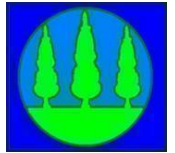
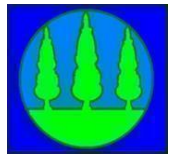


Welcome to this week's newsletter.

GROW Assembly Focus: "World Music Day"

Congratulations to ALL our Wonderful Workers of the Week





Team Merit Points- which team will be champions this year and earn £100 for their charity?



Our current overall leading team is Wildlife Trusts with 125,047 and this week's winning team is Wildlife Trusts with 3,570 points. **Double winners - well done!**



ATTENDANCE

Week ending -25/06/2026

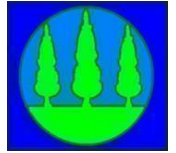
Well done to Reception Sunflowers! 98.55%!

You were the only class above our target. You have shown us it can be done!

A winning class moves around the Attendance-opoly Board, if a class lands on a 'Surprise Mission,' they are able to vote and decide on a free dress day instead. This is organised by the class teacher.

Week ending: 25/06/2026

The whole school attendance for this week is:	91.9%-this is worrying low
The whole school attendance for the school year is:	94.09%
The Phase 3 winners are:	N/A
The classes who are above 96.2% are:	Unfortunately, there are no other classes
The Phase 1 winners are:	Sunflowers with 98.55%
The classes who are above 96.2% are:	Unfortunately, there are no other classes
The Phase 2 winners are:	N/A
The classes who are above 96.2% are:	Unfortunately, there are no other classes



Please consider the impact of taking holidays during schooltime. This is having the **greatest negative impact** on attendance and of course, your child's education. It is highly likely that you will receive a fine. Recently we have had a significant increase in the number of **children arriving late into school.**

The "Hidden" Impacts of Lateness

- **Missed Learning & Routine:** Children miss morning announcements, registration, and crucial instructions for the day, which can make them feel confused or anxious.
- **Social & Emotional Cost:** Arriving late can be embarrassing and makes it difficult for a student to settle, often disrupting the rest of the class.
- **Habit Formation:** Consistent lateness creates bad habits that are difficult to break, which can negatively affect future employment.
- **Academic Achievement:** There is a direct link between good attendance/punctuality and high attainment; a student with 90% attendance is deemed a "persistent absentee" and is less likely to reach expected standards.
- **Reduced Confidence:** Students who are regularly late may feel insecure, making them less willing to participate in school activities.

Long-Term Consequences

- **Reduced Performance:** Frequent lateness often leads to falling behind in work and lower scores in exams.
- **Lower Employment Prospects:** Poor punctuality sets a poor precedent, which can translate to difficulties in future employment.
- **Increased Risk of Leaving Education Early:** Without intervention, consistent tardiness is linked to lower academic achievement and a higher risk of dropping out.

Impact on Lost Learning Time (Per Year)

- **5 minutes late every day:** Over 3 days of school lost per year (lessons).
- **10 minutes late every day:** Over 6.5 days of school lost per year.
- **15 minutes late every day:** Equivalent to 2 weeks (10 days) of school lost per year.
- **30 minutes late every day:** Equivalent to 19 days (nearly 4 weeks) of school lost per year

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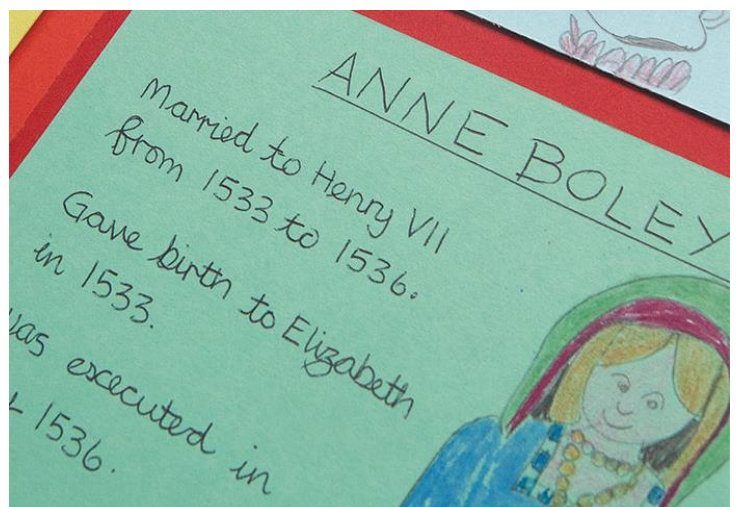
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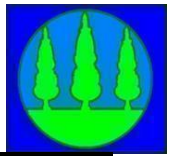
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Team Merit Point Challenge from Mrs Speak

Any child from Years 1-6 who can demonstrate improved handwriting and presentation in their books by Friday 10th July will be awarded 150 Team Merit Points by their class teacher! This means that pupils being Responsible and Open Minded (GROW VALUES) and practising to make progress, could enable their Charity Team to become this year's champions (and £100 for their charity). Well worth it!





DIARY

Important forthcoming dates

WC 29 June 2026 – Bikeability Week

Tuesday 30 June 2026 – Blossom class - Broadway Bradford Visit

Wednesday 1 July 2026 - Choir and Dance Concert

Wednesday 1 July 2026 – Year 5 STEM Festival

Thursday 2 July 2026 – Year 2 Scarborough Trip

Wednesday 8 July 2026 – Year 6 Bradford Science Museum Trip

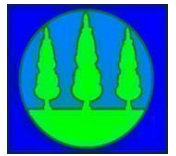
Wednesday 8 July 2026 – Reception class Active Poplars Sports Event

Thursday 9 July 2026 – Reception Hesketh Farm Visit

Thursday 9th July 2026- Active Poplars Sports Event- Year 1 to Year 6

Friday 10th July to Thursday 16th July- Festival of Learning (dates given in this Newsletter)

**Friday 17 July 2026 – Year 6 Leavers' assembly
School closes for Summer Holidays**



FESTIVAL OF LEARNING 10-16 July 2026

We invite you into school to see a presentation of children's work. Children have looked back and reflected on their learning this year and chosen their highlights to share with you.



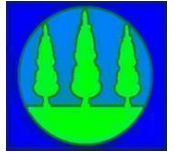
**FESTIVAL OF LEARNING
10 -16 JULY 2026**

Please see the class allocated times below

Friday 10th July-NURSERY Festival of Learning
 11.00am-11.30 am NAM-NFT
 2.30pm-3.00pm NPM-NFT

DATE	<u>9.15am-10.15am</u>	<u>2.00pm-3pm</u>
Monday 13th July		Reception – Sunflowers and Bluebells
Tuesday 14th July	Year 6 – Hazel and Elder	Year 5 – Beech and Rowan
Wednesday 15th July	Year 1 – Ash and Birch	Year 2 – Elm and Pine
Thursday 16th July	Year 3 – Oak and Sycamore	Year 4 – Cedar and Willow

Join us to see our children share their learning from our very own Poplars Curriculum.



Year 4 visit to St George's Hall- Thursday 25th June 2026



What a great way to celebrate World Music Day!

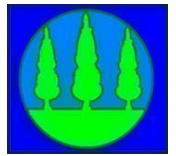
Year 4 went with their ukuleles to St George's Hall to play with the world-famous Halle Orchestra!

They also learnt 2 songs to sing along with the rest of the children who attended.

The children were also treated to a concert performed by the orchestra and linked the theme of the World Cup.

It was an amazing experience and a huge thanks to Mrs Warrender, our music lead, who organized it.





Wednesday 8th July and Thursday 9th July 2026 – Poplars Farm Sports Events

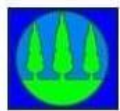


Classes	Date/Time
Reception (Sunflowers, Bluebells)	Wednesday 8 th July 2026 - 2.30 pm-3.00 pm
Year 1 (Birch, Ash), Year 2 (Elm, Pine), Year 3 (Sycamore, Oak)	Thursday 9 th July 2026 - 9.15 am – 11.00 am
Year 4 (Willow, Cedar), Year 5 (Rowan, Beech), Year 6 (Hazel, Elder)	Thursday 9 th July 2026 - 1.15 pm – 3 pm

This year we will be hosting a Poplars Farm Sports festival. This is your chance to join in on a number of exciting activities with your children and experience our Active Friday sessions!

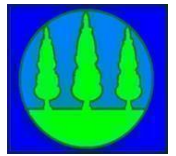
You will have the chance to collect stamps with your child as you participate and have fun on the different stations.

The sports festival will take place on the school grounds. All children should wear their PE kit and trainers, and bring a water bottle and a hat on this day. If it is not possible to hold the event due to bad weather, we will do our utmost to rearrange it as soon as possible



Summer 2

MONDAY	Kids With Bricks Club – Reception to Year 4 Multi-Ball Games Club – Year 2
TUESDAY	Multi Sports Club – Year 1 Express to Impress Girls Dance Club – Year 6 Girls Football Club- Year 3-4-5-6 Cricket Club –Year 5-Year 6
WEDNESDAY	Choir High-Five Club - Year 4 and Year 5 Play and Learn Games Club – Reception and Year 1
THURSDAY	STARBOOK Reading Club – Year 3-Year 4 Gardening Club- Year 2 Art Club – Year 3-Year 4-Year 5-Year 6
FRIDAY	Football Club – Year 4 Board Games Club – Year 6



School Meal Menu

Week commencing 29/6/2026 we will be having Menu 3.

Due to problems with the boiler in the kitchen we would like to give a massive thanks to Mairead and FM Catering for ensuring a delicious choice of cold food, paninis and jacket potatoes and then hot food from Monday 29th June whilst we await the necessary part for the repair.

Poplars Farm Primary School Menu

Week 1: 13th Apr, 4th May, 25th May, 15th Jun, 6th Jul, 27th Jul, 17th Aug, 7th Sep, 28th Sep, 18th Oct

Homemade Bread, selection of seasonal Vegetables / Fresh Salad & fresh Fruit served daily.

Selection of cold Sandwiches served daily.

Mon

- ProVeg Beef & Red Lentil Bolognese & Garlic Bread
- Soya Mince Chili with Rice & Nachos
- American-style Quorn Hot Dog
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Lemon Shortcake & Custard

Tue

- Pork & Apple Whirl
- Halal Chicken & Spinach
- Pomodoro Pasta
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll
- Sprinkle Cake

Wed

- Roast Meat Dinner
- Halal Roast Chicken Breast
- Golden Cheese Roll
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll
- Decorated Fruit Jelly

Thu

- MSC Breadcrumbed Fish Fillet Fingers
- MSC Salmon & Sweet Potato
- Arrabbiata Pasta
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce

Fri

- Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- Baked Tortilla Wrap with Julienne of Veg
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Vanilla Cookie Custard Topped Cookie

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Poplars Farm Primary School Menu

Week 2: 20th Apr, 11th May, 1st Jun, 22nd Jun, 13th Jul, 3rd Aug, 24th Aug, 14th Sep, 5th Oct, 26th Oct

Homemade Bread, selection of seasonal Vegetables / Fresh Salad & fresh Fruit served daily.

Selection of cold Sandwiches served daily.

Mon

- ProVeg Mild Chicken Curry
- ProVeg Creamy Mac & Cheese
- Mascarpone Pasta
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Paris Sandwich

Tue

- Super Savoury Roll
- Homemade BBQ Quorn in a Bun
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll
- Peaches & Ice Cream with Syrup

Wed

- Roast Meat Dinner
- Halal Roast Chicken Breast
- Toad in the Hole
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll
- Lemon Drizzle

Thu

- Beef Burger in a Bun
- Halal Chicken Burger in a Bun
- Quorn Patisserie Burger in a Bun
- Pomodoro Pasta
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Marble Sponge & Chocolate Sauce

Fri

- Time & Sweetcorn Pizza
- Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Gillydale Buns

FM CATERING SERVICES

Poplars Farm Primary School Menu

Week 3: 27th Apr, 18th May, 8th Jun, 29th Jun, 20th Jul, 10th Aug, 31st Aug, 21st Sep, 12th Oct, 2nd Nov

Homemade Bread, selection of seasonal Vegetables / Fresh Salad & fresh Fruit served daily.

Selection of cold Sandwiches served daily.

Mon

- ProVeg Rich & Creamy Meat Lasagne
- Rich & Creamy Vegetarian Mince Lasagne
- Homemade BBQ Quorn with Rice
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Flapjack

Tue

- Traditional Chicken Pie
- Golden Cheese Whirl
- Arrabbiata Pasta
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll
- Strawberry Sponge & Custard

Wed

- Sausage Pie
- Halal Roast Chicken Breast
- Quorn Roast Dinner
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll
- Pears & Ice Cream with Syrup

Thu

- MSC Breadcrumbed Fish Fillet Fingers
- Vegetable Pakoras
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce

Fri

- Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- Mint Power Ball Pizza
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches
- Butterfly Buns

FM CATERING SERVICES



New School Meals Prices from August 2026

Price (per meal)

Nursery	£2.45
Primary	£2.55

ASK YOURSELF

Why aren't you choosing a school meal?

Across the country a significant number of pupils (almost 1 in 4) are not choosing a school meal, whether paid or free. This means many children in our area are missing out on healthy, balanced food that supports their learning, wellbeing, and development.

FM Catering are looking to work in partnership with schools and academies to address these shortages and improve uptake levels. The initial step will be to do a joint survey of the school's parents to identify the reasons why they are not taking up a school meal, and then FM Catering will develop and agree a bespoke action plan with our schools designed to increase meal uptake.

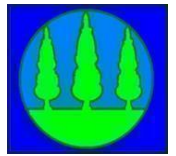
BENEFITS OF A SCHOOL MEAL

- Improves overall health and learning outcomes
- Nutritious, freshly prepared food with hot and cold options
- Promotes healthy food choices and food education
- Provides hot choices on odd days and odd choices on hot days!
- Theme days to support curriculum activities and calendar events
- Family save approximately £37 per month in total on food spending (based on a household with two adults and two primary-aged children)
- Religious, medical and food allergen diets are catered for
- Pupils wanting a packed lunch (FM can provide packed lunch choices with the 'select and fill your packed lunch' option)

Scan the QR code to let us know your thoughts on school meals.

FM SERVICES

(Please note that All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals)





Increasing Uptake of School Meals-School Lunch Survey for Parents

Our charges still remain much lower than other provisions! Please keep payment up to date.

All payments must be made in advance on ParentPay for a child attending our Wrap-Around care.

Please see a member of the office staff if you need support with this.

Community Linkage

Is your child ready to learn?


Your school nursing team wants to ensure your child has a great start to their learning journey. If your child will reach school-age between now and September 2026, we will invite you to one of our helpful "Ready to Learn" sessions.

We'll be sharing tips and advice so your child can:

- Get dressed on their own - putting on and taking off their coat
- Eat without help using a knife, fork and spoon
- Go to the toilet without help
- Listen to their teacher - you'll find out how to help your child concentrate and engage in school, as well as the importance of sleep and bedtime routine
- Begin to write – we'll explore ways to help develop your child's writing skills
- Feel confident and happy – so they settle quicker when you leave them at school.

Please call us on 01274 221203 to book an appointment.

DATE	TIME	HUB	DATE	TIME	HUB
Friday 1 st May:	9.30-1pm	Barkerend	Weds 15 th July	9.30-4pm	Gateway
	1-4.30pm	Farcliffe			
Friday 8 th May:	9.30-1pm	TFD	Thurs 23 rd July	9.30-4pm	Reevy
	1-4.30pm	Gateway			
Tues 12 th May:	9:15-12:45	ShIPLEY Lib	Tues 28 th July	9.30-4pm	Rainbow
	1-4.30pm	Farcliffe			
Thurs 21 st May:	9.30-1pm	Reevy	Weds 5 th Aug	9.30-4pm	Farcliffe
	1-4.30pm	Rainbow			
Thurs 28 th May:	9.30-1pm	Farcliffe	Thurs 13 th Aug	9.30-4pm	ShIPLEY Lib
	1-4.30pm	Barkerend			
Tues 2 nd June:	9.30-1pm	TFD	Weds 19 th Aug	9.30-4pm	TFD
	1-4.30pm	Gateway			
Friday 12 th June:	9:15-12:45	ShIPLEY Lib	Weds 26 th Aug	9.30-4pm	Barkerend
	1-4.30pm	Farcliffe			



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP HUB

EVERY TUESDAY

3.30PM - 5.30PM

CITY HUB, 36 VALLEY PARADE,
BRADFORD, BD8 7DZ

SCAN TO REGISTER





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Early Words Together

Enjoy exploring stories, rhymes and being creative with your child once a week for six weeks.

These free weekly sessions are packed with fun activities to help your child, aged three to four years, with talking and learning.

First session: Wednesday 10 June

Final session: Wednesday 15 July

Timings: 8.45am (for a 9am start) until 10am

Venue: Peel Park Primary School, Peel Park Drive, BD2 4PR

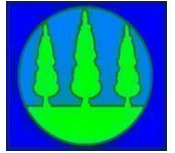
Places are limited. Secure yours via the link or QR code below.
bit.ly/EarlyWordsTogether



In partnership with

National Literacy Trust





Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance (YACAD)
Co-op Academy Parkland
Old Park Road, Bradford, BD10 9BG

HAF@yacad.org

01274 020263

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This Summer, we are running four Creative Arts Camps for ages 5-15 years old. All places include lunch with options for a hot meal or sandwiches.

What's on offer!

YACAD - Swain House Creative Camp Ages 5-16 (10:00am -2pm): A fun filled holiday club where children can sing, Act and dance while building confidence and creativity. Throughout the week they will work together to create their own performing arts production. Running Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August.

YACAD - Wycliffe Creative Camp Ages 5-16 (10:00am -2pm): A high-energy holiday camp where kids build confidence and have fun learning aerial hoop, silks, acro dance, and circus skills like juggling, diablo, and devil sticks. A week of creativity, movement, and lots of fun. Running Monday 27th July - Friday 31st July. Wrap around childcare available 8.30am-6pm.

YACAD - Parkland Creative Camp Ages 8-16 (10:00am -3pm): A creative and expressive holiday club where kids can build new skills in arts and crafts or build confidence in the performing arts through acting and singing. Running Monday 27th July - Friday 14th August (Monday-Friday each week). Wrap around childcare available 8.30am-6pm.

YACAD - Mini Camp Ages 5-7 (10:00am -3pm): A creative and expressive holiday club where kids can build new skills in arts and crafts or build confidence in the performing arts through acting and singing. Monday 27th July - Friday 14th August (Monday-Friday each week). Wrap around childcare available 8.30am-6pm.

FREE PLACES

Your child may be eligible. To see if you're eligible for a FREE HAF funded place, please register at <https://bradford.haf.fun/login>.

Once you are registered on the Bradford HAF portal, you will need to register your child for a club. Please choose one of the camps above. Once registered, a member of our team will be in touch regarding the next steps.

PAID PLACES

Your child can attend our Summer Camps with paid places available at £10 per day, which includes lunch. To book a place, please visit <https://www.yacad.co.uk/summer-camp-booking>.

Kind Regards,
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Programme Development Manager



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