

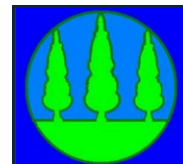
Together we aspire, learn and GROW
 Welcome to this week's newsletter
GROW assembly focus:
International Day of Peace

Congratulations to ALL our Wonderful Workers



**Team
Merit
Points**





Remember, children who are workers of the week now gain 200 team merit points each for their charity.



Our current overall leading team is RSPB with 15,263 points and this week's winning team is Wildlife Trust with 4,450 points. Well Done!



Week ending -01/10/2026

This week's attendance – **95.99%**

Whole school attendance since September 2026-- **96.2%**

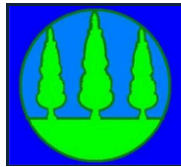
Classes whose attendance was above 96.2% this week: Beech, Elder, Hazel, Rowan, Birch, Ash, Bluebells, NFT, Sunflowers, Oak, Sycamore, Willow, Elm and Pine.

ATTENDANCE

Well done Noor!

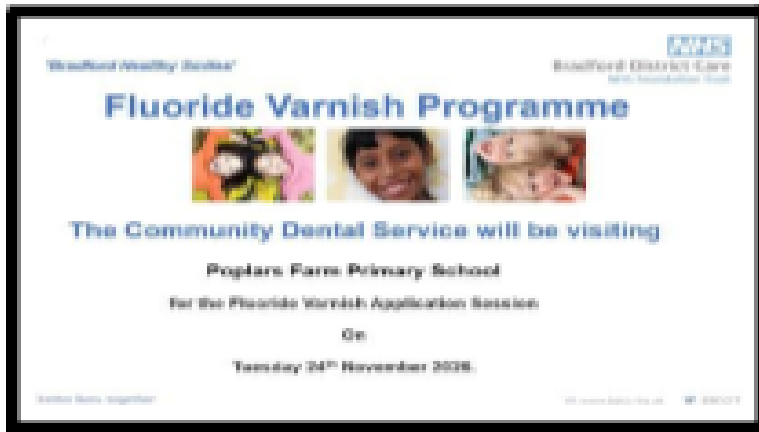
It's always great to receive news of achievements outside of school. We are very proud of Noor in Year 5, as she climbed Pen-y-Ghent mountain last weekend with her dad. It took over 15 thousand steps and she climbed it in one hour 10 minutes! This really is a great achievement and what's more she wants to do it again, but next time for charity. You've met all the GROW values Noor-well done, we are proud of you!

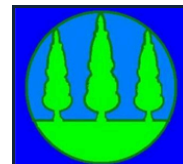




Fluoride Varnish Programme for Nursery, Reception and Year 1 students

Leaflets will be given out by NHS nurses later in November.





DIARY

Thursday 8 October 2026 – Whole School Photography

Monday 12 October 2026 and Wednesday 14 October 2026 – Parent Consultation Evenings

Thursday 15 October 2026 – 5 pm- 7 pm- PUBLIC MEETING to discuss the building of new houses & road on the quarry and next to school. We hope you will join us.

Sunday 18th October-Thursday 22nd October: international visit to Moldova with our Ukrainian partner school for a group of children in Y5/6

Friday 23 October 2026 – School closes for half-term

Monday 2 November 2026 – School reopens

Friday 6 November 2026 – Nasal Flu Immunisations

Thursday 12 November 2026 – Open Day for children due to start Reception in September 2027

Tuesday 24 November 2026 – Fluoride Vanish for Nursery-Reception and Year 1

25-27 November 2026– Year 6 Residential School Trip

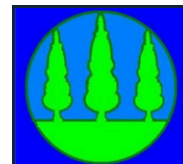
Monday 30 November 2026 – School is closed-Training Day

Tuesday, 1 December 2026 – Year 4 Bagshaw Museum Trip

Friday 18 December 2026 – School closed for Christmas break

Tuesday 5 January 2027 – School reopens

Thursday 7 January 2027 - How the Grinch Stole Christmas – The Musical at Leeds Playhouse!



ONLY for Potential Reception starters for September 2027

Poplars Farm Primary
Open day for potential
Reception starters for September 2027
Thursday 12 November 2026
 1:30pm-2:30pm and 5pm-6pm
 (Appointment Only)

Information for parents/carers with tours and talks
 throughout the day

Please contact the school office on 01274 307490 or email
 office@poplarsfarm.bradford.sch.uk to book a tour.

Is your child
eligible for
Free School
Meals?

School Meals Prices from August 2026

School Dinners Menu

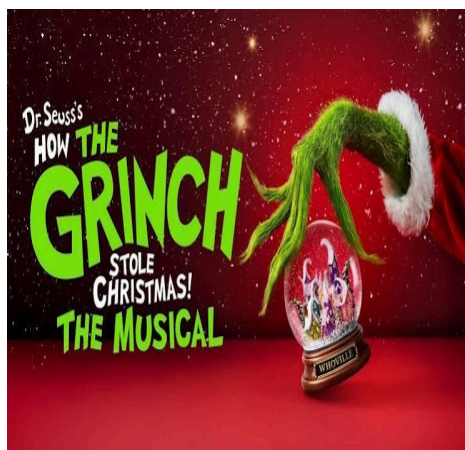
Please follow the link below for our dinner menu:

<https://www.poplarsfarm.bradford.sch.uk/info-for-parents/school-dinners>

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

Nursery	£2.46 (Per Meal)
Primary	£2.66 (Per Meal)

Dr. Seuss's *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* – The Musical at Leeds Playhouse! - 7 January 2027



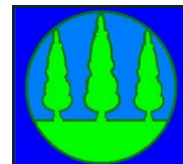
We are absolutely delighted to announce that we have booked an exciting trip for the children to see **Dr. Seuss's *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* – The Musical** at Leeds Playhouse!

The trip will take place on **Thursday 7th January 2027**, and the cost will be **£23.60 per child**. Please follow the steps below to secure a place for your child:

1. Complete the registration form, see the link below (each child requires an individual registration) <https://forms.gle/8YhzcCd7SAFTFgMt7>
2. Make a payment of **£23.60** per child on Parent Pay (each child requires individual payments on ParentPay)

Please note your child's/children's place will only be confirmed by email once we have received the completed registration form and payment on ParentPay. Please note that

this trip is only for children in Reception to Year 6.



Can I apply for free school meals?

Free school meals provide vital nutrition for children during the school day and play an important role in supporting health, wellbeing, and learning. From September 2026 eligibility will be expanded so that all households receiving Universal Credit will qualify for Free School Meals. This change removes the current £7,400 income cap and is expected to benefit over half a million additional pupils nationwide.

If you think the new criteria apply to your household and either parent/carer receives Universal Credit, please visit

www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals/ for further information.

How to apply: Please click on the link below and enter your details

<https://www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals>

If your application is approved, the council will notify the school of the start date of their Free School Meals entitlement, and the school will contact you via email. Please be aware that your child will not be eligible for Free School Meals until the school receives the entitlement notification from Bradford Council.



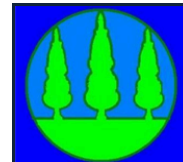
BAKE SALE

A bake sale to raise funds for the group of children travelling to Moldova to meet children from our Ukrainian partner school in October.

WE RAISED £462.55

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.





SCHOOL MILK PROVIDERS - Our school milk company - COOL MILK



FREE and subsidised school milk
Register your child today!

Is your child entitled to FREE milk?

Child under 5?
Every child under the age of five is entitled to FREE school milk.
Register your child online for FREE school milk today.

Child over 5?
Every child over the age of five is entitled to milk at a subsidised price of around £18 per term.
Register online now and you can pay straight away!

Register your child for school milk today.
Sign them up in a few clicks...

Go online and quickly register your child for school milk at www.coolmilk.com

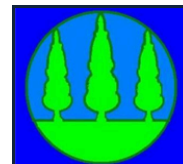
Need help? Contact our Customer Service team on 0800 321 3248 or via email at registrations@coolmilk.com

The UK government continues to support school milk. Milk for under 5s is free, whilst for 5-16 years it's subsidised. Milk for over 16 is purchased by parents via the School Milk Scheme. Company registered in the UK. ©2025 Cool Milk.

Cool Milk
www.coolmilk.com

Please find our new 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 <https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/> and register your child. Please note following the registration of your child, it takes 2 weeks for the company to process your order before your child starts to have milk in school.



Extra Curricular Club



Autumn 1

MONDAY	Kids With Bricks Club – Reception-Year 6 Football Club – Year 6 Swimming Club – Year 1
TUESDAY	Swimming Club - Year 2 Multi Sports Club – Year 5
WEDNESDAY	Choir Swimming Club – Year 3 Sewing Club – Year 5 and Year 6
THURSDAY	Swimming Club – Year 3-Year 4 Gardening Club – Year 3
FRIDAY	Swimming Club - Year 5 Drama Club – Year 1-2-3

Holidays in term time

PLEASE READ THE NEW GOVERNMENT FRAMEWORK ON ATTENDANCE:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/08/19/fines-for-parents-for-taking-children-out-of-school-what-you-need-to-know/>

We have already received requests for holidays in term time during this first week back in school!

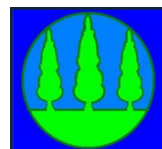
From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country will be £80 if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 22-28 days. In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160. Fines per parent will be capped at two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

If you're prosecuted and attend court because your child hasn't been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Money raised via fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government. The money is not given to the school.

We hope that you will look at the calendar on the school website for 2026-27 to check when our school holidays are planned before booking your holiday or trip abroad. **Please make sure you make an appointment to see Mrs Speak after having completed the request form.**

Please follow the link for the request form

https://onlineforms.bradford.gov.uk/ufs/SchoolLeaveRequest.eb?ebd=0&ebz=1_1788526_412034



Wraparound Care - Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club:

Breakfast Club is for pupils in Nursery (ONLY 4 years old and above), Reception to Year 6. 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 3:15pm until 6pm.

Children who are in receipt of PPG/FSM are attend the breakfast club at no cost. If you would like your child to attend the afterschool club provision starting from 2 September 2026, please email the school office, complete and return the wraparound care forms to the school office stating your child/children's names, classes and dates you would like your child to attend the provision including their pick-up times.

Please follow the link for the forms :<https://www.poplarsfarm.bradford.sch.uk/info-for-parents/new-parents> then click on Before and After School Club booking form and policy.

Please note that if your child or children's Parent Pay account does not have sufficient funds for them to attend the breakfast and after-school club, we will not be able to offer them a place.(FSM children no charge; this does not include UIF)

After School Club – 15:15 pm – 16:30 pm collection- £4.00 per session which includes a drink and light snack

After School 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!

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.

Breakfast Club – 7:45 am – Start of School - £2.50 per session, which includes breakfast

Kids With Bricks After School Club at Poplars Farm Primary School

We are pleased to be able to offer our Kids With Bricks after-school club running from 7th September 2026 every Monday for 7 weeks between 3:15pm – 4:15pm. This club is open for years, Reception – YR 6, and there are a maximum of 19 spaces available.

BOOK ONLINE OR SCAN THE QR CODE!

Kids with Bricks – Autumn Term 1, 2026

Bookings are open for our Tuesday after-school club! Spaces are limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis.



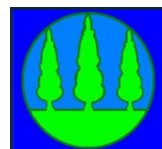
All club places are reserved and paid for online. Just go to <http://www.kidswithbricks.com> to book your child's place.



Our primary way of contacting parents/carers is via text

and email. If you have changed your mobile number or e-mail





address, please ensure you inform us.

Thank you. You will find our Twitter/X page on the home page of the school website-this shares c
current news and events @PoplarsFarmSch

Thank you for your support, with warm wishes,

Mrs J Speak (Headteacher)

Community Linkage

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- ✓ Minimum 300 minutes a day of physical activity

Ways to save

- ✓ Sibling discount: 10% off any additional siblings and full week booking discount
- ✓ Check your eligibility for government schemes like tax-free childcare accounts, vouchers, universal credit payback and similar schemes at beststartinlife.gov.uk
- ✓ Loyalty offers

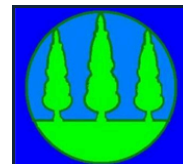
What to bring
Children only need weather appropriate clothes, a packed lunch, snack and water bottle.

Kanga will take care of the fun!

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FOOTBALL CAMPS

BRADFORD | 26-30 OCTOBER

HOME OF BRADFORD CITY AFC WOMEN!

CARLTON BOLLING
26-29 OCTOBER
9.30AM - 3.30PM

MARLEY STADIUM
26-30 OCTOBER
9.30AM - 3.30PM

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FOOTBALL CAMPS

BRADFORD | 26-30 OCTOBER
9.30AM - 3.30PM | AGES 5-12 | ALL ABILITIES

MARLEY STADIUM
AIREWORTH RD, BD21 4DB
26-30 OCTOBER

CARLTON BOLLING
UNDERCLIFFE LN, BRADFORD, BD3 0DU
26-29 OCTOBER

PACKAGES + PRICING:

- £25 PER DAY
- £100 FOR FIVE DAYS (MARLEY STADIUM)
- £80 FOR FOUR DAYS (CARLTON BOLLING)
- 20% SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE
- CARLTON BOLLING - EARLY DROP OFF (8.30AM) - £7.50
- CARLTON BOLLING - LATE PICK UP (5PM) - £7.50

EXTRA-SPECIAL DAYS

MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER:
SHOOTING STARS DAYS
 A day of shooting skills, with special prizes for effort and development!

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER:
TRICKS + SKILLS DAYS
 Show off your skills and tricks with the ball, with special prizes for effort and development!

THURSDAY 29TH OCTOBER:
WORLD CUP DAY (CARLTON BOLLING)
 In-house competitions, with prizes for the winners!

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER:
WORLD CUP DAY (MARLEY STADIUM)
 In-house competitions, with prizes for the winners!

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The Incredible Years

Incredible Years Preschool Programme

For parents and carers of children aged 3-4 years who live in the Bradford District.

- Routines and behaviour
- Child development
- School readiness
- Speech and language
- Relationships and interaction

The Incredible Years Pre-School Programme will be delivered at

Barkerend Family Hub
365 Barkerend Rd BD3 8QX

Dates: Tuesday 22nd September 2026 until Tuesday 26th January 2027

Times: 12.30PM - 2.30PM

Your facilitators will be: Najam Shafi and Salma Vachhiat
 Sessions will not run in the school holidays

Find out more or book a place: fyi.bradford.gov.uk
 You can also email IY@barnardos.org.uk
 Or call 01274 513300

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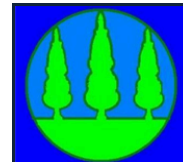
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POPLARS FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Autumn Term 1 NEWSLETTER from W/C 28 September 2026



Bradford East Locality Family Hub

Barkerend Family Hub

305 Barkerend Road, BD10 9GK
Gateway Family Hub
43 Thackeray Road, Ravenscliffe, BD10 6JR

We also deliver services at:

Communityworks
Undercliffe Lane, BD3 8DW
Canterbury Nursery School
Basil Street, Canterbury, BD5 9HL
Fagley Primary School
Falgrove Avenue, BD2 3PU
Eccleshill Library
Botton Road, BD2 4GR
St John's Church
Neville Road, BD4 8TU
Rockwell Centre
Summerfield Road, BD10 8DP
Lalaterlyke Youth & Community Centre
Marshe Street, BD3 8BP
Shine at St Stephens Church
BD5 7DX

For more information
on where we are and
what we do, scan the
QR code or visit
fhl.bradford.gov.uk



Get in touch

Call us on 01274 437523 (open Mon-Thur
8.30am-5pm, 8.30am-4.30pm Fri)
Visit us at www.bradford.gov.uk/familyhub
Email us at FamilyHub@bradford.gov.uk



Parenting programmes

We have a range of fantastic parenting programmes for parents, carers and teens including online courses that you can access 'on demand', day or night, pause and come back to whenever suits you and groups that you can attend 'live' with other people or families, delivered both online and in person.

You don't need a referral from another service, you can apply yourself on fhl.bradford.gov.uk (select 'parenting programmes pathway') or call us.

Digital Spaces

Do you need time, access to a laptop, or help to get online? Maybe you need to study, apply for a job, a school place or look for housing?

At Barkerend and Gateway Family Hubs, you can access free wifi on your own device or book a session to use our computers and quiet space headphones and printing facilities.

We can also give you support with getting online if you need it. Give us a call to book a session, message us on social media or send us an email.

FREE SIM cards

We can now provide 8 months of data to families who need it. For more information please contact us or pop in to Barkerend or Gateway Hubs and see one of our lovely Family Navigators!

Both registrations - scan the QR code to the left of the page, click 'New' if using the immediate registration or call 01274 437523 for an appointment.
SEND Community Support Team - Support for children/young people with Special Educational Needs (SEND), including difficulties, communication, speech and language development, relationship issues, information on education and learning and more. Call us for an appointment.
SEND Parent Carer Coffee Morning - A place for parent carers to share experiences and get support.
Relay and Midlife Clinics - including Clear inside clinic. Speak to your midwife for an appointment.
Maternity Clinic - drop in, we run a wide range of sessions to support pregnant mums and those with children under 2.
Stop and Play - Session for you school children and parent/carer offering the chance to socialise and play for 15 minutes.
Kids Time Workshop - a friendly group space for families where parents or carers experiencing a mental health difficulty and their children come together to explore mental health through creative activities and peer support. Places and transport provided. Referral only, call Mind on 01274 758813 for more information.
Well Baby/Weighing Clinic - For an appointment, call the Health visiting service on 01274 437523 or text chat health on 01274 437523.
Early Help drop-in - Come speak to our friendly family navigators, we can welcome you to our Family Hub, find groups and activities and signpost to services and support.
Emotionally Based School Avoidance - support group for parents whose child is struggling to go to school due to feelings of worry or stress. Booking a specialist email avoidance@bradford.gov.uk or call 01274 437523.
Educational Dispute - for parents/carers of children 5 to 16, how to get support with school attendance concerns. It's a safe space for you to discuss worries, connect with support services, and receive advice from attendance support workers. No booking required, email avoidance@bradford.gov.uk or call 01274 437523.
Inside-out drop-in sessions - for professionals working with families who are currently impacted by homelessness, as well as housing advice around the advice police system is impacted by having a loved one currently in prison. This can be from, one to one or a group.

Bradford East Locality Family Hub - September 2026 Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Midwife Clinics (Barkerend) Sensory Room (Barkerend) Stop and Play Barkerend Centre 9.15am to 11.15am (term time only) SEND parent carer's resource coffee morning Barkerend, 14th Sept 10.30am to 12 noon Maternity Clinic St Andrew's Church BD2 4HG 10am to 12 noon Early Help drop-in Barkerend Centre 10th and 20th Sept 1pm to 3pm (term time only) Maternity Clinic Community Works 12.30pm to 2pm	Midwife Clinics (Barkerend) Sensory Room (Barkerend) Well Baby/Weigh in Clinic Barkerend, 9.30am to 11.30am Education drop-in Barkerend 10th and 20th Sept 10am to 12 noon Inside-out drop-in sessions Barkerend, 15th Sept 10am to 11.30am Sensory Room Launch Barkerend, 22nd Sept (Contact the Hub for info/booking) Play and Learn Eccleshill Library 1pm to 2pm (term time only) Well Baby/Weigh in Clinic (appointment only) St John's Church, BD4 8TU 2pm to 3.30pm Maternity Clinic Community Works 12.30pm to 2pm	Midwife Clinics (Barkerend) Sensory Room (Barkerend) Register the birth of your baby at Barkerend (appointment only) Dad's Stop and Play Barkerend Centre 10am to 12 noon (term time only) Early Feeding Support Sessions Gateway 10am to 12 noon Well Baby/Weighing Clinic Gateway 9.30am to 11.30am Health Visitor Development Barkerend (by invitation) 9.30am to 12 noon Maternity Clinic Gateway 9.30am to 11.30am Play and Learn Community Works 12.40pm to 2.15pm (term time only) Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA) parent support group Online via MS Teams 30th Sept, 1pm - 2.30pm	Midwife Clinics (Barkerend) Sensory Room (Barkerend) Stop and Play Barkerend 9.30am to 11am (term time only) SEND Community Support Team (COST) Barkerend, 8am to 3pm (no Sept appointment only) SEND Coffee Morning Fagley Primary School 18th September 9.15am to 10.15am Well Baby/Weigh in Clinic Wrose Health Centre, BD23 7GU (appointment only) 9.30am to 11.30am Play and Learn Burnett Fields 10th, 17th and 24th Sept 9.30am to 11am Maternity Clinic Midwife Clinics, BD1 2HG 10am to 11.30am Education drop-in Gateway, 24th Sept 10am to 12 noon Early Help drop-in Canterbury Nursery School 10th and 20th Sept 12.30pm to 2.30pm KidsTime Workshop Barkerend, 10th Sept 3pm to 7pm (referral only) call us	Midwife Clinics (Barkerend) Sensory Room (Barkerend) Maternity Clinic Rockwell Centre BD10 8DP 10am to 12 noon Stop and Play Session Fagley Primary 11th, 18th and 25th Sept 10am to 11.30am

Is your child struggling to go to school due to feelings of worry or stress?

Are you unsure about what to do?



Why not join a parent support session for Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA), delivered by our friendly, supportive Educational Psychologist Team.

You'll find a safe space to:

- Share and listen to other parents and get ideas to help
- Learn more about what you can do to support your child, and what you can expect from school

Location: Online

Dates: Wednesday 30th September to Wednesday 21st October 2026, from 1.00pm to 2.30pm.

You will need to be able to attend all 4 sessions

Book: by e-mailing EBSA@bradford.gov.uk

