



Watling Meadows Primary School News

Brand-new Primary School Opening in Nuneaton in September 2026

Welcome to this month's newsletter!

It's been another exciting month for Watling Meadows Primary School! We have really enjoyed meeting so many families at our consultation events, coffee and chat sessions, open events and stay and plays! We really hope that you and your children had fun and enjoyed hearing about our plans for the school.

We were excited to share the news that Darren Barrow has been appointed as our new Headteacher! In case you missed the announcement, you can view Darren's open letter to parents/carers on our brand new website here: [Headteacher Letter](#)

If you have any questions or require further information, please get in touch (contact details on the last page).

APPLICATIONS OPEN!

Applications are open on the Warwickshire County Council Admissions Portal, for children starting Reception in September 2026.

CLICK HERE!

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/421/applying-for-a-primary-school-place>

DEADLINE
15TH JAN 2026

SECTION 10 STATUTORY CONSULTATION

Between 3rd October – 14th November CEAT carried out a consultation under Section 10 of the Academies Act 2010. This aimed to seek opinions on whether the Secretary of State and CEAT should enter into a funding agreement for the new school. We are pleased with the positive responses; we will be publishing a report in December 2025 to share the findings.





A huge welcome to our new
Head Teacher



DARREN BARROW



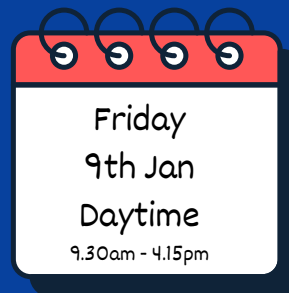
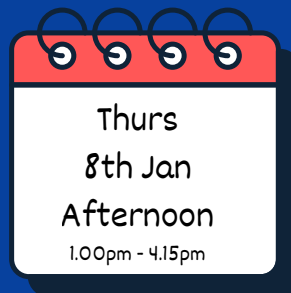
Central England Academy Trust are delighted to
announce our first ever Head Teacher for Watling
Meadows Primary School: Darren Barrow!

January 2026 - Meet our new Headteacher



COFFEE & CHAT SESSIONS

Newly appointed Headteacher Darren Barrow, will be hosting Coffee & Chat sessions at Higham Lane North Academy in January. 30-minute time slots are now available for prospective families to book.



Email vmckay@centralengland.co.uk to book
Please note that bookings close on Friday 18th December 2025



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