



Dear Parents/Carers,  
 We celebrated an amazing World Book Day in school this week. Thank you to Miss Barker, the teachers and all our parents and carers for making this wonderful day so special.  
 We also engaged with Science Workshops in recognition of British Science Week. This was an incredible opportunity to engage children in the wonders and knowledge of Science. The children really enjoyed it.  
*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.  
**01282 226777**

**DATES: School will close for the Easter holidays after school on Friday 27th March and will re-open on Monday 13th April at 8.35am.**

**Attendance for Last Week  
w/c 23/02/2026**

Eaglets	98.95%
Owlets	96.67%
Chicks	98.42%
<b>Robins</b>	<b>99.29%</b>
Sparrows	96.33%
Swallows	98.28%
Wagtails	98.97%
Blackbirds	99.03%
Skylarks	97.00%
Doves	98.21%
Kingfishers	97.59%
Woodpeckers	96.77%
Puffins	94.24%
Jays	96.97%
Kestrels	98.13%
Eagles	95.63%
The Nest	76.16%
Pipits	82.86%

Our school attendance target is 96% and the overall school attendance was **96.60%**. Congratulations to **Robins** who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!



**Is your child seeking or has an autism diagnosis?**

**Do you live in East Lancashire or Blackburn with Darwen?**

**Is your child/children under 25 years old?**

**Are you a parent/carer looking for information, advice and support?**

**Come along to our:**

- Parent Support Group
- Autism Awareness Sessions and workshops
- Cygnet Course
- Social Activities (for families, young people, siblings)
- Emotional Health and Well Being sessions



**MAKE A REFERRAL**

**For more information:**  
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**Uniform Reminder**

A polite reminder that children are expected to wear school shoes and not trainers as part of our uniform policy. Children can bring trainers to change into for playtime and they also have a pair of wellies to use when they play on the field. **Also, children are not permitted to wear earrings or jewellery of any kind for Health and Safety reasons.** Thank you for your co-operation with this, Mrs Holgate

**WORLD BOOK DAY 2026**

The children had an amazing day celebrating World Book Day on Thursday and going on our genre journey.



## Upcoming Diary Dates



DATE	EVENT
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Science week Year 6 Fundraising Event
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Dance Competition EYFS Phonics Parent Join in session EYFS Parent Learn Together Group
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS - Emily's mini petting farm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS Phonics Parent join in session Year 6 Barden Iftar
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Swallows Class Assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ coffee and cake
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Wagtails Class Assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ coffee and cake Reading Tea Party Reports sent home
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS Mother's Day Cake and Chat Last day of term



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Only my best is good enough for me

 Lancashire  
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# Sports

## Year 5 & 6 Multi-skills Event

Year 5 and 6 pupils recently took part in a fantastic multi-skills event. The children participated in a range of activities including cricket, basketball and relay races.

Throughout the event, our pupils demonstrated great teamwork, determination and enthusiasm. It was brilliant to see everyone encouraging their teammates and giving their best effort in every activity.

Well done to all children who represented our school so positively and well done to Ayaan for winning a special for his amazing skills!



Owlets have been very busy this week!!



We have been making animal homes



We have been planting potatoes!



We watched the BIG BAD WOLF!



Owlets

# Reception

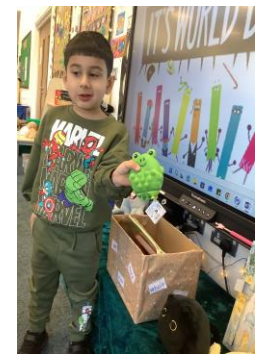


Eaglets



Chicks

We celebrated World Book Day 2026



We have really enjoyed our last World Book Day at Barden, exploring all about the mystery, graphic and cultural genres. We had some super costumes in Year 6.



**Kestrels**

**Y6**

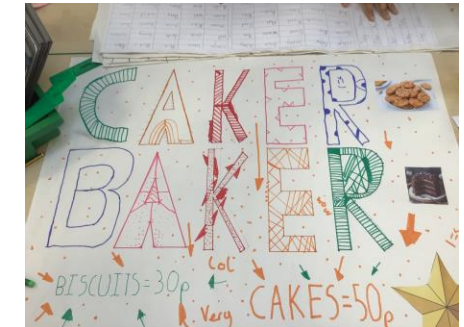


**Eagles**

In English, we have been transforming direct speech into reported speech by becoming news reporters and interviewing local residents about ghost sightings at Grimstone Hall.

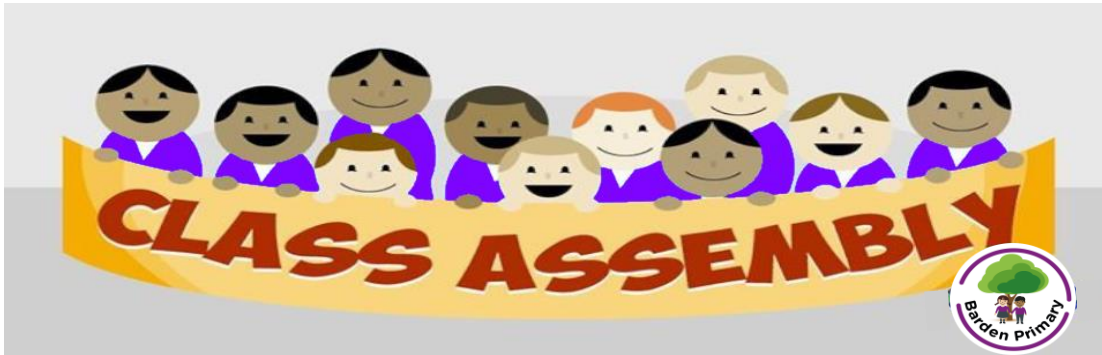


We have been getting ready for our Iftar fundraiser and would really appreciate your support by bringing in any loose change you can spare.



In P.E. we have started our Hockey unit, we have been able to get outside to do our P.E. this week as the weather is starting to improve. We have seen some great dribbling and passing using the hockey stick.





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
<del>Wednesday 1st October 2025</del>	Jays
<del>9th October 2025</del>	Puffins
<del>23rd October 2025</del>	Kingfishers
<del>Wednesday 12th November 2025</del>	Blackbirds
<del>Wednesday 19th November 2025</del>	Woodpeckers
<del>Wednesday 28th January 2026</del>	Eagles
<del>5th February 2026</del>	Doves
Thursday 12th March 2026	Skylarks
Wednesday 25th March 2026	Swallows
Thursday 26th March 2026	Wagtails
Thursday 30th April 2026	Sparrows
Wednesday 6th May 2026	Robins
Thursday 21st May 2026	Kestrels
Thursday 18th June 2026	Owlets
Thursday 25th June 2026	Eaglets
Thursday 2nd July 2026	Chicks