



Friday 8th  
March 2024



**Barden Primary School**  
Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you to the parents/carers who have been able to attend our Love to Learn sessions this week.

We also welcomed author and illustrator Steven Waterhouse as part of our World Book Day celebrations.

Thank you for all your support with World Book Day - the children (and staff team) looked amazing :-)

*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 the Easter holidays on Thursday 28th March and reopens on Monday 15th April at 8.35am

**Attendance for Last Week  
w/c 26/02/2024**

Cygnets	94.29%
<b>Swans</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
Owlets	81.03%
Eaglets	93.23%
<i>Robins</i>	96.33%
Sparrows	96.90%
Goldfinches	88.62%
Wagtails	94.67%
Swallows	98.00%
Doves	89.69%
Skylarks	98.44%
Kingfishers	96.33%
Woodpeckers	86.33%
Jays	98.06%
Puffins	93.94%
Eagles	94.84%
Kestrels	87.74%

Overall school attendance was **93.16%**. Well done to **Swans** who had the highest attendance last week!

**Badge Winners this week**

Class	Badge Winners
Owlets	Anika L, Eiliyah K
Eaglets	Abubakr K, Ibrahim A
Sparrows	Huzaiifa M, Bisma A
Robins	Fazal-ilaahi S, Donka S
Goldfinches	Sulayman I, Bareera B
Swallows	Sara K, Ismail R
Wagtails	Jawad N A, Sukayna S
Doves	Muhammad A, Anam H
Skylarks	Ayat U, Hasan M
Woodpeckers	Eshaal N, Nazir A
Kingfishers	Ali Haider S, Emaan K
Jays	Hussnain P, Umar F
Puffins	Murtaajiz B, Jake V
Eagles	Ishaaq K, Adyaan N
Kestrels	Iqra K, Sulaiman A
The Nest	Muhammad M, Arron D

Winning Team - **WATER**



**BRONZE WINNERS - Sulayman I, Bareera B**

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

# World Book Day 2024!

We had a fantastic day celebrating World Book Day. The children took part in a costume parade in the morning and completed fun activities in their classrooms. We would like to say a huge thank you to everybody that took part and made the day so enjoyable!





## Attendance & Punctuality



### Attendance

Is it incredibly important that all pupils attend school every day in term time unless they are too ill to attend. Please could parents be reminded that they must report their child's absence with the School Office from 8am. If a report of absence is not received, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised and may trigger a Penalty Notice.

### Punctuality

Please parents be reminded that pupil must arrive at their classrooms by 8.35am so that they have time to get ready for the day and be on time for registration. The School Office is not a short cut to class or a way of avoiding walking to the reception and Year 6 block. Please consider your routines so that pupils arrive to school on time every day. Please speak to Mrs. Rawcliffe or Mr. Dowling if you need help with your child's punctuality or attendance.

### Extended Leave

You may have heard over the weekend that the government is cracking down on persistence absence and extended leave. Please note that Mrs. Holgate does not authorise leave in term time unless it is judged to be in exceptional circumstances. As per previous letters sent to parents and carers, Barden Primary School is taking part in a trial where **leave of 15 days of more will not incur a fine, but the case will go straight to prosecution.**

## Love to Learn Sessions! Come and join in with your child's learning!

We are excited to invite you to a 'Love to Learn' session with your child. The sessions will be 45 minutes long and are intended to provide you with the opportunity to see what happens in school and enjoy time learning with your child. You will get to experience fun activities within the lesson, linked to the work your children are doing in school, as well as an opportunity to view their books and talk about what they have done so far this year.

A maximum of 2 adults will be allowed to attend per child.

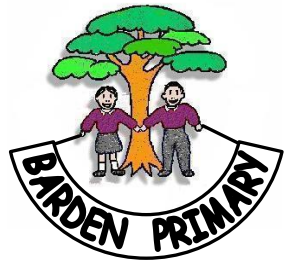
Please find the date and time of the session for your child's class in the table below.

CLASS	DATE	TIME	CLASS	DATE	TIME
<b>Year 1</b>			<b>Year 4</b>		
Sparrows	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15-2pm	Woodpeckers	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15-2pm
Robins	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15- 3pm	Kingfishers	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15- 3pm
<b>Year 2</b>			<b>Year 5</b>		
Swallows	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00-9.45am	Jays	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15-2pm
Wagtails	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15-2pm	Puffins	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15- 3pm
Goldfinches	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15- 3pm	<b>Year 6</b>		
<b>Year 3</b>			Eagles	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15-2pm
Doves	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	1.15-2pm	Kestrels	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15- 3pm
Skylarks	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15- 3pm			

If you would like to join this event, tickets must be booked online via [www.ticketsource.co.uk/barden-primary-school](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/barden-primary-school).

## Upcoming Diary Dates

DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 8.50am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
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. Check your dates and times!!



# 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.



Cygnets

We have had a super week in Cygnets class! To celebrate World Book Day this week we have been exploring different stories. The children loved listening to Goldilocks and the Three Bears where we explored the story through sensory play including making porridge. We also had a visit from a farm where the children were able to meet different animals.



R- Eaglets

What a fun and busy week we have had in Eaglets! We loved our visit from author and illustrator Stephen Waterhouse, we enjoyed creating illustrations with him. We enjoyed the visit from the farm animals, it was fun touching them and learning interesting facts about them. Eaglets loved taking part in World Book Day and showing off their amazing costumes in the WBD parade.



1- Sparrows

We have had a brilliant week in the Sparrows. We had a great time learning about different illustrations with Stephen Waterhouse. The children loved taking part in World Book Day and looked amazing in their costumes. The children have been working hard in English and Maths all week, applying themselves really well. The children also enjoyed their Jar of Joy on Friday!



2 - Goldfinches

Goldfinches have had a fantastic week this week. In English, we have written our own farm stories. Then during our exciting World Book Day, we were able to turn our stories into our own picture books using some of the skills we learnt on Monday from our illustrator visitor. In Maths, we have started to look at our new topic of money.



3- Doves

Doves have had a great week this week. We really enjoyed our visit from author Stephen Waterhouse where we learned all about illustration and had a go at drawing our own characters! We have also started our new science unit this week, learning all about the parts of a plant. We even planted our own plants and we will watch how they grow over the next few weeks! Well done Doves!



4- Kingfishers

This week Kingfishers have started working on fractions in Maths. In our English lessons, we have been writing amazing character and setting descriptions based on, "The Firework Maker's Daughter." The children have been drawing excellent motifs in the style of William Morris in art. In Science, we have looked at how sound travels.



5- Jays

This week Jays have had another great week working hard! We have started a new topic in Maths – decimals and percentages, and everyone is doing brilliantly so far. In English, we have written some spooky descriptions of the Jabberwocky and are now starting to look at how to write persuasively. We are really enjoying our art lessons and have been practising our calligraphy.



6- Kestrels

This week we have been busy exploring Romeo and Juliet in English and their feelings and thoughts throughout the opening scenes. We had lots of fun on World Book Day we had some fantastic costumes in year 6. It was lovely to see all the parents in school for our love to learn session too. In science we have started our unit on light and have started to explore how light travels.

# Barden EYFS - Eaglets and Owlets classes

- Mystery Reader - **Owlets and Eaglets Class** - click on the link to find out more and sign up to be a mystery reader. [Click Here](#)

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March - EYFS Visit to the local mosque.



- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March or Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Love to Learn Magic Maths Session - 8:40 - 9:40. - Join your child for Magic Maths and Wake up and Walk! Book your session - Please sign up [www.ticketsource.co.uk/barden-primary-school](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/barden-primary-school)
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March - A Visit to a local church.

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**FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & MEALS**  
For children eligible for benefits  
related free school meals.

Take part in sport, music, drama, art, cooking and  
much more during the Easter 2024 holidays.

Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.  
Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain  
confidence and get involved!

Find out more at [www.burnleyhaf.org.uk](http://www.burnleyhaf.org.uk)

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