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Barden Primary School
Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge well done to our Key Stage 1 pupils this week for their fantastic performances of the Nativity. They were excellent. Thank you to parents and carers that were able to attend.

Also well done to all classes for their Jingle and Mingle sessions. I hope that parents/carers enjoyed their time in school. Thank you for your continued support.

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.

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DATES:

School closes for the Christmas break after school on Friday 19th December at 3.05pm.
School reopens on Monday 5th January 2026.

**Attendance for Last Week
w/c 01/12/2025**

Eaglets	92.63%
Owlets	88.75%
Chicks	96.11%
Robins	92.63%
Sparrows	89.31%
Swallows	97.59%
Wagtails	96.21%
Blackbirds	93.87%
Skylarks	97.10%
Doves	91.03%
Kingfishers	97.93%
Woodpeckers	98.71%
Puffins	89.09%
Jays	95.00%
Kestrels	94.38%
Eagles	95.94%
The Nest	88.05%
Pipits	84.00%

Overall school attendance was **93.81%**.
Congratulations to **Woodpeckers** who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!

Badge Winners this Week

Class	Badge Winners
EYFS	Habibah A, Fatima Z, Belle-Rae T, Aditi A
Sparrows	Talal A, Zaynab A
Robins	Ayat A, Burhan A
Swallows	Ahyaan Z, Mariyam A
Wagtails	Jemima H, Adam K
Doves	Joud A, Zayaan N
Skylarks	Suhana K, Zara K
Blackbirds	Abdurrehman H, Hoorain M
Woodpeckers	Aizah N, Chioma N
Kingfishers	Aoun S A, Ahmed R R
Jays	Veda N, Arooba A
Puffins	Haania B, Aliyan S
Eagles	Abu Bakr Y, Lihon W
Kestrels	Aliza Z, Marius T
The Nest	-
Pipits	Salahuddin A

Winning Team - **WATER**



BRONZE Award - Jemima H
SILVER Award - Arooba A

Gold Award Certificate - Ajwa A, Muhammad-Hadi A, Munachimso N, Amna N, Ayaan K, Carly H, Lexi H D



Congratulations!

Following Mr Coombs' promotion to Deputy Headteacher at Barden, I am pleased to announce that, following a rigorous recruitment process, Mr Holland has been appointed as our new Assistant Headteacher.

This is a fantastic achievement for Mr Holland, who has also recently completed his National Professional Qualification in Senior Leadership, and I am sure you will join us at Barden in congratulating him on his promotion.



The children in Key Stage 1 really enjoyed their Christmas production of the Fleece Force! The children and the staff put a lot of practice into producing a wonderful show that will live long in the memory. Well done to all everyone in Key Stage 1.



Upcoming Diary Dates



DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 8.50am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
Tuesday 16 th December	Reading Tea Party EYFS Parent Learn Together Group
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Party Lunch Christmas Parties
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Dinner for pupils and staff
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term- Happy Holidays!
Monday 5 th January	All children back in school
Tuesday 6 th January	EYFS Parent Learn Together Group



ESOL Classes



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from 6th January 2026

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Doves class had a fantastic time at the Metal Elf Dash in Queens Park. Singing Christmas songs and dashing around the park, they filled the event with festive spirit and laughter. It was a joyful way to celebrate the season, stay active and enjoy time together as a year group.



Cygnets have been learning new Christmas words – bauble, hat, tinsel, stocking and Santa during our Core Word sessions. We have also been reading 'The Stickman' by Julia Donaldson, have made our own stickmen with playdough and have been using sticks to paint! On Wednesday, we had our Jingle and Mingle. We sang a song about Santa and made playdough snowmen with our parents. We all had a fantastic time!



Cygnets

Nest



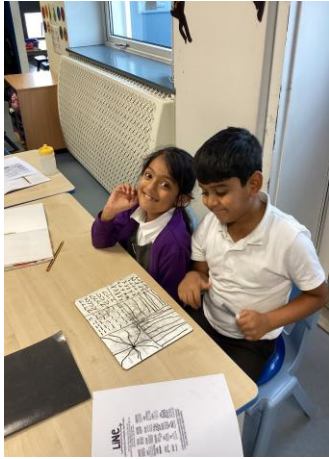
Swans



On Wednesday we had our Jingle and Mingle event. We performed 'Away in a Manger' and then made some Christmas tree decorations. We had a great time!



Swans have been enjoying some Christmas themed attention autism sessions! Today, we designed a Christmas tree using different shapes.

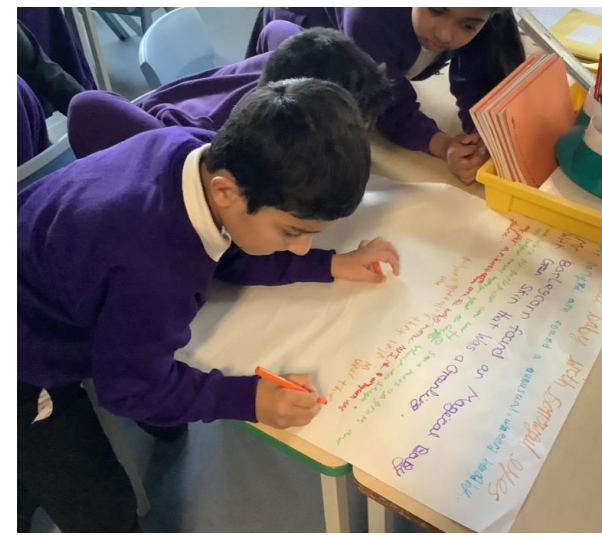


Doves

Year 3

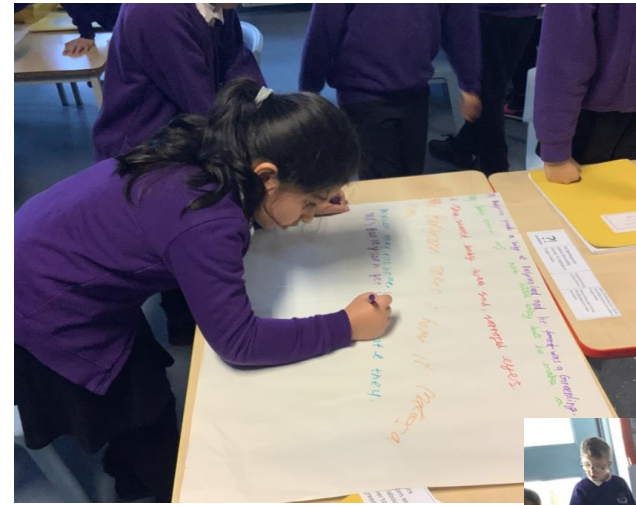


Skylarks



Over the last couple of weeks, we have been developing our line making and colour mixing skills in Art. In English, we have been learning how to use inverted commas.

We loved our Jingle and Mingle on Monday too!



We enjoyed our rainbow write for our folk tale story!



We have been making cave paintings in art based on the Stone Age.



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Thursday 25 December

Friday 26 December

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from Saturday 3 January.**

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Magic Philip Fun Show

Monday 22nd December 2025 2.00-3.30pm

Any age group

Burnley Campus Library

Unwrap the wonder – join Magic Philip's festive extravaganza

Not to be missed!!!



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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