



Friday
9th February
2024



Barden Primary School
Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parent/Guardian,

It has been a very exciting week this week in school. The choir went to Manchester Arena to join in with the Young Voices choir. There are photos on the next page.

The athletics team took part in a competition at Blessed Trinity. They were excellent and we are very proud of them.

Well done to Goldfinches for their assembly this week. Thank you to all parents that were able to attend.

Kind regards, Mrs 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 You can also catch me on the yard most mornings before school.

DATES:

School finishes for half term on Friday 9th February at 3.05pm.
We return on Monday 19th February.

**Attendance for Last Week
w/c 29/01/2024**

Cygnets	100%
Swans	88.00%
Owlets	96.90%
Eaglets	95.48%
Robins	94.83%
Sparrows	93.45%
Goldfinches	99.31%
Wagtails	92.64%
Swallows	88.00%
Doves	92.50%
Skylarks	98.75%
Kingfishers	96.67%
Woodpeckers	87.33%
Jays	86.45%
Puffins	98.15%
Eagles	98.71%
Kestrels	95.48%

Overall school attendance was **94.28%** Well done to **Cygnets** who had the highest attendance last week!

Badge Winners this week

Class	Badge Winners
Owlets	Fatima K, Dominykas L
Eaglets	Ferdaws O, Menaal H
Sparrows	Ariana M, Laith Z
Robins	Sofia S, Zidan A
Goldfinches	Subhan K, Aliyza K
Swallows	Hayaa A, Musa A
Wagtails	Rubab A, Hashim K
Doves	Stefano P, Muhammad A
Skylarks	Huzaiifa H, Rayan K
Woodpeckers	Ayat R, Ruhaan M
Kingfishers	Ayaan K, Ahnaf A
Jays	Haris K, Hooriya S
Puffins	Khadija M, Amina S
Eagles	Sufyaan I, Aishah M
Kestrels	Redaan U, Aroosh R
Nest	Lucy-Lou D, Arthur T

Winning Team - EARTH

BRONZE WINNERS - Arisha, Subhan, Ayat, Umme, Musa, Ahnaf, Ayyan

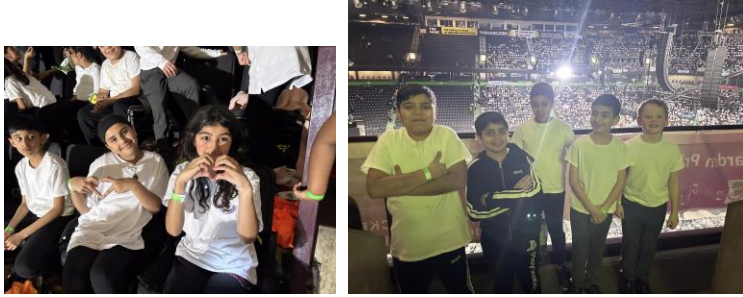
SILVER WINNERS - Haris, Haleema, Tehreem,

GOLD WINNERS - Iqra

GOLD Certificate - Hareem, Edwin, Kai, Veda, Azan, Aliyan

Young Voices 2024 at Manchester Arena

A huge well done to the choir, expertly led by Mrs Hindle and Mrs Bate. The evening was fantastic and it was great to be part of such a special event.



Athletics Competition at Blessed Trinity

A huge well done to the Barden children that participated in the Athletics Competition at Blessed Trinity last night. They were absolutely incredible, and we are very proud of them!



Upcoming Diary Dates

DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 8.50am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
Monday 19th February	Children return to school after half term break!
Thursday 29th February	Eagles Class Assembly
Thursday 29th February	Year 5 trip to Clitheroe Castle
Monday 4th March	School photos.
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day – see letter for details about how we will be celebrating.
WB 4th March	'Love to Learn' sessions at Barden. Parents will be invited into school to join in with a lesson with their child's class. We will share a letter with more information about this after the holidays.

ONLINE SAFETY DAY

This year the theme was 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'.

We learned lots about online safety this week and took part in some exciting activities. We had an assembly and discussed how we can keep safe online using the SMART guidelines.

S for Safe: Keep personal details away from strangers.

M for Meet: Don't meet people that you know online unless you're with a trusted adult.

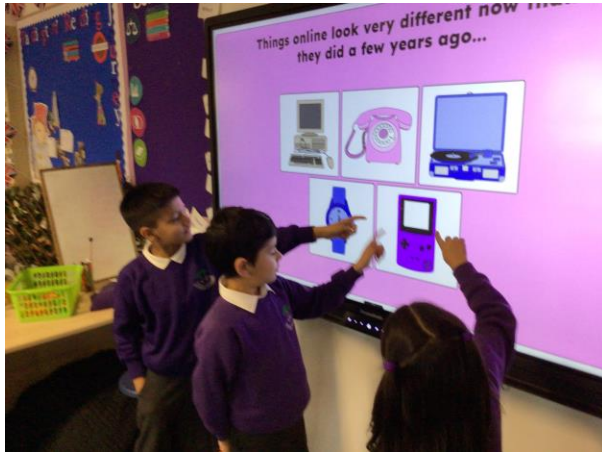
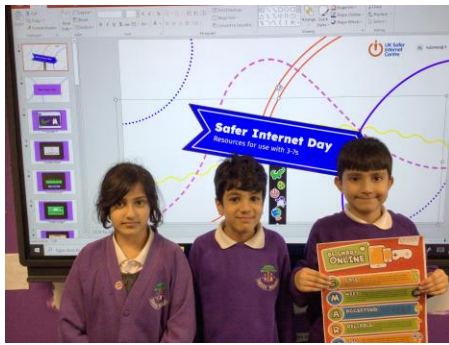
A for Accept: Don't click any links that you're unsure about. Ask a trusted adult.

R for Reliable: Not everything we see online is true
T is for Tell: Tell a trusted adult if something worries you online

BE SMART WITH A HEART: Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

A great link for parents and carers:

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>



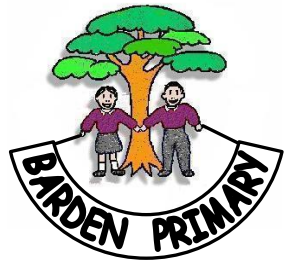
Forest Schools

We have had a great half term with the children. We have learned how to use a fire steel, lit a fire and roasted marshmallows. The children are really enjoying being able to climb trees and are continuously building their confidence, understanding their limits and pushing them a little further each week. As you will be aware we have had lots of mud but the children have really enjoyed playing in it. They have made fantastic use of our mud kitchen.

We appreciate your understanding with the muddy clothes, thank you.

If you would like to view your child's photos from the woodland, you can find them all on our school website, click on curriculum, Forest school, spring term, then the class your child is in.





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.



Swans

Swans have been learning about sources of sound and how sound travels. They have observed vibrating objects and discovered that sounds travel in waves. They have also made further progress in computing with their photography skills, editing and improving pictures. In maths we are continuing our work on subtraction and the concept of taking away. Swans class continue to work hard.



R- Owlets

Parents have been Owlets this week to learn about the learning first thing in the morning and Read Write Inc. We hope you enjoyed joining in the fun! We have been learning about igloos and the Inuits, even building an igloo out of sugar cubes! We have been asking questions to Penguin Small and the Snowman. We have been learning about the Chinese New Year, building the great wall of China, using chopsticks and creating a magical dragon dance!



1- Robins

Robins have had a fabulous end to this half term. In English the children have enjoyed researching Polar Bears and have used this information to create non-fiction posters. In computing the children have been programming Bee bots to complete different routes. The children have had a fabulous time designing and making their own sugar cube sculptures. Well done Robins!



2- Goldfinches

Goldfinches have had a fantastic final week of the half term. We started the week with an exciting visit to the planetarium where we explored the planets in our solar system. In English, we have been exploring non-fiction texts and have been creating our own book all about space. Goldfinches were amazing in their class assembly. Well done for your hard work Goldfinches!



3- Skylarks

We have had a great last week of this half term. We have finished our English topic on the Iron Man, writing instructions for how to trap him. We have done some really tricky multiplication work, multiplying a two-digit number by a one-digit number. We were so excited to make our pizzas in DT and did an absolutely brilliant job! Well done Skylarks!



4- Woodpeckers

In year 4, we have been making our very own torches! The children have been great in this half term's DT topic and there has been some wonderful learning about electrical circuits. We also had a parent session on Monday and the children loved showing their adults how they best learn their times tables! Year 4 have been working hard at this since their check is just around the corner.



5- Puffins

What a great final week! This week, we have smashed dividing 4-digit numbers with remainders and apply our knowledge to solve problems. In English, we have finally written our adventure story using Jumanji as our inspiration. We have also developed our knowledge of the Amazon Rainforest, its location, animal life and the threat of deforestation. What a great end to a wonderful half term. Well done!



6- Eagles

The children have been so engaged in our learning this week. They have mastered ratio and really are growing in confidence each day. They have innovated the classic story of 'The Wizard of Oz' and have produced, by far, their best ever writing. The children planned an experiment in science using their knowledge of electrical circuits and their components. Well done Eagles, you've been amazing this term!

Class Assemblies 2023 -2024

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
12 th October	Swallows
Fri 20 th October	Jays
2 nd November	Kingfishers
9 th November	Puffins
16 th November	Doves
25 th January	Woodpeckers
26 th January	Skylarks
1 st February	Wagtails
8 th February	Goldfinches
Thursday 29th February	Eagles
21 st March	Kestrels
28 th March	Sparrows
25 th April	Robins
23 rd May	Owlets
27 th June	Eaglets