



Respect Acceptance Ambition Resilience

Barden Primary School
Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and New Year from all of us at Barden Primary School.

Thank you as always to our parent/carer community for your support throughout the year. I hope that you enjoy a lovely break with family and friends.

School reopens on Monday 5th January.

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. School reopens on Monday 5th January 2026.

Attendance for Last Week w/c 08/12/2025

Eaglets	95.79%
Owlets	87.50%
Chicks	96.11%
Robins	90.36%
Sparrows	96.21%
Swallows	95.52%
Wagtails	95.52%
Doves	95.86%
Skylarks	93.23%
Woodpeckers	92.58%
Blackbirds	94.84%
Kingfishers	95.86%
Jays	94.48%
Puffins	88.18%
Eagles	94.69%
Kestrels	94.06%
The Nest	87.50%
Pipits	80.00%

Overall school attendance was **93.35%**. Congratulations to **Sparrows** who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!

To all our Barden community, wishing you a lovely Christmas break. With warm regards from everybody at Barden Primary School



Goodbye from Mr. Cooper.

Please click on the link below.



<https://www.barden.lancs.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1305&type=pdf>



Father Christmas has bought the reception children a brand new toothbrush!
Don't forget to give those teeth a brush after lunch as we won't be in school to do it.

Don't forget -

- A pea sized amount
- Brush each tooth in a circular movement, not forgetting back and front.
- Brush for 2 minutes.
- Spit the toothpaste out at the end but do not rinse!

Happy brushing everyone!



Upcoming Diary Dates



DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 8.50am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
Monday 5 th January	All children back in school Sportscool- Promo for after school club- Year 5&6
Tuesday 6 th January	EYFS Parent Learn Together Group
Tuesday 13th January	Parent drop in with Yas-Community Senior Family Support Worker (8.45-9.45am) EYFS Parent Learn Together Group
Friday 16th January	World Religion Day
Tuesday 20 th January	EYFS Parent Learn Together Group



Meet the New School Nurse

Gabrielle will be visiting Barden on Thursday 22nd January and Monday 9th February to meet with parents face to face. Both visits will be 9-10 am.

If you wish to make an appointment to see Gabrielle please email Mr D on sdowling@barden.lancs.sch.uk



You will be able to discuss any health concerns you have for your children.



Sports



This week, we held our first inter-house competition at Barden. Inter-house events are an important part of school life as they encourage teamwork, build a sense of belonging and promote healthy competition across our house teams. The pupils demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout the event, supporting one another and playing fairly. The dodgeball matches were a highlight, with lots of energy, enthusiasm and smiles all around. It was a great time for everyone involved.



The elves were up to mischief again! We found a message and went to the evergreen tree. We found our cuddly elf and some candy canes!



Owlets

Reception



Eaglets



Chicks

We had a delicious Christmas lunch!



Santa came to visit us with presents!



We had a Christmas party!





Kestrels

Y6



Eagles

They enjoyed a feast during the party- thank you to everyone that made food for the children to enjoy. It was delicious!



The pupils in Year 6 have had an amazing first term. They have worked so hard and the progress they have made is clear to see. This week they have enjoyed creating their air raid shelters in DT, danced the afternoon away in their Christmas parties and put professional dodgeball players to shame with their skills during the inter-dodgeball competition.



Musical chairs became VERY competitive!



School Health Drop-In

Lancs 0-19 Service



Your School Nursing Team can support with the following:

Healthy Living/Lifestyles

Bladder and Bowel Support

Low Level Emotional Wellbeing

Weight Management

Diet/Fussy Eating

Sleep and bedtime routine

How can I access the School Nursing Service?

Qualified

Our Nurses are all Trained Registered Nurses. Follow up after the appointment, maybe provided by our Healthy Family Support Workers.

Confidential

Your Contact with the School Health Team will be delivered in a confidential room on a one-to-one basis.

Non-Judgemental

We provide a non-judgemental approach. Please do not hesitate to ask questions regarding your child's health. **Please note we cannot prescribe or diagnose a health condition.**

Health Prevention

We are here to help with your child/children's Health, if we are unable to provide support, we will find the appropriate support/service.

Email: vcl.019.singlepointofaccess2@nhs.net

Website: www.lancschildandfamily.co.uk

Telephone: 0300 247 0040

Our service is available Monday – Friday
between the hours 0900 - 1700



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