



Dear Parent/Guardian,

It has been an exciting this week. We have had a visit from some exciting animals to Year 1. Doves have delivered an amazing assembly! Thankyou to all parents and carers that were able to attend. Also, our local MP, Antony Higginbotham has come to visit our school. It has been great!

Thank you *Mrs C Holgate*, Headteacher

| Attendance for Last Week |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Swans                    | 97.50% |
| Doves                    | 97.33% |
| Eaglets                  | 94.84% |
| Eagles                   | 97.84% |
| Woodpeckers              | 94.33% |
| Kestrels                 | 94.19% |
| Owlets                   | 90.69% |
| Skylarks                 | 90.67% |
| Jays                     | 90.60% |
| Wagtails                 | 90.32% |
| Kingfishers              | 90.00% |
| Puffins                  | 90.00% |
| Robins                   | 89.67% |
| Swallows                 | 88.33% |
| Sparrows                 | 85.86% |
| Cygnets                  | 85.00% |
| Wrens                    | 83.67% |

Overall school attendance was **97.50%**  
 Well done to **Swans** who had the highest attendance last week.

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. Tel: **01282 226777**

### Our Local MP visits Barden

Today, Antony Higginbotham, our local MP visited our school. It was very exciting. He delivered an interactive assembly to all our children and then helped us to re-enact a 'mock Parliament' with Year 4 and 5. He also delivered a Question and Answer session. It was great fun and very informative!



### Go-Noodle!

The hall doors will be open at 8.20am everyday for any body that would like to take part. Go Noodle is a 10 minute dance/fitness session. Come and join in!

**DATES:** School closes for Half Term after school on Friday 9th February 2023. School reopens on Monday 19th February 2023.



### Swans @ The Nest

An amazing week so far in Swans class! This week we have been learning all about healthy food plates in our PSHE session. We completed a sorting activity before creating a healthy food plate. In science we looked at the different parts of a plant by dissecting a flower and labelling the different parts. We have continued to build our stamina for learning and increase our knowledge of set 2 speedy sounds. Our work in maths has built our confidence with number lines and ordering.

**NEW SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER**

**Tel: 01282 226777**

## Upcoming Diary Dates

| DATE                                 | EVENT  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Every Friday @ 9am                   | Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend. |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 3pm | Share and Care Event   |
| Wednesday 8th February               | Safer Internet Day—Whole School  |
| Thursday 9th February                | Skylarks Class Assembly @ 8.50am followed by tea/cake with your child  |
| Thursday 2nd March                   | World Book Day—More information to follow)                             |
| W/c 13th March (all week)            | Parent/Child Drop In Sessions—more information to follow               |
| 30th March                           | Pupil Progress Report Cards go home today                              |
| Friday 31st March                    | School closes after school for 2 weeks Easter Break                    |

### Attendance

Just a quick update. The attendance and punctuality letters are in the post where pupils fall below the school's threshold. If you would like to discuss your child's attendance and punctuality, please call school and ask to speak to Mrs Rawcliffe to make an appointment for a chat. We aim to work with you to provide solutions to get your child back on track by arriving at school by 8.35am and achieving 96% attendance or above, which is the school target. We are here to help!

### Unavoidable Extended Leave

Application of Leave of Absence forms must be submitted to Mrs Rawcliffe with copy of flight tickets. A parent meeting will then be arranged with Mrs Holgate before departure.

Please report your child's absence on each day of absence from 8am. Failure to do so may result in the absence being recorded as unauthorised, which may lead to a Penalty Notice.

# NSPCC Number Day

Friday 3rd February, 2023

We are helping to raise money for the NSPCC by taking part in 'Dress up for Digits'

For a £1 donation your child can come to school wearing an item of clothing with a number on it.

Football shirt, cap, pyjamas, onesie or try one of the ideas below.





## **Save the Date!**

The school photographer is coming  
into school on

**Monday 6th February**

*Children will be having an individual  
photograph taken that parents will be  
able to purchase if they wish.*



# curriculum

## What has your child been learning about in class this week?

If your child's class isn't in the newsletter this week, they will be next week.



R- Owlets

We have flown to the Arctic this week! We made our own binoculars and took a clip board with paper to make a list of all the animals we saw there! We had to have our passports to get onto the plane! We have learnt about the Chinese New Year – joined in a dragon dance, used chopsticks, written Chinese symbols and listened to the Chinese New Year Animal Story. We have had so much fun!!



Wrens 1

Year 1 have been animal mad this week! We have been lucky enough to have some special animal visitors in to school. The children asked some fantastic questions and already had so much knowledge from our animal magic topic so far. We have been pretending to be animals, drawing animals and even designing our very own animal masks which we will soon be bringing to life!



2- Wagtails

A super week for Wagtails! We have been learning about money in Maths and in English we have started our new story – Bob on the Moon! We love this story, it has some very funny aliens in. We are carrying on with gymnastics and net and ball in PE. We are still learning about Space and we are doing so well – we are experts! Keep an eye on the class page for updates of what we get up to!



3- Skylarks

This week we have been working really hard in English, writing new stories about our material characters. We have been using verbs and adverbs, inverted commas and noun phrases. We have also worked hard in maths, finishing off our work on multiplication and division. In Science, we have made a poster all about keeping safe in the sun as part of our light topic. We have also started practicing for our class assembly – you won't want to miss it!



4- Woodpeckers

This week has been an exciting week for Woodpeckers! After our scone tasting session earlier on in the term, this week, we designed and baked our own scones from scratch. Following this, we added delicious toppings and presented them in unique ways before devouring them in celebration of a successful Design & Technology unit of work – mmm! We also welcomed Miss Clemson to Year 4, our new Student Teacher. We wish you the best of luck, we know you'll love Barden!



5- Puffins

This week, the children have had great fun designing their own creature. We have looked at using powerful vocabulary in our expanded noun phrases to create a character description. This will help us in our work next week, when we will be writing our own stories based on the Jabberwocky. We have also worked super hard in Maths, as we have been working on long multiplication. Keep up the good work Puffins!



6- Eagles

This week, we have been starting to plan our own chapter, with a new character, to be included in The Wizard of Oz. We are coming to the end of our Ratio unit of work in Maths and will be making a start on Algebra soon. We are also continuing to look at Hindu beliefs following our RE visit from Neetal last week. In our Learning Challenge lessons, we have studied trade routes and discussed the importance of The Silk Road, we also wrote a newspaper report about the fall of Baghdad with details of the Mongolian invasion.

## School Calendar for 2023-24 (from September 2023).

This is also displayed on our school website [Holidays | Barden Primary School](#)

Green Days are when the school is closed for INSET (training) days

Blue Days are when school is closed for school holidays

| September 2023 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 24             | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |

| October 2023 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| November 2023 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 19            | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
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| December 2023 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| January 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| February 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| April 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| May 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| June 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| July 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| August 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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years

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**Monday 13 Feb**  
South West Centre,  
Tay Street  
10am-12noon

**Monday 13 Feb**  
Chai Centre,  
Hurtley Street  
1.00pm-3.00pm

**Tuesday 14 Feb**  
Ightenhill Centre,  
Oak Street  
10am-12noon

**Tuesday 14 Feb**  
Whitegate Centre,  
Oak Street  
10am-12noon

**Wednesday 15 Feb**  
Burnley Wood  
Centre,  
Brunswick Street  
10am-12noon

**Wednesday 15 Feb**  
Barnley Campus,  
Barden Lane  
1.00pm-3.00pm

Call for more info and book your place

**01282 470707**

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**BurnleyFamilyZone**

## **WE NEED YOUR WELLIES!!**

Over the next year we are looking at turning our playgrounds into an imaginative, engaging and active space. We will be introducing several new 'zones' where children can engage in numerous fun activities at break times, which will develop their imagination and independence.

To ensure all children have the opportunity to take part every day (whatever the weather), we are asking all children to bring in a pair of wellies, which will be kept in school. These need to be clearly named and will be kept outside classrooms for children to change into during wet weather.

Please can children bring their wellies into school.

We appreciate that the cost of living has significantly increased recently. If you feel that you are not able to provide a pair of wellies for your child, please speak to your child's teacher and we will do our very best to help.

**Kind regards, The Elevate Team Miss Darcy, Mrs Holgate, Mr Holland, Miss Rawstron, Miss Lingard and Miss Lynch**

