



POPPY NEWS

WELCOME BACK

Hello and welcome back. We hope you have had a lovely Christmas. It has been wonderful to see the school come back to life as we begin a new term together. Our Friday family celebration assemblies will continue and we will contact parents by telephone if your child has been selected

ATTENDANCE

If your child will be absent from school, please ensure you have informed school before the school day starts. This will then stop us from having to contact you. If you cannot call school, please let Mrs Hewitt, the school Attendance Officer know via ClassDojo. Messages **MUST NOT** be sent to class teacher. Please remember, if you hit the specified number of absences with no reason, this can lead to a notice to improve being submitted to Educational Welfare.

COMMUNICATION

Now that the weather has taken a cold turn, can we please remind all parents to make sure you are signed up on Arbor and Dojo. If there are any issues with school or home time arrangements, this is the way we will let parents know what is happening. If you need any help to register for any of these , please call into the main school office.



THIS HALF TERM

JANUARY

5th - School opens

15th - Special reading
lunch menu

26th - Individual photo day

28th - Reception Maths
workshop

FEBRUARY

6th - NSPCC Number day

12th - School closes

13th - Inset day

23rd - School opens



NSPCC NUMBER DAY

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on Friday 6th February 2026. We are having a fun day of maths activities. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it or you could get creative by dressing as a number or a pattern. Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

UNIFORM

We would like to kindly remind everyone of our uniform expectations to ensure consistency and a sense of belonging for all students. While school-logo items are not required, we do expect students to wear clothing in the designated school colours. This helps promote a unified and respectful school environment. For your convenience, a full list of our uniform guidelines can be found on the school website. Please support school by ensuring your child comes in the correct PE kit on their allocated PE day. We greatly appreciate your support in helping us maintain these standards.

Meet the Assistant Head Teachers



My name is Miss Walsham and I have worked at Poplar Street for the past five years. During this time, I have really enjoyed getting to know all of the children and having the pleasure of teaching many of them. I am delighted to be taking on the role of Assistant Head Teacher and am very much looking forward to this next step. I look forward to seeing you at the school gates both in the mornings and after school to say hello.

Miss Walsham
Assistant
Headteacher
Year 4 Class
Teacher



Fun facts about me:

- I have taught in several year groups
- I always start my day with a nice cup of tea
 - I love all things Disney
 - I am a Manchester United fan
- I cycled from London to Paris to challenge myself

Mrs Grundy

Assistant Headteacher



My name is Mrs Grundy. I have been a teacher for over 18 years and joined Poplar Street in September after teaching at another school within the Victorious Trust. I am excited to be taking on the role of Assistant Headteacher and Assessment Leader, as well as teaching in Year 6.

Fun Facts About Me:

- I love to travel to different countries.
- I have two children who are in year 4 and year 6
- Reading is one of my favourite past times and my favourite book is 'There's a boy in the girls bathroom' by Louis Sachar
- I have taught in a range of year groups across school.

