



Respect Acceptance Ambition Resilience



Barden Primary School

Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parents/Carers,

Eid Mubarak to all our Muslim families. I hope you enjoy a wonderful time celebrating with friends and loved ones.

Thank you to everybody for your contributions for our Iftar celebration. Year 6 raised an incredible £1,400. We cannot believe it. Thank you to parents and carers for your amazing generosity. Have a lovely weekend.

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 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 10/03/2026**

Eaglets	96.05%
Owlets	98.59%
Chicks	97.76%
Robins	98.30%
Sparrows	96.64%
Swallows	96.90%
Wagtails	97.93%
Skylarks	96.50%
Doves	97.89%
Blackbirds	97.90%
Kingfishers	97.67%
Woodpeckers	97.02%
Puffins	95.61%
Jays	96.44%
Kestrels	98.59%
Eagles	97.66%
The Nest	85.05%
Pipits	88.13%

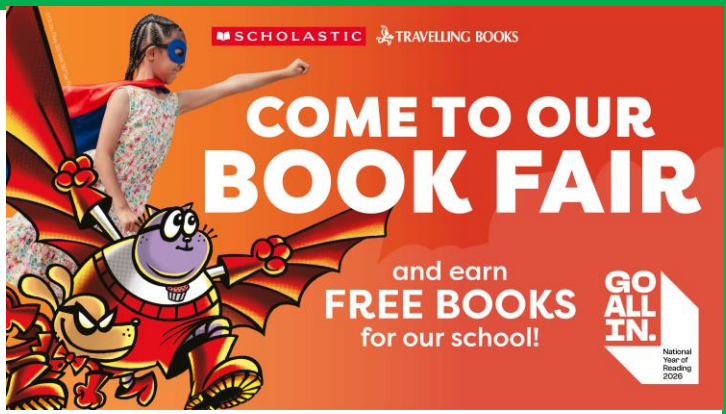
Overall school attendance was **96.79%**. Congratulations to **Owlets & Kestrels** who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!




Eid Party

Our school's Eid Party will be on the afternoon of Monday 23rd March. Children are welcome to come to school in party clothes. Also, children are welcome to bring in traditional food, drinks or snacks. Please note that school is a nut free school.





The Book Fair is coming to Barden! 
 Join us from Wednesday 18th March to Tuesday 23rd March, from 3:10 to 3:40, in the school hall to browse a wide selection of books for all ages! You can pay by cash, card or via the QR code. Children can also use their World Book Day vouchers to get a discount!



EASTER ACTIVITY DAYS AT ST PETER'S LEISURE CENTRE!

Looking for something fun and active for children to do this Easter? Join us for our exciting Activity Days, packed full of adventure, teamwork, and fun!

Week 1: Monday 30th March – Thursday 2nd April

Week 2: Tuesday 7th April – Friday 10th April
 8.30am – 3.30pm
 £20 per day

Each day will be full of exciting activities including:
 Archery
 Curling
 Swimming
 Team building games
 ...and much more!

It's the perfect way to keep children active, make new friends and try something different over the Easter break.

To book or for more information, please contact: spilling@blcgroup.co.uk
 Spaces are limited – get in touch to secure your place!



Upcoming Diary Dates



DATE	EVENT
Monday 23 rd March	Eid celebrations in the afternoon
Wednesday 25 th March	Swallows Class Assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ coffee and cake Jays at BYT (Linking Project)
Thursday 26 th March	Wagtails Class Assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ coffee and cake Easter Parade Reports sent home
Friday 27 th March	EYFS Mother's Day Cake and Chat Last day of term
Monday 13 th April	Welcome back to the Summer Term Year 4 Turton Tower Trip
Tuesday 14 th April	EYFS Parent Learn Together Year 4 Turton Tower Trip
Monday 20 th April	Year 6 Mocks Week
Tuesday 21 st April	Parent information/ drop in session with YAS EYFS Parent Learn Together Group

Barden Food For Life and Gardening Update

After a long winter break the Barden gardeners are looking forward to a fruitful spring and summer. In February we sowed chillies, tomatoes, sweetcorn, sweet peppers, peas, and broad beans. These have all been germinated in propagators and with the help of heat mats.



We have also **chitted** our potatoes and will soon be planting them out.



The garden has needed a lot of maintenance and the team have really got stuck in.



We look forward to sharing further updates after Easter.



Sports



This week, some children in Year 6 attended Active 60, where they took part in a range of activities including rugby, active games, golf, and netball. It was great to see their enthusiasm and teamwork throughout.

Well done to all the children who took part for their effort and positive attitude.

A special well done to Ayaan, who was awarded the School Games badge for his perseverance and for never giving up—an excellent achievement!



This week, children from Year 5 and Year 6 took part in a 2.5km Cross Country course at Towneley Park. The pupils showed great determination and resilience as they tackled the challenging route. Well done to all the children who participated and represented the school so positively—we are very proud of your efforts!



This week, KS2 girls took part in a football session where they developed their skills before playing mini matches. The girls showed fantastic teamwork and enthusiasm, scoring an incredible total of 41 goals! Well done to all the children who took part. A special well done to Lucy, who was awarded the School Games badge for her determination—an excellent achievement!

In Maths, we have been measuring in metres.



Wagtails



Year 2



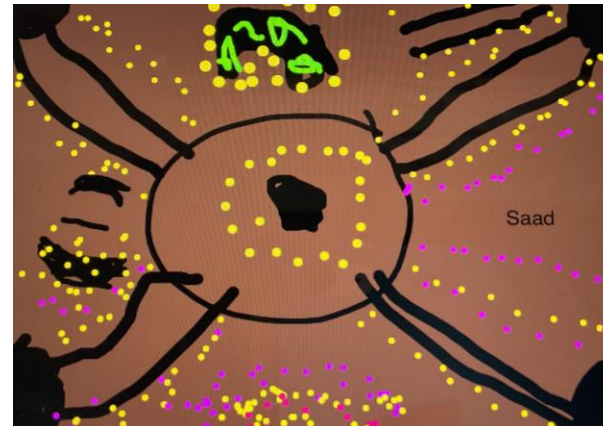
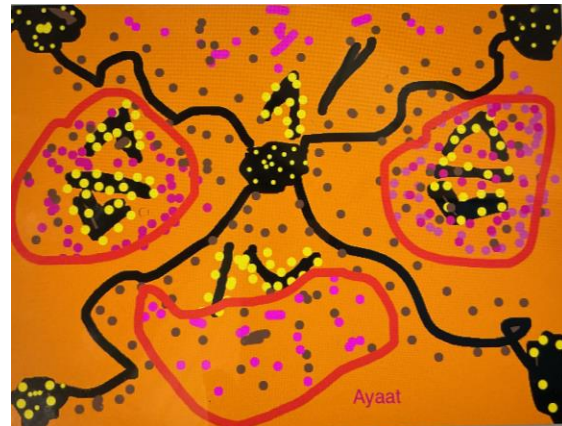
Swallows



In computing, we have been collecting data and making pictograms using the 'branch' app.



We have really enjoyed creating aboriginal artwork digitally. We think our artwork looks great.





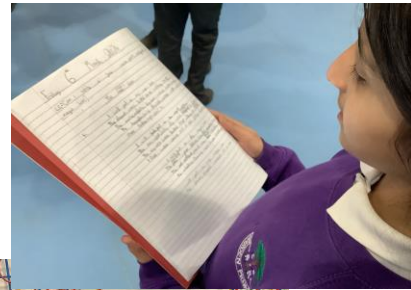
Year 4



Woodpeckers



Kingfishers



World Book Day was amazing in the Kingfishers class. Children learned about different genres and had lots of fun!



Blackbirds

Year 4 Poetry Slam after weeks of hardwork, we finally finished our poems based on The Magic Box and shared them with our peers and a few special guests in our very own poetry slam!



We loved celebrating World Book Day by dressing up as our favourite book characters and bringing stories to life around the classroom. Excitement filled the air as we opened our three mystery boxes, each packed with intriguing clues about different book genres we had been learning about.



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
Wednesday 28th January 2026	Eagles
5th February 2026	Doves
12th March 2026	Skylarks
Wednesday 25th March 2026	Swallows
Thursday 26th March 2026	Wagtails
30th April 2026	Sparrows
Wednesday 6th May 2026	Robins
21st May 2026	Kestrels
18th June 2026	Owlets
25th June 2026	Eaglets
2nd July 2026	Chicks