Local Offer go to www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer

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Meet the Teacher Evening - Thursday 18th September

We invite you all to our 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Thursday 18th September.

4:30pm - First session of teacher meetings in each classroom

5:00pm - Headteacher presentation in the hall

5:20pm - Second session of teacher meetings in each classroom

Teachers will be hosting two sessions so that parents can choose a time that is most convenient for them, or attend two different sessions for siblings. Please note that this event is for adults only. Please book a place at Peacock Club if you require childcare.

Key Dates

Dates coming up

September

18th - Flu vaccinations

23rd - Burwell information evening - Indigo Class

25th - Harvest Festival

October

8th-10th - Burwell - Indigo Class

13th-16th - Mock SATS - Violet Class

20th-24th - Parent consultations

Term dates for this academic year can be found [here](#)

Vacancy

We are looking for a part-time cleaner. Please see the school website for details [here](#)

Internet Safety Awareness



Netball YR 5 & 6

Tuesdays after school 3:30-4:30pm

Free club - new members welcome

Mr Herd's Sports Club

Gymnastics - Monday - Yrs 1-3

KS1 Football - Tuesday - Yrs 1-3

Multisports - Thursday - Yrs 2-6

KS2 Boys/Girls Football - Friday - Yrs 4-6

We are looking at adding further clubs to our offering and will communicate once we have these confirmed.

Reminders

- Please remember that we are a nut free school
- All belongings need to be named
- A reminder that we should not have dogs on school ground before and after school. The only exceptions to this are small dogs that are carried by an adult, and medical assistance dogs.
- Online Payment System - School Gateway - search and download the App on to your smartphone. Your primary email and mobile no. will be used to verify your account. Please retain your PIN as you may need it again to login. If you are struggling to login please contact the office by email, office@barrington.cambs.sch.uk
- Year 6 - the deadline for applying for secondary school is 31st October 2025

Shepreth Village Picnic

Saturday 20th September

12 - 4pm
Old School Field



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***Free activities to include:**
Nature Art Creations
Free Facepainting
Hook-a-duck and Smack the Rat
Obstacle Course
Teddy Bear's grotto

If weather is BAD - village noticeboards will be
updated with short notice advice