



# Poppleton Ousebank PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## **Newsletter - Monday 2nd September 2024**

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

We look forward to welcoming you all back tomorrow after the summer break. I hope you have all had a fantastic summer and are well rested and ready for another exciting year ahead. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff who have worked tirelessly throughout the summer to prepare our school in readiness for the new year. There has been an extensive amount of work taken place including new pupil toilets in Y5/6, new car park and fencing, new doors, carpets, phone lines, soffits, signing in machines, clearing, sorting, deep cleaning, painting... the list goes on.

A big welcome to all our new starters and their families this week. We hope you feel welcomed into our school community. As always at the start of a new school year, you may have lots of questions. If you are unsure of anything at all or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher so that we can help. Class teachers are available both before and after school at the classroom doors to answer any queries. We are here to listen and help and ensure that any important issues can be dealt with at the earliest opportunity. Sometimes a private conversation may be required and this can also be arranged face to face at a time mutually convenient for both school and home. Please ensure that any urgent enquiries go directly to the school office on [hello@pop.hslt.academy](mailto:hello@pop.hslt.academy) or 01904 795930. Below we share the dates and time of our new welcome meetings. This will be a further opportunity to meet your child's new teacher, see their classroom and support with any start of year queries. Our doors are always open.

#### **Please don't forget:**

**Children in reception and nursery have received individual start dates and times. Please check these carefully. There are whole school changes to our start times from tomorrow.**

#### **Reception - Y6**

**8:30am:** School gates open. Children can wait on the playground with an adult until the doors open.

**8:40am:** Doors open. Children can free flow into school, staff are present to welcome and support children coming in.

**8:45am:** School starts

**8:50am:** Registers close. Children arriving after 8:50am will be marked as late.

**3:15pm** Hometime. Children will exit from their class door onto the playground. Staff will be present.

**3:30pm** School gates close

#### **Nursery**

**8:45am:** Nursery starts

**3:00pm:** Nursery hometime

**2:55pm:** School gates open

**Half day:** 8:45-11:45 am 12:00pm- 3:00pm

Here's to a very exciting new year. We can't wait to welcome you back tomorrow.

Miss Collier



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**Welcome meetings** - Next week, we will be hosting welcome meetings face to face in school at 3:30pm. This will be an opportunity to ask any questions for the year ahead and give you the chance to see your child's classroom and meet their teacher. Please enter through your child's class door. Due to safety we please ask that only one adult attends with their child. We anticipate these lasting around 30 minutes.

Monday 9th September – Y3/4

Tuesday 10th September – Y5/6

Thursday 12th September – Y1/2

**After school clubs Autumn 2024** - Please complete this [form](#) by Tuesday 3rd September if you would like your child to participate in an after school club. These will start w/c 9th September 2024. Clubs start after school and finish at 4.15pm. You will be notified if your child has received a place by the end of the first week of the new term. In addition to these, private clubs will be led by Total Sports and Taekwondo. Information for these will be sent directly from the provider.

**Y5/6 Consent to walk home** - Children in Y5/6 are able to walk to and from school independently. We require parental [consent](#) for this. We will be updating our records on this at the start of the new term.

**Emergency details** - Thank you for the returns you have already sent into the school office. Please ensure the school has been informed of any changes to medical, allergy and emergency contact details. It is vital that school has up to date records and are able to contact parents in an emergency. Please continue to update the school office if your details change.

**School uniform** - We very much appreciate parents' support in ensuring that the children attend school smartly dressed and in the correct uniform. All pupils should wear the correct clean school uniform. Please check our [school website](#) for details. We continue to have a worrying amount of unnamed lost property. Please help us with this by ensuring **all items of clothing are clearly marked with the child's full name.**

**Attendance and punctuality** - At POPS we are always aiming high, particularly where attendance and punctuality is concerned. Good attendance and punctuality makes a really positive difference to children's learning and wider skills. School starts at **8:45am** please encourage punctuality for all our children. Thank you.

**Medicines** - Medicines should only be brought into school when prescribed 4 times a day or if doctor's instructions indicate a dosage at lunchtime. It is the responsibility of parents to supply written information about the medication their child needs to take in school. Medication needs to be handed in at the office, where parents are required to complete details of the dosage and consent. Without written consent, we are unable to give out prescribed medicines during the school day. Unfortunately we are not able to give non-prescribed medication, over the counter medicines, to children.

**Volunteers** - Parent volunteers are really valued and welcomed into school. If you have any regular time during the week to help hear children read, test times tables, help with art activities, to cook or help with the library or a school trip please email Mrs McGregor our support services manager on [j.mcgregor2@pop.hslt.academy](mailto:j.mcgregor2@pop.hslt.academy) . All volunteers will be given full induction and relevant safeguarding checks.

## Important dates for your diary 2024 - 2025

### Training days

Monday 2nd September  
 Friday 20th December  
 Monday 6th January  
 Monday 21st July  
 Tuesday 22nd July

### Class sharing assemblies

Friday 28th February Y6 Nile  
 Friday 7th March Y6 Amazon  
 Friday 14th March Y5 Mekong  
 Friday 21st March Y5 Mississippi  
 Friday 28th March Y4 Danube  
 Friday 4th April Y4 Douro  
 Friday 25th April Y3 Rhone  
 Friday 2nd May Y3 Rhine  
 Friday 9th May Y2 Avon  
 Friday 16th May Y2 Aire  
 Friday 23rd May Y1 Tyne  
 Friday 6th June Y1 Thames  
 Friday 13th June R Foss  
 Friday 20th June R Ouse

## Autumn Term

<b>Monday 2nd September</b> Training day. School closed.		
<b>Tuesday 3rd September</b>	School opens	
<b>Friday 6th September</b>	Reception Stay and Play	8:45 - 9:30 am    12:30 - 1:15 pm
<b>w/c 9th September</b>	Y4 swimming starts	
<b>Monday 9th September</b>	Y3/4 Welcome meetings	Classrooms 3:30 - 4:00 pm
<b>Tuesday 10th September</b>	Y5/6 Welcome meetings	Classrooms 3:30 - 4:00 pm
<b>Thursday 12th September</b>	Y1/2 Welcome meetings	Classrooms 3:30 - 4:00 pm
<b>Friday 13th September</b>	Friends uniform sale	3:00pm Playground
<b>Wednesday 18th September</b>	National Fitness day	
<b>Friday 27th September</b>	Macmillan Coffee afternoon	2:30pm Upper school hall

<b>2nd- 8th October</b>	Dyslexia awareness week	
<b>Monday 14th October</b>	Early Years/ KS1 Phonic workshops	3:30 - 4:00pm Mr Holden's / Miss Goodwill's class
<b>Wednesday 16th October</b>	Individual photographs	
<b>Thursday 17th October</b>	Friends Halloween Disco	Y1/2 3:15- 4:00 pm Y3/4 4:15 - 5:15 pm Y5/6 5:30 -6:30pm
<b>Thursday 17th October</b>	Nursery stay and play	8:45 - 9:30
<b>Tuesday 22nd October</b>	Parents' evening	3:30-6:30pm Classrooms
<b>Thursday 24th October</b>	Parents' evening	3:30-6:30pm Classrooms
<b>w/c 28th October Half Term</b>		
<b>Wednesday 6th November</b>	Reception Bog Babies Forest school day	All day - in school.
<b>Thursday 7th November</b>	Reception open afternoon 25/26	4:00-5:00pm
<b>w/c 11th November</b>	Anti-bullying week - Choose respect	Plans TBC by School council
<b>Tuesday 12th November</b>	Odd socks day	Wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.
<b>Friday 15th November</b>	Children in Need	Plans TBC by School council
<b>Friday 29th November</b>	Non uniform day	Donation for Christmas fair
<b>Friday 29th November</b>	Friends pre loved christmas jumper sale	3:00pm Playground
<b>Monday 2nd December</b>	Tree day	All children are invited to bring a bauble to hang
<b>Monday 2nd December</b>	Early Years/ KS1 Phonic workshops	3:30 - 4:00pm Mr Holden's / Miss Goodwill's class
<b>Thur 5th - Tues 10th December</b>	Secret Rooms	TBC
<b>Monday 9th December</b>	Nursery/Reception Nativity	2:15pm
<b>Tuesday 10th December</b>	Y1 Christmas show	9:15am
<b>Tuesday 10th December</b>	Y2 Christmas Show	2:15pm
<b>Wednesday 11th December</b>	Y2 Christmas show	9:15am
<b>Wednesday 11th December</b>	Y1 Christmas Show	2:15pm
<b>Wednesday 11th December</b>	Christmas Fair	3:15 -5:30pm
<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	Nursery/Reception Nativity	9:15am
<b>Friday 13th December</b>	Mental Elf Festive fun run - York Mind charity	Come dressed as an elf or wear elf ears/hat
<b>Wednesday 18th December</b>	Festive day - Christmas dinner	Wear your Christmas jumpers/party clothes
<b>Wednesday 18th December</b>	Festive film night	Y1- Y6 3:15 -5:30pm

Thursday 19th December	Last day of term	
<b>Friday 20th December</b> School closed Training day		

## Spring Term

<b>Monday 6th January</b> Training day. School closed.		
Tuesday 7th January	School opens	
Monday 20th January	World Religion Day (19th)	A day celebrating other faiths
Monday 27th January	Y5/6 Young Voices	Sheffield Arena 1:00 - 10:00pm
w/c 27th January	National storytelling week	
w/c 3rd February	Children's mental health week	
Monday 3rd February	Early Years/ KS1 Phonic workshops	3:30 - 4:00pm Mr Holden's / Miss Goodwill's class
Tuesday 11th February	Safer Internet Day	
Tuesday 11th February	Parents' evening	3:30-6:30pm Classrooms
Wednesday 12th February	Friends Lantern Riddle	3:15-4:15pm
Thursday 13th February	Parents' evening	3:30-6:30pm Classrooms
<b>w/c 17th February</b> Half Term		
Friday 21st February	Friends World Book Day Costume Sale.	Playground. 3:00 pm
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day	Plans TBC
Thursday 6th March	Friends Book Bonanza	All children to receive a free book
Thursday 6th March	Reception 'Someone Special' reading in school	Reception Ouse/Foss 2:30 - 3:15pm
Friday 14th March	Red Nose Day	Plans TBC by School council
Thursday 20th March	Friends Disco	Y1/2 3:15- 4:00 pm Y3/4 4:15 - 5:15 pm Y5/6 5:30 -6:30pm
Monday 24th March	Early Years/ KS1 Phonic workshops	3:30 - 4:00 pm Mr Holden's / Miss Goodwill's class
Tuesday 25th March	Nursery Stay and Play - phonics	9:00am
Wednesday 26th March	Reception Stay and Play	9:00am
Friday 4th April	Last day of school	

## Summer Term

Monday 21st April	Back to school	
Wednesday 23rd April	Class photographs	
<b>Monday 5th May Bank holiday. School closed.</b>		
w/c 12th May	Y6 SATs	
Friday 16th May	Y6 Celebration day	events TBC
w/c 19th May	Walk to school week	
Monday 19th May	Early Years/ KS1 Phonic workshops	3:30 - 4:00pm Mr Holden's / Miss Goodwill's class
<b>w/c 26th May Half Term</b>		
Thur 5th -Fri 6th June	Y4 Residential	Ingleton
w/c 9th June	Y1 Phonic Screening check Y4 Multiplication check	
Monday 9th June	Sports Day	R/KS1 9:15am KS2 1:30pm School field
Wednesday 11th June	Nursery sports morning	10:30- 11:00am, Picnic lunch with parents
Friday 14th June	Non uniform day	Donation for the summer fair
Wed 25th- Fri 27th June	Y6 Residential	Robin Wood
Monday 30th June	Reception new starters taster session	1:30 - 2:30 pm
Tuesday 1st July	Y6 Production	2:00 - 3:00 pm
Wednesday 2nd June	Reception taster session	9:30 -10:30 am
Weds 2nd Thurs 3rd July	Y6 Transition days	TBC
Thursday 3rd July	Y6 Production	5:30 - 6:30 pm
Friday 4th July	Popfest / Summer fair	All day / 3:15-5:30 pm
Tuesday 8th July	Reception new starters 24/25 Stay and Play	3:30-4:30 pm
Thursday 10th July	Reception new starters 24/25 Stay and Play	3:30-4:30 pm
Friday 11th July	Reports go out/ Classes go out	
Monday 14th July	Reception Graduation	2:30 pm Hall
Tuesday 15th July	Meet your new teacher	9:30-11:30 am
Thursday 17th July	Meet your new teacher	9:30-11:30 am
Friday 18th July	Y6 Leavers' assembly	2:30pm Hall

Friday 18th July	Last day of term	
<b>Monday 21st and 22nd July</b> School closed Training day		