Friday 27th November 2026

Respect Acceptance Ambition Resilience

Barden Primary School

Only my best is good enough for me

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was a pleasure to watch Eagles Class share their learning about British Values so confidently during their class assembly this week. The children represented themselves and the school brilliantly, and we are very proud of their efforts. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came along to support them. Your encouragement means a great deal and helps make these occasions so special.

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 after school on Friday 18th December 2026 and will reopen on Monday 4th January 2027 from 8.35am.

Attendance for Last Week w/c 16/11/2026

Eaglets	92.78%
Owlets	85.41%
Chicks	93.68%
Robins	77.24%
Sparrows	91.03%
Swallows	94.14%
Wagtails	96.07%
Blackbirds	95.67%
Skylarks	98.97%
Doves	97.10%
Starlings	94.67%
Woodpeckers	99.33%
Puffins	95.17%
Jays	99.31%
Kestrels	97.27%
Eagles	95.16%
The Nest	86.28%
Pipits	58.46%

Overall school attendance was 93.83%. Congratulations to Woodpeckers who had the highest attendance last week. Well Done!

Badge Winners this Week

Class	Badge Winners
EYFS	Faizan M, Zainab A, Aiyla N H, Uhunoma O
Sparrows	Ubaid U, Muhammed Z
Robins	Isra K, Zayaan M
Swallows	Dua A, Saleha A
Wagtails	Mal Elsham A, Aisha M
Doves	Muhammad A B, Asher M I
Skylarks	Muhammad H, Farhan Y
Blackbirds	Afnan I A, Karma N A
Woodpeckers	Sabriha R, Bisma A
Starlings	Aoun S A, Fajjar Z
Jays	Hasanat K, Ayoub K
Puffins	Mariyam T, Hassan K
Eagles	Huzaifa H, Musa N
Kestrels	Maria S, Muhammed A
The Nest	-
Pipits	Ibraheem

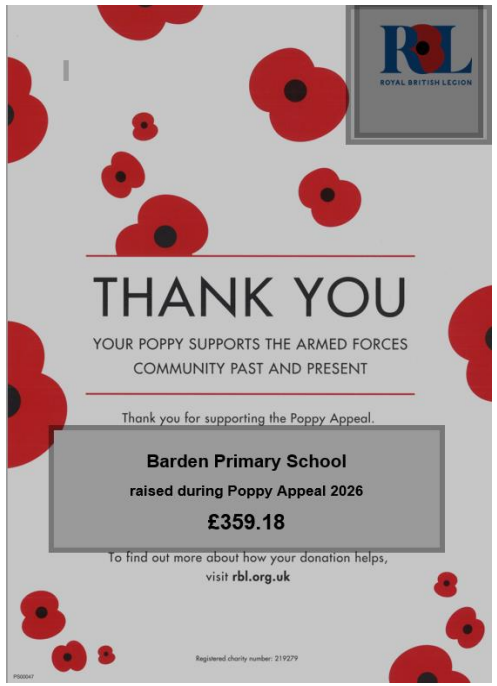
Winning Team – WATER

BRONZE Award – Aisha M, Dua A, Saleha A, Mal Elsham A

SILVER Award – Jaanzaib O, Hassan K



Thank you to everyone who supported our Poppy Appeal. We are delighted to have raised £359.18 for the Royal British Legion. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated.
🌺 Lest we forget



The children had a wonderful time watching *Aladdin* and they were thoroughly entertained from start to finish. There was plenty of laughter, audience participation and excitement, making it a truly memorable festive experience for everyone.







Upcoming Diary Dates

DATE	EVENT
Every Friday @ 8.50am	Celebration Assembly. You will be invited by a text message to attend.
Tuesday 1st December	Santa Dash Blackbirds DT Trip Cook and Play
Wednesday 3rd December	Sleep Assembly for pupils
Thursday 3rd December	KS1 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 8h December	Year 5 Jingle and Mingle
Wednesday 9th December	The Nest, Pipits, Year 6 Jingle and Mingle
Thursday 10th December	Reading Tea Party Year 3 Jingle and Mingle Whole school Christmas dinner Christmas jumper day
Monday 14th December	EYFS/Key Stage 1 & The Nest/Pipits Christmas Party Afternoons
Tuesday 15th December	EYFS Jingle and Mingle Cook and Play
Wednesday 16th December	Christmas Party Lunch for pupils Christmas Party Afternoons for Key Stage 2 Year 4 Jingle and Mingle

NHS
Lancashire & South Cumbria
NHS Foundation Trust

East Lancashire Young People's Mental Health

Concerned about your Mental Health? Are you under 18 or concerned about someone under 18?

Advice sessions are available on-line via 'Attend Anywhere' Delivered by CYPMH East

tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT

Enter the word "CYPMH East" as the first name and "drop in" as the second name followed by your date of birth. You will then enter our virtual waiting area where we will collect you.

Wednesday 2nd December 2026	1pm – 3pm
Wednesday 9th December 2026	3pm – 5pm
Wednesday 16th December 2026	5pm – 7pm
Wednesday 23rd December 2026	1pm – 3pm





It's been a busy couple of weeks of football at Barden! Our Year 5/6 team put in some fantastic performances at the qualifiers, finishing with a brilliant clean sheet and not conceding a single goal!

Our girls' team also battled their way through to the finals, alongside a joint Barden and Cliviger team. The girls played brilliantly at the finals, narrowly missing out on a place at the School Games, with the result coming down to goals conceded.

We are incredibly proud of everyone who has represented Barden, showing fantastic teamwork, resilience, ambition and respect. Well done, everyone! ⚽ 👏









Our Barden dancers took to the stage at Burnley's Got a Dance and did us incredibly proud! After weeks of hard work, dedication and rehearsals, the children delivered a fantastic performance full of energy, confidence and enthusiasm. It was wonderful to see them showcase their talents and perform in front of such a big audience. They demonstrated brilliant teamwork, resilience and ambition, supporting one another and giving it their all right until the end. A huge well done to all of our dancers, you were amazing and represented Barden brilliantly! 💃🌟







Reception NEWS

Owlets



We went on a magic adventure, we learnt how to fly broomsticks!



We used our magic wands to put magic on the evergreen tree. Look what appeared!!



We took the fairy objects back to the class I wonder what might happen next!!!







Chicks



This week, the children have enjoyed getting creative with clay to make their very own Christmas trees. They explored different techniques, including rolling, flattening, shaping and cutting the clay.







Eaglets









A magical adventure! We went broomstick flying and discovered a tiny fairy door near the evergreen tree.

Y6 NEWS

This week in Art Week, Kestrels class has been working hard to make their own stained-glass windows using colourful cellophane. We were given Day 16 Jesus the greatest gift of all.



Kestrels



Eagles

We have been busy celebrating Art Week! Eagles created beautiful baubles inspired by our theme of gratitude, using geometric patterns and illustrations to show what they are thankful for.





In Art, we have explored the work of the artist Kara Walker and created our own striking silhouettes of mountains .



Year 6 welcomed Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service into school! We learnt all about fire safety, what to do in an emergency and how to stay safe on the roads, particularly during the darker evenings. The firefighters shared some valuable safety tips, and the children showed great curiosity by asking some interesting and thoughtful questions.

Parent Christmas Events 2026

Year Group	Activity	Date	Time
KS1 (Y1 and Y2)	Special Christmas Production	Thursday 3rd December 2026 (03.12.26)	SHOW 1 (AM) - 9:15-10:15am SHOW 2 (PM) - 1:45-2:45pm
Year 5	Jingle & Mingle Workshop	Tuesday 8th December 2026 (08.12.26)	Jays – 8.50-9.35am Puffins - 1.15- 2pm Starlings – 2.15 - 3.00pm
Year 6	Jingle & Mingle Workshop	Wednesday 9th December 2026 (09.12.26)	Kestrels 8.50 - 9.35am Eagles – 2.15 - 3.00pm
The Nest & Pipits	Jingle & Mingle Workshop (In the Nest Hall)	Wednesday 9th December 2026 (09.12.26)	Nest & Pipits 2.00 - 3.00pm
Year 3	Jingle & Mingle Workshop	Thursday 10th December 2026 (10.12.26)	Skylarks 8.50 - 9.35am Doves 2.15 - 3.00pm
EYFS	Jingle & Mingle Workshop	Tuesday 15th December 2026 (15.12.26)	Chicks 8.50 - 9.35am Owlets 1.15 - 2.00pm Eaglets 2.15 - 3.00pm
Year 4	Jingle & Mingle Workshop	Wednesday 16th December 2025 (10.12.25)	Blackbirds 8.50 - 9.35am Woodpeckers 1.15- 2.00pm

You should have received an app message, text and email with more information, along with a booking link.





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
~~8th October 2026~~	~~Starling~~
~~15th October 2026~~	~~Puffins~~
~~22nd October 2026~~	~~Jays~~
~~19th November 2026~~	~~Kestrels~~
~~Wednesday 25th November 2026~~	~~Eagles~~
21st January 2027	Woodpeckers
Wednesday 27th January 2027	Blackbirds
4th February 2027	Doves
11th February 2027	Skylarks
11th March 2027	Swallows
18th March 2027	Wagtails
29th April 2027	Robins
20th May 2027	Sparrows
17th June 2027	Owlets
24th June 2027	Eaglets
1st July 2027	Chicks