

Dates for your diary:

20th—23rd October—

Parent consultation
meetings

24th October—

Class JM Assembly
for parents

27th-31st Octo-
ber—Half-term

3rd November—
Non-pupil day

4th November—
Children in school

Friday 14th Novem-
ber—Children in
Need

Thursday 4th De-
cember—Full Gov-
erning Body meet-
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9th and 10th De-
cember—KS1 per-
formances

10th and 11th De-
cember—KS2 Carol
Service

16th December—
Christmas Lunch

19th December—
Term ends

Mr Vaughan's Update:

It's with great sadness that I start the first Poppleford Post of this year by telling you that Mrs Bettridge passed away earlier this week. As I am sure you will all understand many staff wish to attend her funeral which is **next Thursday**, this will mean that **school will be closing early at 1:45pm**. I hope you will all join us in taking a moment to think of Mr Bettridge at this time.

Messages for Parents

Parent Consultation meetings.

We are trying a different format for these meetings this term, teachers will now hold meetings on one day from 9:00am until 6pm. Sign up sheets for these will be up in the hall from Monday 13th October. Teachers will be holding their meetings on the following days;

Monday 20th October—Mr Morison and Mrs Winterburn

Tuesday 21st October—Mrs Turner and Mrs Stephen

Wednesday 22nd October—Mrs Coogan and Mrs Raffell/Mrs Hosken

Thursday 23rd October—Mrs Thomas

If you are unable to get into school to sign up for a time, please either email or call the office, so that they can arrange a time for you from Monday 13th October.

Messages for Parents

Stars of the Week:

Class AT—Owen

Farrington-Smith,

Lewis Davies

Class GH/MR—Finlay

Massie,

Alice Ridgway,

Chloe Wallace

Class HC—Jack

Scorey

Class AS—Chloe

Keys, Oscar Bond,

Sam Kennelly,

Frankie Parkin-Lovett

Class CW—Charlie

Farrington-Smith,

Chiquita Mason,

Sabina Scorey,

Bradley Horn

Class RT— Abi Keys,

Olly Lees

Class JM— Chloe

Wilkin, Saskia Neil

Medicines in school

Please note, in line with DCC policy, the only medicines which can be given to children in school, by school staff, are those that have been prescribed by a doctor and are clearly labelled showing this. Medicines which require children to have 3 doses a day, do not need to be administered in school as they can have a dose before school, after school and later that evening.

If you require your child to have any medication that is not prescribed by a doctor, you will need to make arrangements to come into school to administer the medicine yourself.

Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Parking

Could I please remind parents to park responsibly, avoiding parking on double yellow lines, as this allows children to cross roads safely and walk to school safely. We have been advised that the local parking enforcement officer will be in the area periodically.

School Pupil tracker

Please note that the parent login for school pupil tracker has had to be disabled. This is due to the introduction of the new national curriculum. With the introduction of the new curriculum, children are now assessed against these new criteria. Therefore, new judgements have to be built about each individual child. Alongside this the government have scrapped the old level system, as they felt that many parents struggled to understand that system. Schools will now take this year to devise their own systems for this. We will later in the school year be writing again to all parents to explain our new assessment system and at that time we should again be opening up pupil tracker for parents use.