

NEWSLETTER

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Dates

SATs —Year 2

Monday 16th—23rd May

Walk to school week

Monday 16th May

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Wednesday 25th May

Half term

Monday 30th May—Friday
3rd June

POPFEST 2022

Friday July 1st

Parent Football tournament

Tuesday 5th July

Sports Day

Tuesday 12th July KS1/2

Wednesday 13th July
(Nursery)

POPS Got Talent week

Monday 18th July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Friday 22nd July

Welcome back after a lovely Easter break, although this seems like a distant memory now! We are already 3 weeks into this extremely short half term and we have managed to do so much.

Year 6 have completed their SATs this week and we are extremely proud of them all. They approached this week with determination and confidence and it has gone without a hitch - well done to all involved and thank you to all the staff for their hard work, it is greatly appreciated.

We only have 2 more weeks until the May half term break and a lot to fit in. I will endeavour to keep you all updated with all school news on a regular basis and as always please call, email or speak to me on the school gate if you need me for anything at all.

Now, pour yourself a cuppa and enjoy a read of this newsletter.
Mrs Mitchinson

Year 2 SATS

Over the next few weeks the Year 2 children will be sitting their SATs tests. These are done in the classrooms and the children have taken part in lots of practice tests so this is not out of the norm for them. This is a normal part of their assessments in school and is something they are used to.

Jubilee Day

We will be celebrating the Queen's jubilee on **Wednesday 25th May**. I would like to invite all children to come to school dressed in red, white and blue. During the day each class will be celebrating in their own way and the whole school will come together at lunch time for a picnic lunch and party on the field/playground.

On this day there will be **NO** hot lunches. The kitchen will be preparing packed lunches for children to eat outside.

If your child would like a school picnic lunch please log on to your parent pay account and book (even if you have already pre booked lunches—this will need re-doing). There you will find sandwich choices and more information.

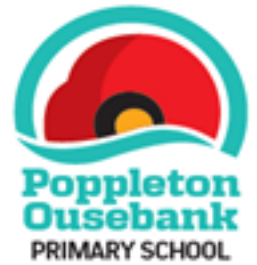
Children, as always, can bring their own packed lunch if they wish. The kitchen requires final numbers for this by **Wednesday 18th May (next week)** so that they can order what they need.

We appreciate this is short notice and thank you for your quick turnaround.

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School lunches

Please can you make sure that you are booking your child's school lunch via parent pay on a weekly basis. We are finding every day that children are asking for a hot lunch and this has not been booked. This week we have given out 40 extra lunches that have not been allocated for. Thank you

Maypole

Over the last few weeks a wonderful group of volunteers have been teaching children in Year's 5 and 6 how to Maypole dance. They will be showcasing their talents to the rest of the school on Friday 27th May ready for their performance on the village green in the May holidays. Well done to all involved, it is amazing to see.

School website

Our school website is a fountain of knowledge. There you will find all sorts of information about safeguarding, curriculum, newsletters and so much more. You can find out what your child is learning under the 'Curriculum' tab. If you have 10 minutes please take a look and familiarise yourself.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is one of the most important aspects of school life. Staff undertake regular training and Mrs O'Hara wrote to you all informing you of parental access to the 'National Online Safety' website. The school subscribes to this for regular training and development and as part of our subscription families can access courses to learn about a number of things.

One of the main subjects that I am often contacted about as my role as Designated Safeguarding Lead is online safety. Can I ask that you are regularly checking your child's phone, ipad and gaming device. There are a number of dangers linked to online games and communities and I wish for us all to be aware of these. I am also aware that the children communicate to each other out of school via WhatsApp groups and gaming devices. Please encourage your children to share with you (or us) if they feel that something is wrong or dangerous during these chats. Technology changes so fast, as do trends, so it is always worthwhile checking in to see what your children are doing and who they are communicating with.

There is a wealth of information regarding Safeguarding and e-safety on the school website, under 'Key Information', 'Safeguarding'. If you have any concerns or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Internet safety letter can be found under the e-safety section of the Safeguarding area of the school website.

Have a lovely weekend everyone