POPPLETON ROAD NEWSLETTER

14th September

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Welcome back, everyone! It has been an absolute joy opening our doors again and seeing the school filled with bright smiles and wonderful energy. It has been fantastic catching up and talking with so many of you as well. A very warm welcome goes out to our brand-new Reception and Nursery children, who have settled in so beautifully! They are already exploring, making friends, and making themselves right at home. We can't wait to complete our school family next week when the final group of Reception children joins us. Our pupils have been amazingly busy getting back into school life, showing so much kindness and helping each other settle in. In fact, they've been so fantastic that we already have WOW nominations ready for our very first assembly next week! Looking ahead, our Year 6 children are so excited for their upcoming PGL adventure! We can't wait to see them show us just how brave and courageous they are as they take on new challenges. Here's to an incredible term ahead filled with learning, laughter, and lots of success!

Nut allergies remain the most common allergy reported within schools, and therefore our current practice will not change:

· The catering service already operates as a nut-free provision.
· Parents and carers are requested to provide nut-free healthy snacks.
· Parents and carers should provide nut-free packed lunches. This is particularly important when on a school trip, as the potential risk is greatly increased because of the number of packed lunches being eaten. The advice is to particularly check snack/cereal bars, as these are often likely to contain nuts, and this includes many chocolate spreads.
· All food, cooking, or science/exploration activities undertaken within classes are risk assessed.
· All offsite activities are risk assessed, and staff are informed of the need to be 'nut-free.'

Young Carers School Award - We are thrilled to announce that Poppy Road has officially been granted the Young Carers Award in recognition of our commitment to supporting pupils who care for family members at home. This achievement reflects the dedicated effort of our staff, particularly our Young Carers Champion, Mrs. Scott, and the children to ensure a compassionate, inclusive environment where every young carer feels valued and supported. Thank you to our entire school community for helping us build a nurturing space where all our children can thrive.

Eco Schools - Green Flag Award - We are also delighted to share that we have been officially awarded the prestigious Eco-Schools Green Flag in recognition of our commitment to environmental sustainability and climate action. This incredible milestone reflects the hard work and passion of Mrs. Iveson, our children, Eco-Warriors, staff, and families in creating a greener school. Thank you to our entire school community for driving positive change and helping us build a more sustainable future together.

RESPECTFUL PUPILS

All of our children have been showing how they can be respectful and kind towards each other this week. We have been working together to build positive relationships with everyone.

We want to make sure that everyone feels happy and every member of staff is here to support the children. We have shared with the children that if they feel unhappy, worried, upset, or if they are hurt, then they must tell a trusted adult in school. We are using the term ***"It's not okay."*** This reflects that if someone has been unkind, we recognize this and talk about how that is not okay and what we must do to stop it from happening again.

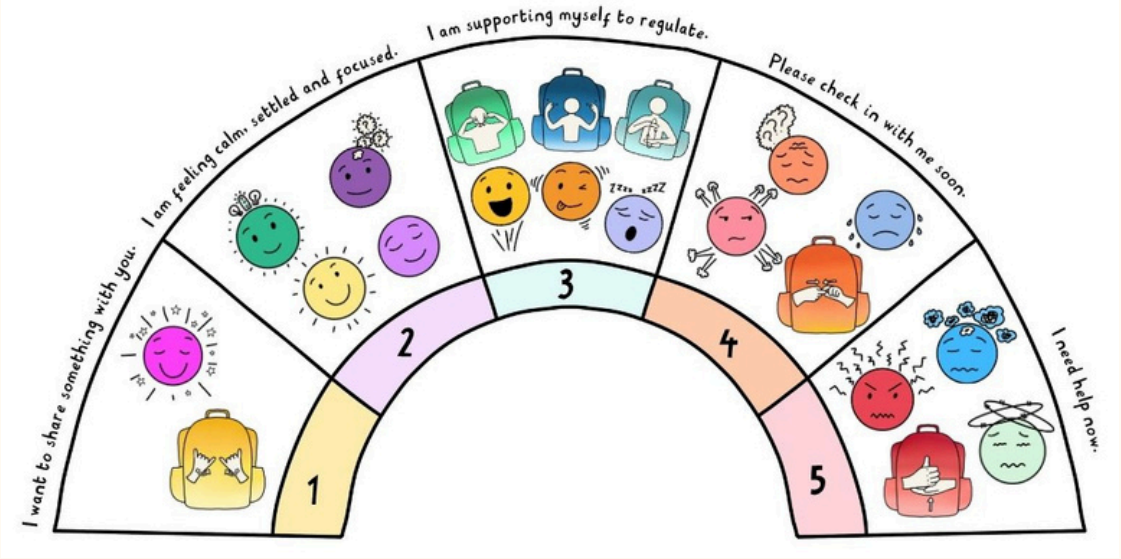
YOU SAID, WE DID...

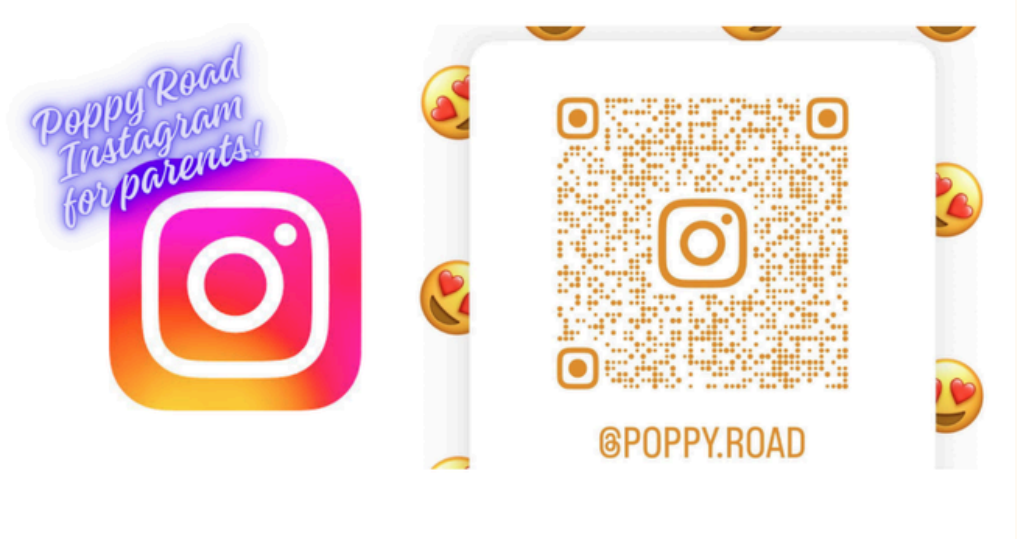
After the positive feedback linked to our new Behaviour Policy, some families wanted to look at way to support children further with big emotions and what we can do to help.

We are now officially a TGMC School.

The Good Morning Club (created by former teacher and behavior expert Jen Foster) is an inclusive Emotional Literacy program for all. By using simple visual schedules, fun movement breaks, and calm-down strategies, the TGMC approach helps turn some moments into smoother, happier routines for everyone.

Look out for a letter this week from Mrs. Noonan, our PSHE and Personal Development Lead, which gives much more detail and explains how you can access resources from home through a parent portal.





Follow our school Instagram, @poppy.road, account to see the fabulous things that happen during the school day!

Pathfinder
Multi Academy Trust

Welcome to BEACON

BEACON
Guided support for families

At Pathfinder, we are committed to making sure every child can thrive, regardless of their background or financial circumstances. BEACON provides help, guidance and support for families, helping to remove barriers to learning, participation and opportunity.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY
Check if you qualify

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND CLOTHING
Affordable and accessible

FOOD AND NUTRITION
Healthy and nutritious meals

TRIPS, VISITS AND ACTIVITIES
Ensuring access for all pupils

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP
Removing barriers to learning

FINANCIAL HELP AND SUPPORT
Benefits, advice and local support

Find out how we can help

Scan the QR code or visit pathfinder.academy/beacon to access the BEACON resources on the Pathfinder website. For more information, speak to our BEACON CHAMPION.

Dates for the diary...

Harvest Festival - in school celebration- Wednesday 21st October .

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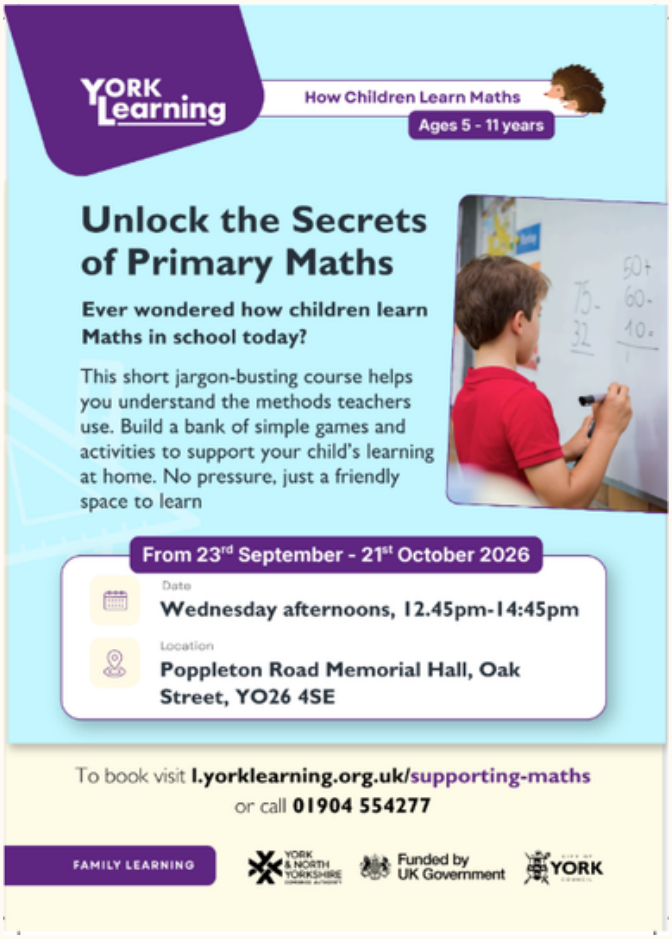
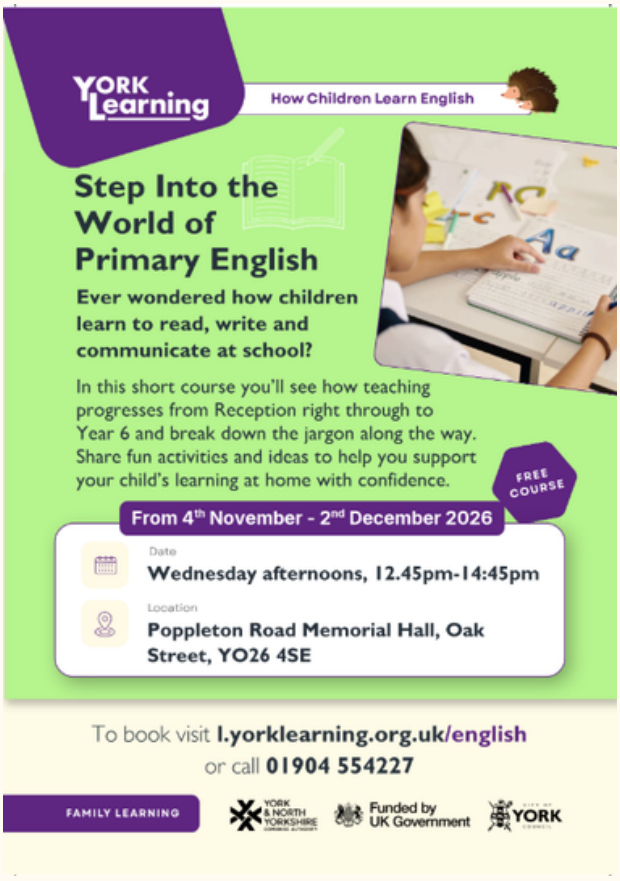
10:15 KS2





WOULD YORK BE THE SAME WITHOUT POPPLETON ROAD MEMORIAL HALL?

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF A HALL THAT *brings us together.*

Your hall. Your community. Your future.

For generations, **Poppleton Road Memorial Hall** has been *at the heart* of our community.

From local groups and meetings to celebrations and friendships – it's a place where everyone belongs.

We're looking for a few local people to join our team of Trustees and help ensure our much-loved Hall continues to thrive for many years to come.

You don't need previous Trustee experience.
If you care about your community and can spare one evening every two months, we'd love to meet you.

We would particularly welcome people with experience in administration, finance or IT – but these skills aren't essential.
Passion for your community matters most.

WHAT'S INVOLVED?

- One friendly meeting every two months
- Helping make decisions about the Hall's future
- Meeting local people who care about our community
- Using your skills – or simply bringing enthusiasm and fresh ideas

Would you miss it if it wasn't here?

If the answer is **Yes**, perhaps you'd like to help ensure it never disappears.

Come along to our AGM | Meet the current Trustees | Ask questions and discover what being a Trustee really involves

No obligation. Just a conversation.

OUR NEXT MEETING (OUR AGM) WILL BE HELD AT THE HALL ON

MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER @ 6.30PM

Refreshments from 6pm.

Come along and meet the team!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Text or Ring Jan on 0781 485 0210