



Friday 18th  
September 2026



Respect

Acceptance

Ambition

Resilience



# Barden Primary School

Only my best is good enough for me



Dear Parents/Carers,

Children have settled back into school life really well, and have quickly reconnected with routines, friendships and the rhythm of the day. Our classrooms feel calm, purposeful and happy, and staff have been really impressed with how confidently children have returned. I have also made a few small updates to how we manage allergies in line with the new national guidance, just to strengthen our existing practice and ensure everything is as safe and consistent as possible. I'll share these changes with families in a separate letter so everyone knows exactly what this looks like in school.

*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 be closed on Friday 23rd October 2026 and will reopen on Monday 2nd November from 8.35am.

## Attendance for Last Week w/c 07/09/2026

|             |        |
|-------------|--------|
| Eaglets     | 97.71% |
| Owlets      | 98.29% |
| Chicks      | 96.47% |
| Robins      | 96.30% |
| Sparrows    | 97.50% |
| Swallows    | 95.00% |
| Wagtails    | 95.56% |
| Blackbirds  | 96.33% |
| Skylarks    | 94.48% |
| Doves       | 98.28% |
| Starlings   | 96.00% |
| Woodpeckers | 99.68% |
| Puffins     | 98.97% |
| Jays        | 92.41% |
| Kestrels    | 99.39% |
| Eagles      | 99.03% |
| The Nest    | 67.83% |
| Pipits      | 82.50% |

Overall school attendance was **95.97%**. Congratulations to **Woodpeckers** who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!

## Badge Winners this Week

| Class       | Badge Winners          |
|-------------|------------------------|
| Sparrows    | Fatima Z, Caleb I      |
| Robins      | Haaris K, Manha T      |
| Swallows    | Muhammad I, Haram H    |
| Wagtails    | Zaynab A, Amaan A      |
| Doves       | Saad M, Aliyar S       |
| Skylarks    | Musa K, Anum F         |
| Blackbirds  | Ayyub K, Zayaan N      |
| Woodpeckers | Aryaan S, Mahbub H     |
| Starlings   | Aizah N, Donika H      |
| Jays        | Jayden O, Ayoub K      |
| Puffins     | Azan K, Eleen A        |
| Eagles      | Wisam A, Arooba A      |
| Kestrels    | Muhammed A, Mohammed U |
| The Nest    | Delilah S              |

Winning Team - **Water & Earth**



**BRONZE Award - Muhammad I, Haram H**

**SILVER Award - Azan K, Fatimah S, Mohammed A, Aminah S, Mohammed I, Ayaan J**

**GOLD Award - Zahra A**

## Year 6 High School Open Events 2026

### Why visit an open event?

Open events give families the opportunity to see a school in person, explore facilities, meet staff and students, learn about the curriculum and extra-curricular activities, and ask questions to help make an informed choice about the next stage of education

### YEAR 6 PARENTS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

#### Year 6 High School Open Events 2026

| School                             | Date                       | Time           |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Unity College                      | Thursday 1 October 2026    | 5:30pm–7:30pm  |
| Blessed Trinity RC College         | Thursday 8 October 2026    | 6:00pm–8:00pm  |
| Shuttleworth College               | Thursday 24 September 2026 | Open Evening   |
| Burnley High School                | Saturday 17 October 2026   | 9:30am–12:30pm |
| Sir John Thursby Community College | Thursday 15 October 2026   | 5:00pm–7:00pm  |
| Olive High Boys                    | Friday 9 October 2026      | 4:00pm–7:00pm  |
| Olive High Girls                   | Friday 16 October 2026     | 4:00pm–7:00pm  |

Tempest photography in school -  
CANCELLED



### Year 6 Parents

Please see the open days (to the left) of some of our local secondary schools.

Open Evenings are a great opportunity to look round schools to see which school offers you the very best fit for your child.

If you need any further advice, please visit the school websites or ask one of our Barden staff members to help.



## Upcoming Diary Dates



| DATE                   | EVENT                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Every Friday @ 8.50am  | Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.                                                                                                   |
| Tuesday 22nd September | KS2 Fun Run                                                                                                                                                              |
| Tuesday 29th September | EYFS early maths meeting for parents<br>Year3/4 Active 60 Festival                                                                                                       |
| Monday 5th October     | Black History Month                                                                                                                                                      |
| Tuesday 6th October    | KS1 Animal Olympics                                                                                                                                                      |
| Thursday 8th October   | Starlings class assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ cake and a book look in the classroom.                                                                                 |
| Thursday 15th October  | Puffins class assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ cake and a book look in the classroom.<br>Reading Tea Party                                                              |
| Wednesday 21st October | EYFS/ Year 6 Heights and Weights                                                                                                                                         |
| Thursday 22nd October  | Jays class assembly @8.50am followed by tea/ cake and a book look in the classroom.<br>EYFS- Dress up as a superhero<br>School closes at 3.05pm for half- term holidays. |
| Friday 23rd October    | INSET Day-school closed to pupils                                                                                                                                        |

FREE  
EVENT

## WARM Matters Burnley

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 10:30 - 14:30

Down Town, Charter Walk Shopping Centre  
(above New Look) BB11 1QJ

Local organisations helping you to  
stay safe, warm and well this winter

We've got FREE:

- ★ Hot Drinks
- ★ Hot Soup
- ★ Prize Draw
- ★ Giveaways
- ★ Help & Advice



AND  
MORE!

Drop-in for free. No booking needed.

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IN LANCASHIRE

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# BURNLEY NETBALL CLUB

Be Active  
Be Confident  
Be Part of  
the Future! ♥

## WE ARE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR NEW MEMBERS YEARS 1-4

Girls and Boys  
Welcome! ♥

ENJOY YOUR FIRST  
SESSION FOR FREE!



FUN  
GAMES



BASIC  
SKILLS



MAKE NEW  
FRIENDSHIPS



BUILD  
CONFIDENCE

Learn  
New Skills  
and Enjoy  
Sport! ♥



### SESSION DAY & TIMES

SATURDAYS



9.15 – 10.30 am  
School Years 7, 8 & 9



10.30 – 12.00 pm  
Years 10 and up



12.00 – 1.15 pm  
Years 5 & 6



1.15 – 2.15 pm  
Years 1 – 4



VENUE: BURNLEY COLLEGE,  
EVOLUTION FITNESS



INTERESTED?

PLEASE CONTACT:

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We can't wait to  
meet you! ♥

BE ACTIVE ♥ BE CONFIDENT ♥ BE PART OF THE FUTURE! ♥