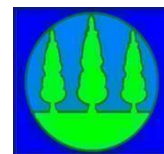


Welcome to this week's newsletter.
GROW Assembly Focus: "International Earth Day"





Team Merit Points

Remember children who are workers of the week now gain 150 team merit points each for their charity!



Our current overall leading team is RSPB with 101,545 points and this week's winning team is – Wildlife Trust with 3,780 points. Well Done!



ATTENDANCE- weekending –30/4/2026

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.**

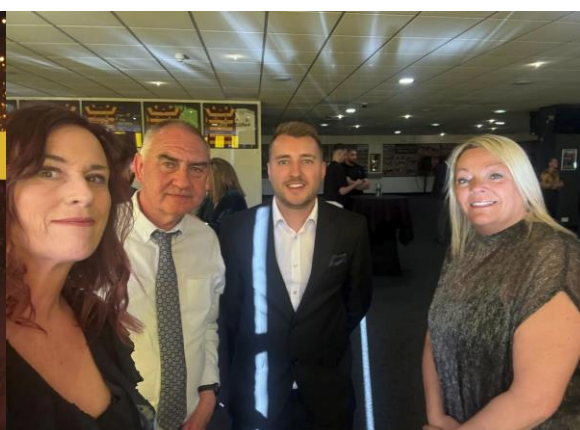
Well done to all the classes mentioned below- you all managed to beat 96.2% A great achievement!

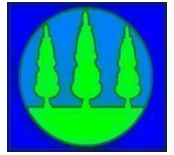
The whole school attendance for this week is:	95.21%
The whole school attendance for the school year is:	93.32%
The Phase 3 winners are:	Beech class with 98%
The classes who are above 96.2% are:	Rowan with 97.8%
The Phase 1 winners are:	Sunflowers with 97.9%
The classes who are above 96.2% are:	NFT with 96.9%
The Phase 2 winners are:	Elm with 97%
The classes who are above 96.2% are:	Willow with 96.6%



We are in the top 3 of Active Schools in this year's Bradford Sports Awards!

We attended the Awards Ceremony at Bradford City, Valley Parade on Thursday evening and although we didn't achieve the overall title, we were delighted to have been recognised. I was joined by Mr Mortimer (Chair of Governors), Mr Morris and Mrs Hawkins, who both do so much to make Poplars Farm so active! Well done to the whole school community.





DIARY

Important forthcoming dates



Monday 4 May 2026 – School closed-Bank holiday

w/c 5th May 2026 – Open Doors at Poplars Farm Primary. Please see the schedule.

Wednesday 6 May 2026 – Year 3 Saltaire Village Presentation

w/c 11 May 2026 – Year 6 SATs week

Tuesday 19 May 2026 – Year 5 Great Yorkshire Showground Trip

Thursday 21st May 2026 -Voices of the Elders sharing event 3.30pm and 5.30pm

Thursday 21 May 2026- Year 1 ‘Animal Club’ Workshop

Friday 22 May 2026 - School closes for Summer Half Term

Thursday 11 June 2026 – Reception Eye Vision Test

Saturday 13 June 2026 – Poplars Community Picnic Event- more information will be provided

Wednesday 17 June 2026 – Whole School Road Safety Lessons

Wednesday 24 June 2026 – Year 3 Road Safety Practical Lessons

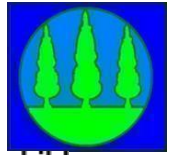
Thursday 25 June 2026- St George’s Trip

Wc 29 June 2026 – Bikeability Week

We would like to welcome Ms S Moscardini to Poplars Farm and to teaching Rowan Class.

Ms Moscardini has been working over the past few weeks with Ms Riley, to enable a smooth transition. Ms Riley has now started her maternity leave- we wish her all the very best and we look forward to meeting her new bundle of joy!





Open Doors at Poplars Farm w/c 5 May 2026- start the day with your child

We are delighted to invite parents/carers into school.

Each session will last around 15 minutes to enable parents/carers to visit different classes.

Day and time	Classes
Tuesday 5 th May at 9.00 am	Oak and Sycamore (Year 3)
Tuesday 5 th May at 9.15 am	Rowan and Beech (Year 5)
Tuesday 5 th May at 2.45 pm	Sunflowers (Reception)
Wednesday 6 th May at 9.00 am	Elm and Pine (Year 2)
Wednesday 6 th May at 9.15 am	Birch and Ash (Year 1)
Wednesday 6 th May at 2.45 pm	Bluebells (Reception)
Thursday 7 th May at 9.00 am	Cedar (Year 4) and Willow (Year 4)

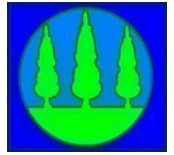
YEAR 6 OPEN DOORS WILL BE ARRANGED AFTER SATS EXAMS.

Nursery Open Doors will be scheduled for a different week/date. More details will be provided soon.

Years 2 and 3 mini football event at GOALS

The children showed their GROW values throughout and developed their collaborative skills at this multi-school event. Well done team Poplars!





New School Meal Menu- commencing 13th April 2026

Week 1: 13th Apr, 4th May, 28th May, 15th Jun, 6th Jul, 27th Jul, 17th Aug, 7th Sep, 28th Sep, 19th Oct

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

Selection of cold Sandwiches served daily.

Poplars Farm Primary School Menu

Mon

- ProVeg Beef & Red Lentil Bolognese & Garlic Bread**
Red Tractor accredited Beef Mince & Lentils in a Tomato & Vegetable Sauce, served with Pasta & Garlic Bread.
- Soya Mince Chili with Rice & Nachos**
Soya Mince in a spicy Tomato Sauce, served with Rice & Nachos.
- American-style Quorn Hot Dog**
Quorn Sausage served in a Bun, with Seasonal Potatoes.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Lemon Shortcake & Custard**
A rich Shortbread finger with a hint of Lemon, served with Custard.

Tue

- Pork & Apple Whirl**
Red Tractor Accredited Sausage Meat and Apples, encased in Pastry.
- Halal Chicken & Spinach**
Red Tractor Accredited HMC Chicken & Spinach in a Tomato based Curry Sauce, served with Basmati Rice / Naan Bread.
- Pomodoro Pasta**
A simple, delicious, rich Tomato Sauce with Beans, served with Crusty Bread.
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll**
- Sprinkle Cake**
Homemade reduced sugar / Vanilla Sponge, lightly topped with water icing and Sprinkles.

Wed

- Roast Meat Dinner**
Red Tractor Accredited Meat (either Gammon, Turkey or Pork Loin) served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy.
- Halal Roast Chicken Breast**
Red Tractor accredited HMC Chicken Breast, served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Vegan Gravy.
- Golden Cheese Roll**
Cheese mix wrapped in Puff Pastry, served with Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables.
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll**
- Decorated Fruit Jelly**
Jelly with Fruit, topped with Fresh Cream.

Thu

- MSC Breadcr Fish Fillet Fingers**
MSC Fish Fillet Fingers, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- MSC Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake**
MSC Salmon & Sweet Potato, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Arrabiata Pasta**
Chilli Tomato Sauce with Lentils & Peppers, served with Pasta & Crusty Bread.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce**
Homemade, light Chocolate Sponge, served with Chocolate Sauce.

Fri

- Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza**
Wholemeal 50/50 base, topped with a lightly spiced Sauce and topped with Mozzarella / Cheddar Cheese, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Baked Tortilla Wrap with Julienne of Veg**
Vegetables in a Sauce, topped with Cheese in a Tortilla wrap. Served hot with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Vanilla Cookie**
Custard flavoured Cookie.

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Week 2: 20th Apr, 11th May, 1st Jun, 22nd Jun, 13th Jul, 3rd Aug, 24th Aug, 14th Sep, 8th Oct, 26th Oct

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

Selection of cold Sandwiches served daily.

Poplars Farm Primary School Menu

Mon

- ProVeg Mild Chicken Curry**
Indian inspired aromatic Red Tractor Chicken, Sweet Potato & Vegetable Curry, served with Rainbow Rice.
- ProVeg Creamy Mac & Cheese**
A Macaroni Pasta dish, coated in a creamy Mature Cheddar Sauce, served with Crusty Bread.
- Mascarpone Pasta**
A creamy Sauce with Tomatoes, Mascarpone Cheese and Herbs, served with Crusty Bread.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Paris Sandwich**
A light, sweet Pastry with Jam, sandwiched in between, served with Custard.

Tue

- Super Savoury Roll**
Fillet Puff Pastry with a seasoned filling, served with Seasoned Potatoes.
- Homemade BBQ Quorn with Rice**
Quorn Pieces in a Barbecue flavoured Tomato Sauce, served with Rainbow Rice.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll**
- Peaches & Ice Cream with Syrup**
Vanilla Ice Cream with Tinned Peach Slices, with a Chocolate flavoured Syrup.

Wed

- Roast Meat Dinner**
Red Tractor Accredited Meat (either Gammon, Turkey or Pork Loin) served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy.
- Halal Roast Chicken Breast**
Red Tractor accredited HMC Chicken Breast, served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Vegan Gravy.
- Toad in the Hole**
Quorn Sausage, baked in a light Batter, served with Roast Potatoes.
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll**
- Lemon Drizzle**
A Ruffy Lemon Sponge with Icing Drizzle, served with optional Custard.

Thu

- Beef Burger in a Bun**
Red Tractor Accredited Beef & Spinach Burger, served in a Bun with Chips / Baked Potato Wedges.
- Halal Chicken Burger in a Bun**
Red Tractor accredited HMC Chicken Burger, served in a Bread Roll with Salad and Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Quorn Patisserie Burger in a Bun**
Quorn Sausage-style Pattie, served in a Breadcake with baked Jacket Wedges / Chips.
- Pomodoro Pasta**
A simple, delicious, rich Tomato Sauce with Beans, served with Crusty Bread.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Marble Sponge & Chocolate Sauce**
Homemade Sponge with Icing of both Vanilla & Chocolate Cakes, served with Chocolate Sauce.

Fri

- Tuna & Sweetcorn Pizza**
Wholemeal 50/50 base, topped with a lightly spiced Sauce and topped with Mozzarella / Cheddar Cheese & Tuna, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza**
Wholemeal 50/50 base, topped with a lightly spiced Sauce and topped with Mozzarella / Cheddar Cheese, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Gailydale Biscuits**
Homemade, crumbly, Daily Biscuit.

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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.

Poplars Farm Primary School Menu

Mon

- ProVeg Rich & Creamy Meat Lasagne**
Red Tractor Accredited Beef Mince in a rich Tomato Sauce with Vegetables, Herbs & Garlic, layered with Pasta Sheets & a Creamy Cheese Sauce, served with Garlic Bread.
- Rich & Creamy Vegetarian Mince Lasagne**
Soya Mince & Vegetables in a rich Tomato Sauce with Vegetables, Herbs & Garlic, layered with Pasta Sheets & a Creamy Cheese Sauce, served with Garlic Bread.
- Homemade BBQ Quorn with Rice**
Quorn Pieces in a Barbecue flavoured Tomato Sauce, served with Rainbow Rice.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Flapjack**
A sweet Bar made with Oats, Golden Syrup & Butter.

Tue

- Traditional Chicken Pie**
Red Tractor Accredited diced Chicken Pieces in a rich Gravy with Vegetables, topped with a Golden Pastry Lid, served with Potatoes.
- Golden Cheese Whirl**
Cheese, Potato & Onion, encased in Puff Pastry, served with Seasoned Potatoes.
- Arrabiata Pasta**
Chilli Tomato Sauce with Lentils & Peppers, served with Pasta & Crusty Bread.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll**
- Strawberry Sponge & Custard**
Homemade, light Vanilla Sponge with a Strawberry Jam Swirl, served with Custard.

Wed

- Sausage Pie**
Red Tractor Accredited Sausage in Gravy, topped with Cheesy Mashied Potatoes, served with Yorkshire Pudding.
- Halal Roast Chicken Breast**
Red Tractor accredited HMC Chicken Breast, served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Vegan Gravy.
- Quorn Roast Dinner**
Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Vegan Gravy.
- Selection of Sandwiches / Hot Sub Roll**
- Pears & Ice Cream with Syrup**
Vanilla Ice Cream with Tinned Peach Slices, with a Chocolate flavoured Syrup.

Thu

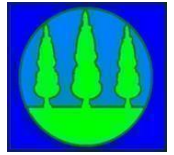
- MSC Breadcr Fish Fillet Fingers**
MSC Fish Fillet Fingers, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Vegetable Pakoras**
Mixed Vegetables & Onion coated in Tempura Batter, served with Chips / Baked Jacket Wedges & Raita.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce**
Homemade, light Chocolate Sponge, served with Chocolate Sauce.

Fri

- Classic Cheese & Tomato Pizza**
Wholemeal 50/50 base, topped with a lightly spiced Sauce and topped with Mozzarella / Cheddar Cheese, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Mini Power Ball Pizza**
Wholemeal 50/50 base topped with a lightly spiced Sauce, and topped with Mozzarella / Cheddar Cheese & Meatless Balls, served with Chips / Jacket Wedges.
- Assorted Jacket Potatoes / Selection of Sandwiches**
- Butterfly Buns**
Individual, decorated Sponge-based Buns.

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Summer 1

MONDAY	Kids With Bricks Club – Reception-Year 6
TUESDAY	Multi Sports Club – Year 2 Express to Impress Girls Dance Club – Year 6 Girls Football Club- Year 3-4-5-6
WEDNESDAY	Choir Creative Writing Club-Year 4-5-6 <u>Benchball</u> Club- Year 4-5
THURSDAY	STARBOOK Reading Club – Year 3-Year 4 Study Club – Year 6 Gardening Club- Year 3
FRIDAY	Football Club – Year 5

Wraparound Care - Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club:

Breakfast Club is for pupils in Nursery (ONLY 4 years old and above), Reception to Year6. It runs daily from 7.45am until the start of school. Our After School Club runs daily for pupils from Reception to Year 6 from 3.15 pm until 6 pm.

Children who are in receipt of PPG are attending the breakfast club at no cost.

If you would like your child to attend the after-school club provision, please email the school office, office@poplarsfarm.bradford.sch.uk stating your child/children's names, classes and dates you would like your child to attend the provision including their pick up

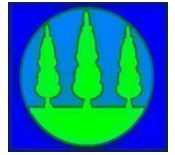
(FSM children no charge, this does not include UIFSM)

Afterschool Club – 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm collection -£4.00 per session which includes a drink and light snack Afterschool Club – 15:15 pm up to 18:00 pm collection - £6.00 per session which includes tea.

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.



SCHOOL MILK PROVIDERS - Our school milk company, COOL MILK

Please find our milk company's Details for your information. Your child is eligible for free school milk If they are under 5 years old or eligible for free school meals.

If you would like your child to have milk in school, please go to www.coolmilk.com and register your child.

Please note that following the registration of your child, it might take up to 2 weeks for the company to process your order before your child starts to have milk in school.



Community Linkage

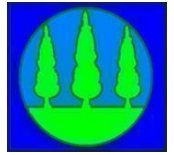


This is a great community initiative brought to my attention by George Zito, Young Persons Mental Health Coordinator who works with groups of children in school:

This is a new space designed to support families experiencing food poverty by providing a safe, warm, fun and nourishing weekly space for them to gather, and access food supplies and wellbeing support. For a contribution of £4 per week, families will be able to build their own food parcel, including fresh produce. Our cafe will also be open, serving hot meals for a low cost, to those attending.

If you work with anyone you feel would benefit from the initiative, then please do circulate the information provided below. I have also attached our flyer and some social media graphics - any and all support would be much appreciated!

Where: The City Hub, 36 Valley Parade, Bradford, BD8 7DZ **When:** Every Tuesday, 3.30pm - 5.30pm, starting Tuesday 20th January



Family Engagement Project

SEND Parent and Carer Coffee Morning

Join our community of parents and carers of children aged 0-10 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities or emerging needs for informal advice and support.

Helpful advice and support

Meet other SEND parents

Signposting to services

Free refreshments

Children welcome

Come and join us at our next session!
Wednesday 20th May
10.00am - 11.30am
Kirkgate Community Centre, 39A Kirkgate, Shipley, BD18 3EH

To register with the project, scan the QR code or visit our Facebook page - Mencap Family Engagement Project Bradford and follow the link. For further information email us at: BradfordFEP@mencap.org.uk



Parent and Carer Support Group

From the Mental Health Support Team

Our online Parent and Carer Support Group offers a safe and welcoming space to explore ways of supporting your child's emotional wellbeing, and your own.

Each half term, we cover a new wellbeing topic inspired by the Five Ways to Wellbeing, and share practical tips and ideas. It's also a chance to connect with other parents, share experiences, and support one another.

This half-term's topic:

Keep Learning – Feel it, Name it, Tame it

This session will focus on helping parents and carers support young people in understanding and managing emotions. Together we will share simple, practical ways to help young people recognise, name, and respond to big feelings.

Date: **Wednesday 6th May 2026**
 Times: 10:30am or 7:00pm
 Platform: **Microsoft Teams**

To register your interest and receive a joining link, please email: mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com



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W: www.bdct.nhs.uk

T: @BDCFT

Who: Families with children aged 11 or under in Bradford and the wider area who would like to access food and wellbeing support. Here is the registration form:
<https://forms.gle/VMih95BsSrW34ELW8>

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Supporting Your Neurodivergent Child with Confidence

A 6-Week Workshop for Parents & Caregivers

Are you raising a **neurodivergent child** and looking for **understanding**, support, and practical guidance?

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What the Workshop is About

- ✓ Understanding Neurodivergence
- ✓ Connecting with Your Child
- ✓ Sharing & Learning Together
- ✓ Reflecting on Challenges & Strengths

What You'll Gain

- ✓ Practical Strategies
- ✓ Build Confidence
- ✓ Deeper Understanding
- ✓ Supportive Community

Why Attend?

You are not alone. Grow, learn, and connect with fellow parents in a safe, supportive space.

📅 6 Week Program

🕒 10am - 12pm every Wednesday

📍 Mayfield Centre, Bradford, BD5 9NP

✉ Email: info@step2.org.uk

For More Info & To Register:
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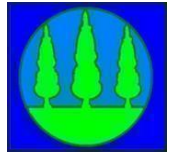
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SEND FAMILY PLAY SESSIONS

Refreshments and snacks provided

11AM - 2PM
5-14 YRS

SESSIONS ARE FORTNIGHTLY CHECK EVENTPRITE FOR DATES

£3 PER CHILD

Outdoor Adventure play
Sensory Play, Low Level Woodwork, Arts & Crafts, Free Play, Messy Play, Trampolines, Zipline & The Big Swing
NUMBERS ARE LIMITED PRE BOOKING ESSENTIAL

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School Holiday Park Day

SEN focused day for kids/teens/young adults.

Activities include football, sensory play tubs & toys suitable for all ages, packed lunch picnic, fun outside with friends/parents/siblings.

A free drop in day @ Lister Park, BD9 4PX
Wednesday 27th May from 12 - 3pm.

Meet in the sports area.