



# Poppleton Ousebank PRIMARY SCHOOL

**'Capturing the imagination of young minds'**

## **Newsletter - Friday 9th February 2024**

### **A message from Miss Collier**

What a half term it has been! The children have had a stunning start to the new year, throwing themselves into new challenges with an 'I can' attitude. School has been full of energy and enthusiasm. I am thoroughly enjoying getting to know all the children and have loved their beaming smiles. Many have told me they would like to stay in school during the half term! More and more children have been coming to share their work with me. I love being able to see and hear their success. For me, it is one of my favourite parts of the job. I am quickly running out of stickers! I have also been delighted to see so many acts of kindness and amazing manners taking place voluntarily, without a prompt from an adult. Thank you to all the children who have represented our school in football games and swimming galas. I have had the privilege of being able to attend some of these events and have been impressed by the sportsmanship our children showed. I am always so proud to see children look after one another and use their initiative to help and support one another. Well done.

Many thanks to you for attending parents' evenings this week. We really value your attendance at such events and appreciate your feedback which helps us to improve. If you have been unable to attend this week, please make an appointment with the class teacher as soon as possible.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term break, we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 19th February.

With best wishes,  
Miss Collier

### **Staffing update**

We would like to say good luck and farewell to Mrs Carli Bean and her family as she takes maternity leave. Our very best wishes for a healthy and happy baby. We hope you have some well-earned rest beforehand. Mr Tim Godfrey (acting SENDCo) has made a great start supporting our children and families with SEND. If you have any queries please do contact Mr Godfrey directly on [senco@pop.hslt.academy](mailto:senco@pop.hslt.academy)

### **Road Safety**

We understand the location of our school grounds is difficult and that parking can be tricky, however we remain concerned that some families are parking unsafely at the start and end of day. We often see and receive concerns that our families park on the double yellow lines and corners of junctions. We strongly ask that all families park safely and work with us to support the safety of our children and school community. To report a vehicle which is parked illegally please call the council parking hotline on telephone: **0800 1381119**.

### Calling all volunteers

Thank you so much for the interest you have shown to volunteer in school. We have been compiling interest and we will be in touch after the break to undertake necessary checks. If you are still able to offer any regular time in school please email the school office on [hello@pop.hslt.academy](mailto:hello@pop.hslt.academy)

### Partnership working

Next half term we will begin to extend opportunities for parents to be in school. Working together as a partnership, both with yourselves and the wider community, is key to developing a successful and happy school. We hope that you will work with us to ensure the best possible education for your child. We firmly believe that we can achieve greater things by working in partnership.

### Monthly coffee mornings

The first Tuesday of every month will be a chance to meet other parents and professionals in the school hall. 08:45-09:45. Our SENDCo Mr Godfrey will be in attendance to be able to offer guidance, support and any questions you may have. Mrs Michinson and the Well-Being In Mind team will also be present.

### Class sharing assemblies

We warmly invite families to join our class sharing assemblies. These will be held every Friday morning at 9:00 am in the KS2 hall. This will be an opportunity for the children to share their work with you. If parents are unable to attend the date for their child's class, we would like to extend the invite to grandparents also (only two adults per family please). Families of the class will be able to enter the school hall on the below date from 8:45 am where refreshments will also be served. If you are joining for assembly and would like to help serve teas and coffee, your support will be very much welcomed.

#### Monthly Coffee Mornings

**Tuesday 5th March**  
**Tuesday 9th April**  
**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

#### Class sharing assemblies

**Friday 23rd February** Y6 Usk  
**Friday 1st March** Y6 Umber  
**Friday 8th March** Y5 Tyne  
**Friday 15th March** Y5 Tamar  
**Friday 12th April** Y4 Sprint  
**Friday 19th April** Y4 Swift  
**Friday 26th April** Y3 Ribble  
**Friday 3rd May** Y3 Roding  
**Friday 10th May** Y2 Par  
**Friday 17th May** Y2 Plym  
**Friday 24th May** Y1 Ouse  
**Friday 7th June** Y1 Orwell  
**Friday 14th June** R Nairn  
**Friday 21st June** R Nent

## Important dates for your diary

### Spring 2

Wednesday 21st February	Young Voices Choir	Sheffield Arena 2- 10pm
Friday 23rd February	Friends World Book Day Costume Sale.	Playground. 3pm
Monday 26th Tuesday 27th February	Y3 Pedestrian training	
Thursday 29th February	Y1 Parents' meeting - Phonics blending session	Y1 Ouse class 3:30 - 4:00pm
Friday 1st March	Chris White author visit	Whole school
Monday 4th - Friday 8th March	Y6 Residential	Kingswood, Dearne Valley
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day	Dress up as a book character /Friends Book Gifting
Thursday 7th March	Reception 'Someone Special' reading in school to celebrate Mother's Day	Reception Nairn/Nent 2:30 - 3:15pm
Thursday 14th March	Friends Glow disco	Y1/2 3:15 - 4:15 Y3/4 4:30 -5:30 Y5/6 5:45-6:45
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day	Non uniform day - wear red
Monday 18th March	Year 6 SATS parents' meeting	Y6 Usk Class 3:30-4:00pm
Thursday 21st March	Last day of school	
<b>Friday 22nd March School closed Training day</b>		

### Summer Term

Monday 8th April	Back to school	
<b>Monday 6th May Bank holiday. School closed.</b>		
w/c 13th May	Y6 SATs	
Friday 17th May	Y6 Party	events TBC
Thursday 23rd May	Friends disco	Y1/2 3:15 - 4:15 Y3/4 4:30 -5:30 Y5/6 5:45-6:45
<b>w/c 27th May Half Term</b>		
Saturday 1st June	York Pride	
Tuesday 4th Wednesday 5th June	Y4 Residential	Ingleton
Friday 7th June	Friends Non uniform day	Donations towards summer fair/raffle
w/c 10th June	Y1 Phonic Screening check Y4 Multiplication check	

<b>Thursday 13th June</b>	Welcome to reception 24/25 new starters	5:30 - 6:30pm
<b>Friday 28th June</b>	Popfest/Summer fair	Details to follow
<b>Tuesday 2nd July</b>	Y6 Production	2:00 - 3:00pm
<b>Thursday 4th July</b>	Y6 Production	5:30 - 6:30pm
<b>Tuesday 9th July</b>	Sports Day Parent Football Tournament Reception new starters 24/25 Parent Stay and Play	R-Y3 9:15am KS2 1:30pm 3:30 - 4:30pm 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Wednesday 10th July</b>	Nursery sports morning	10:30- 11:00 Followed by picnic lunch with parents
<b>Thursday 11th July</b>	Reception new starters 24/25 Parent Stay and Play	3:30-4:30pm
<b>Friday 12th July</b>	Reports go out	
<b>Monday 15th July</b>	Reception Graduation	2:30pm Hall
<b>Monday 22nd July</b>	Y6 Leavers' assembly	2:30pm Hall
<b>Monday 22nd July</b>	Last day of term	

\*\*\*Children in all years will be completing end of year assessments. We will not be using terminology like SATs in Y2. Children will undertake 'quizzes' which will be carried out over a series of weeks and broken down into smaller chunks. This information will help inform lesson planning and next steps. We conduct assessments throughout the year to continually ensure we are targeting the right areas for each child.