



Barden Primary School
Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parents/Carers,
What a lovely week of weather we have had this week. The children have loved playing in our 'Opal' playgrounds, where they use their imagination and our excellent resources to have fun.
The School Council have organised a 5KM sponsored walk on November 10th to raise money for our school. It would be great if you are able to sponsor them for this.
Take Care, Mrs C Holgate, Headteacher

Thank you for your continued support. If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school to speak with us.
01282 226777

DATES:
School closes for the October half term break after school on Thursday 23rd October and reopens on Monday 3rd November 2025.

Attendance for Last Week w/c 15/09/2025

Eaglets	85.95%
Owlets	97.71%
Chicks	95.15%
Robins	96.32%
Sparrows	99.64%
Swallows	94.33%
Wagtails	99.25%
Blackbirds	98.39%
Skylarks	97.74%
Doves	99.00%
Kingfishers	95.17%
Woodpeckers	93.87%
Puffins	96.36%
Jays	95.00%
Kestrels	92.26%
Eagles	98.75%
The Nest	93.06%
Pipits	100.00%

Overall school attendance was **96.09%**. Congratulations to **Pipets** who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!

E Badge Winners this Week

Class	Badge Winners
EYFS	-
Sparrows	Arooba Z, Talal A
Robins	Muhammad A M, Aisha M
Swallows	Hashim M, Hanna M
Wagtails	Hanya K, Fatima A
Doves	Ayana A, Haniya H
Skylarks	Hassan A, Aryaan S
Blackbirds	Duaa M, Yasin I
Woodpeckers	Saim A, Fiza H
Kingfishers	Fajjar Z, Shar S
Jays	Mohammad N K, Arooba A
Puffins	Anam H, Rayyan M
Eagles	Iqraam S, Rehma S
Kestrels	Ayat B, Rayaan Y
The Nest	Arthur T
Pipits	Mubariz H

Winning Team - **WATER**



Bronze - Hanya K

Gold Award Certificate - Maria I, Haleemah S, Minsa U



Free School Meals

If you believe that you may be entitled to benefit related Free School Meals, you can complete an online form on the Lancashire County Council website by clicking on this link [Free school meals - Lancashire County Council](#).



It is very easy and quick to complete. If you are successful, school will receive extra funding for your child's learning, and your child will receive Free School Meals between Year 3 and Year 6.

Free School Meals is different to Universal Free School meals that all pupils receive in Year Reception, Year 1 & Year 2.

Appointments in Learning Time

School has been in undated with parents collecting pupils for medical appointments since the start of September. While some of these doctor, dentist and specialist appointments cannot not be helped, many regular checkups that can be arranged outside of school time. Please make best efforts to book checkup appointments through the school holiday or after school. Taking pupils out of school disrupts their learning and the class.



Upcoming Diary Dates

DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 8.50am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
Tuesday 30 th September	Year 3 &4 Active 60 Festival KS1 Animal Olympics EYFS Early Reding Parents Meeting
Wednesday 1 st October	Jays Class Assembly at 8.50am followed by tea/cake and time in your child's class
Monday 6 th October	Black History Month
Tuesday 7 th October	EYFS Early Maths Parents Meeting Year3/4 Tag Rugby Year 5/6 Cross Country Barden Share and Care @3pm School Hall
Thursday 9 th October	Puffins class assembly at 8.50am followed by tea/cake and time in your child's class.
Tuesday 14 th October	Divali whole school assembly
Thursday 16 th October	Year 5/6 Glow Dodgeball



MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2025

SPONSOR US! 5 KM WALK

PAY US
TO WALK!

HELP US TO
RAISE MONEY FOR
NEW LIBRARY RESOURCES

On Monday, 10th November 2025, pupils from our school council will be taking part in a Sponsored Walk to help raise money for new library resources. Please support us by sponsoring our walk – every contribution will help us fill our library with exciting things and inspire a love of reading for all our children.



Or if you'd prefer, you can donate now via your school Scopay account!

Sponsor Name	Amount Sponsored	Paid (✓)



Parent &
Pupil
Support



{my}dentist
Padiham Road

NOW ACCEPTING NEW NHS CHILD PATIENTS

We are focusing on improving access to children's dental care within the area.

To register your child with one of our NHS dentist's, please call us on 01282 456128 or visit us in practice!



Contact Us:
01282 456128



Sports



Year 6 Football Festival

Eight of our Year 6 pupils recently took part in a Football Festival, playing a series of exciting mini matches. The team showed fantastic teamwork, skill and sportsmanship throughout the day – and remained undefeated! A special congratulations goes to Ibrahim, who was awarded the School Games Award for Determination. Well done to the whole team for representing our school so brilliantly!

Pupil Voice Update

Recently, we carried out a Pupil Voice session. Some children were unable to attend afterschool clubs due to other commitments, so we have made an adjustment to the timings.

From now on, sessions will finish at 4:05pm. Please ensure you are on time to collect your child promptly from the main office at 4:05pm.

Thank you for your support!

The Robins class have settled in super well in these first few weeks back. Everybody is working so hard!

In class, we have been writing sentences using capital letters and full stops. Our sentences have been about Harry the Happy Mouse!

We have been learning about numbers 1-10 in Math's and finding 1 more and 1 less. Also, we have been looking at counting backwards!

We have been developing our hopping skills in PE as well as looking at how we can accurately roll a ball.

Well done Robins, you have all made an excellent start to Year 1!

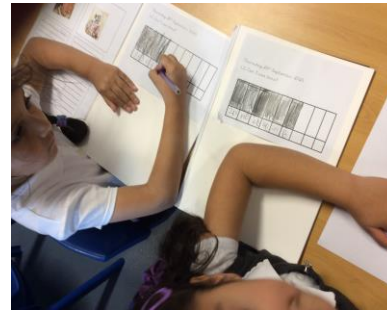


Robins

Year 1



Sparrows



We have had a brilliant start to the Autumn term in the Sparrows. The children have settled in brilliantly and have really been enjoying their learning.

In English, the children have had a surprise visit from Harry the happy mouse and have generated brilliant sentences about it.

In Art we have been learning about Pablo Picasso and exploring different shades, tones and shapes we can draw with.

The children have shown off their brilliant science knowledge, naming different parts of the human body.

We are really enjoying our lovely learning!

In Jays, we have been creating our very own automata using our English novel for inspiration. We have been learning lots of new skills and can't wait to show you our final products.



Jays

Year 5



Puffins

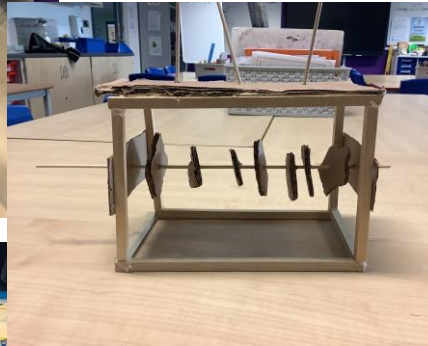
Puffins class have settled into Year 5 really well and have been enjoying all of their lessons!

In English, we have been reading *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* and have written super balanced arguments based on the story.

We have made a fantastic start to Maths, looking at place value and we have really enjoyed using the iPads to complete LbQ's.

We have also enjoyed experimenting in science, along with taking part in other exciting active learning activities.

In Puffins, we are currently working really hard on our assembly practice and can't wait for you to watch us on Thursday 9th October!



Pipits Class

Pipits have had an explosive start to the school year and have been extremely busy every day.

In English, we are reading 'Harry the happy mouse' and have been using our speaking and writing skills to describe Harry and his friends.

In Maths, we are focusing on Place Value and are learning how to recognise and represent numbers to 10 in different forms.

We have also continued to visit Forest School on Monday afternoons.



In the afternoons, we have enjoyed a variety of different lessons and activities.

In Science, we have been exploring mammals and birds. In History, we studied the history of our local area, Burnley, including the wonderful Towneley Hall.

We are challenging ourselves with obstacle courses in PE on a Friday afternoon, working on our core strength, balance and listening skills.





Join us for our upcoming class assemblies! We will be showcasing the learning that has taken place in class. Afterward, you can spend time with your child looking at their books. Then, enjoy a drink and some snacks with us back in the hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

Date (Thursday usually)	Class
Wednesday 1st October 2025	Jays
9th October 2025	Puffins
23rd October 2025	Kingfishers
Wednesday 12th November 2025	Blackbirds
Wednesday 19th November 2025	Woodpeckers
22nd January 2026	Kestrels
Wednesday 28th January 2026	Eagles
5th February 2026	Doves
12th February 2026	Skylarks
19th March 2026	Swallows
26th March 2026	Wagtails
30th April 2026	Sparrows
Wednesday 6th May 2026	Robins
18th June 2026	Owlets
25th June 2026	Eaglets
2nd July 2026	Chicks



BURNLEY MUSIC CENTRE



SIGN UP!



TUESDAYS
3:30-8PM

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SCHOOL,
MOOR LANE,
PADIHAM BB12 8HT

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<https://www.lancashiremusichub.co.uk/site/get-involved/burnley-music-centre/>

ENSEMBLE TIMETABLE



**BAND | 3:40-4:20PM
MR SHEEHAN**



**SAMBA | 4-4:30PM
MR MIODUZEWSKI**



**STRING GROUP | 4:10-4:50PM
MR BOOTH**



**MUSIC THEORY | 4:20-4:50PM
MRS SPALL**



**GARAGEBAND | 4:50-5:20PM
MR SHEEHAN**



**RECORDER with ARTS AWRD
5.00-5:30PM
MISS FAITH ROWBOTHAM**

ENSEMBLE TIMETABLE



**ENSEMBLE FOR ALL 5:20-5:50PM
MRS BRADLEY**



**INTERMEDIATE GUITAR ENSEMBLE
5:20-5:50PM | MR WEBB**



**BEGINNER UKULELE & GUITAR
ENSEMBLE
5:20-5:50PM | MR SHEEHAN**



**CHOIR | 5:50-6:20PM
MRS BRADLEY**



**BEAT LAB
7.00-8.00PM | MR SHEEHAN**