POPPLETON ROAD NEWSLETTER

2nd October

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

It has been a fantastic first month of term and I can hardly believe how much we have already packed into these past few weeks.

Our pupils have been out and about making the most of our brilliant city—enjoying a visit to the York Food and Drink Festival, playing tourist around York and getting to know our surroundings on a local area walk. Beyond the school day, our after-school clubs are buzzing with energy, and we are eagerly looking forward to next week when our pupils start competing in the Pathfinder sporting events!

Inside the classroom, the children have been thoroughly enjoying our assemblies and Jigsaw lessons—our Personal, Social, Health, and Economic (PSHE) curriculum. Your child will be bringing home an overview of what their class is exploring this term, so please do keep an eye out for that in their bags. Finally, it is great that we know have our new pupil leaders across the school, including our Reading Leaders and Eco-Warriors. I cannot wait to see their brilliant ideas and see how they help shape our school community this year.

Thank you all for a brilliant start to the academic year!

Dates for the diary...

Wednesday 21st October Harvest Festival
EYFS and KS1 9:30 -
KS2 10:30 -

Parents Evening Tuesday 3rd November and Thursday 5th November 3:30 - 6:00 pm. Booking info to follow

Thursday 5th November - School Photo Day

Friday 4th December - School Christmas Fair 3:15 - 5:15 pm

Attendance

CAN MY CHILD GO TO SCHOOL?

A QUICK GUIDE FOR PARENTS & CARERS ON COUGHS AND COLDS

COUGHS AND MILD COLDS? KEEP THEM LEARNING.

> *"It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold, provided they don't have a high temperature."*

NHS

QUICK CHECKLIST: SCHOOL VS. STAY HOME

YES	RUNNY NOSE / MILD COUGH	If they are otherwise well and do not have a high temperature, keep them in school.
YES	SORE THROAT	They can attend unless they are unwell with a high temperature.
NO	HIGH TEMPERATURE (FEVER)	Keep them at home until the fever goes away.
NO	VOMITING OR DIARRHOEA	Keep them at home for 48 hours after the last episode.

WHEN SHOULD THEY STAY AT HOME?

NHS

> *"If your child has a high temperature, they should stay off school until the fever goes away."*

- High Temperature (38°C or above)
- Very Unwell
- Unwell in Themselves

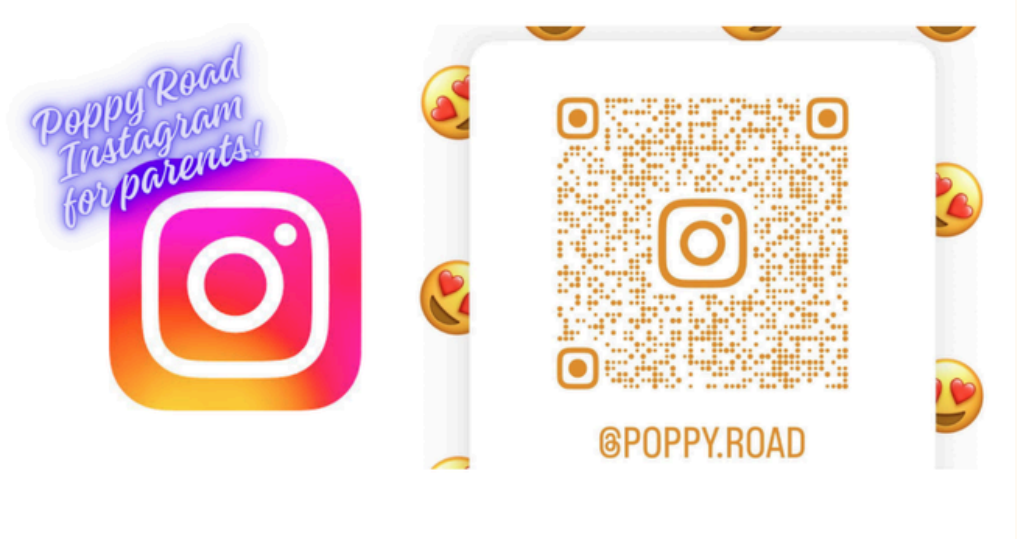
TIPS TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD

Handwashing

Catch it, Bin it, Kill it

Medicine

For full advice and details on other childhood illnesses, search 'NHS Is my child too ill for school?' online.



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

Supporting Children with...

Maths — Ages 5 - 11

Unlock the Secrets of Primary Maths

Ever wondered how children learn Maths in school today?

This jargon-busting 10-week course helps you understand the methods teachers use. Build a bank of simple games and activities to support your child's learning at home, no pressure, just a friendly space to learn.

Fulford Explore Library

Wednesdays 9.00am - 10.45am — ***23 Sept 2026 - 21 Oct 2026***

Westfield Primary School

Wednesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm — ***23 Sept 2026 - 9 Dec 2026***

Poppleton Road Memorial Hall

Wednesdays 12.45pm - 2.45pm — ***23 Sept 2026 - 21 Oct 2026***

Yearsley Grove Primary School

Thursdays 12.45pm - 2.45pm — ***17 Jan 2027 - 18 Mar 2027***

St Hilda's Church Hall

Thursdays 12.45pm - 2.45pm — ***24 Sept 2026 - 10 Dec 2026***

Courses at Westfield and St Hilda's all have a follow on course starting in January, with an opportunity to take a qualification in maths.

Supporting Children with Special Educational Needs (SEND)

Noticed behaviours that might suggest additional needs in your child?

This friendly course explores additional needs, including ADHD, Autism, Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Dyspraxia. Share experiences with other parents and discover practical ways to support your child at home.

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Poppleton Road Memorial Hall	
Wednesdays 12.45pm - 2.45pm	*21 Apr 2027 - 26 May 2027*
SEND CENTRAL	
Wednesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm	*23 Sep 2026 - 21 Oct 2026*
Wednesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm	*6 Jan 2027 - 3 Feb 2027*
Wednesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm	*14 Apr 2027 - 19 May 2027*
Hob Moor Family Hub*	
Thursdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm	*23 Apr 2026 - 21 May 2026*
St Hilda's Church Hall	
Thursdays 12.45pm - 2.45pm	*5 Nov 2026 - 10 Dec 2026*

York Learning are offering a Level 2 Qualification in Special Educational Needs and Disability and a Level 2 Understanding Autism.

Introduction to Supporting Children and Young People with Mental Wellbeing

Would you like to feel more confident supporting a child's wellbeing?

This friendly 5-week course explores mental health, social skills, self-esteem and resilience. A safe, jargon-free space to learn, reflect and build confidence as a parent, carer or someone working in schools.

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