



School Newsletter

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NEWSLETTER: January 2026

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back to a brand-new term! I hope you all enjoyed a restful and joyful break, filled with moments that allowed you to recharge and spend precious time together. It has been wonderful to see the children return to school with such enthusiasm, smiles and a real readiness to learn. The start of a new term always brings a sense of excitement and possibility. Our classrooms are once again full of curiosity, creativity and laughter and the children have settled back into routines brilliantly. We are looking forward to a term rich with learning, new challenges and opportunities for every child to shine.

We know that learning doesn't only happen in school. Over the holidays, many children will have enjoyed special experiences outside of school—whether that was spending time with family, exploring new places, taking part in clubs or hobbies, reading a great book or simply enjoying playing and relaxing at home. These experiences are so valuable and help shape who our children are. We would love to hear about any enjoyments or special moments your child has had outside of school. Please do share these with class teachers—photos and messages via Seesaw or office@poppleton.pmat.academy. Celebrating these experiences helps us build strong connections between home and school and shows children that all aspects of their lives are valued.

Each newsletter I will share a phase update with news what has been happening across our wonderful school.

Year 5 and Year 6 Phase Update

Year 5 have begun the new term by developing their 'greenfingers' as part of our science topic. They have been learning about plant reproduction and this week they have been investigating tubers, bulbs and runners and ways of monitoring and caring for their new plants.



Year 6 are enjoying spending quality time building relationships with their Buddies in Early Years and sharing their love of books and reading with them. Their love of reading continues as they are already devouring their class reading book 'Holes' by Louis Sachar and are looking forward to comparing the book with the film adaptation later this term. Photos of reading with Buddies from RM



Warm wishes,

Ellie Dawson

Headteacher

Playtime Snacks



Reminder that the healthy snacks that children can bring for snack are:

- Cheese
- Yogurt
- Fruit
- Crackers
- Rice cakes
- Vegetables

We have seen a rise in children bringing crisps, chocolate biscuits and high sugar snacks. School fruit can be offered as an alternative.