Let Your Light Shine Matthew 5:16

Canon Popham C of E Primary Academy

Newsletter

Friday 12th September 2025

This newsletter is a regular feature – available online. Please visit our website

https://www.canonpopham.co.uk/

Please let us know if you prefer a paper copy.

The VALUE we will explore this half term is

THANKFULNESS

We have looked this week at:

Thanking God for people who help us – **Philippians 1.3**

We will look next week at: Praising God in creation – Psalm 148



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Communication at Canon Popham

Effective communication is a vital ingredient in making our school successful. We want the whole school community to be well informed, listened to and to have clarity around expectations and processes.

At Canon Popham our values drive our ethos, curriculum and behaviour. We encourage our whole school community to model these values in all that we do, setting an example through our actions and our communications. We want the way in which we communicate with each other to be a positive experience for everybody and we can do this by having a clear communications process for families to use when they want to get in touch and talk about issues that might come up for them at school.

School DOJO

Class dojo is an educational app and website. It works on all devices, like tablets, phones, computers and iPad. Please let us know if you need help setting up or are having issues with the app. https://www.classdojo.com/en-gb/?redirect=true

EMAIL

Each class has a year group email account for teachers and parent/carer communication. These are monitored on week days between 8.30am and 4.30pm. School email contact enquiries@cpa.dsat.education enable communication to come into school at a time convenient for you.

In Person and Written

We have an open door policy and pride ourselves in being friendly and approachable. Wherever possible we have face to face conversations with teachers and leaders being available to chat before or at the end of the school day.

There will be a newsletter emailed via ARBOR celebrating life at Canon Popham. We hold 2 parents meetings annually to keep you informed. You will also receive termly pupil reports keeping you up to date with your child's attendance and progress. Canon Popham school website can be found at https://www.canonpopham.co.uk/

What's happening in school:

Week beg 15th September

Monday 15th – Rec parent mtg - early reading and phonics Monday 15th – Democracy Day: school council voting Thurs 18th – Y4 pedestrian safety training

Week beg 22nd September

Monday 22nd – Worship Tuesday 23rd – Picture News

Thursday 25th – Y4 MTC parent mtg at 2.45pm

Team points for this week...

St ANDREW: 60 = 3rd

St GEORGE: 71 = 2nd

St PATRICK: 78 = 1st

St DAVID: 52 = 4th

Well done St Patrick, this week's winners!

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Attendance Matters

Week 2 - 97.5% = School

F2 = 97.8%

Y1 = 94.9%

Y2 = 98.1%

Y3 = 97.7%

Y4 = 96.3%

Y5 = 98.1%

Well done Y6
winners this
week!
Enjoy your extra
break!

Y6 = 99.7% = WINNERS!!!

6 classes above national attendance!

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his taekwondo yellow belt. He worked super hard over the holidays to achieve his first official belt. The youngest in his class to pass. Well done, Jasper!

Jasper with



Children who show Ready, Respectful, Safe can earn a Golden Ticket. Each term we hold a Golden Ticket draw winning £5!

Diary Dates – Autumn term

September

Monday 15th - Reception Parents - Early reading & phonics Information meeting 2:45pm

Monday 15th - Democracy Day

Tuesday 19th - Year 4 Pedestrian Safety Sessions

Thursday 25th - Year 4 Parents - Multiplication
Table Checks meeting at 2:45pm in school

Monday 29th - Year 6 Parent meeting to discuss

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October

Monday 6th - Photographs, Individual & Siblings
Monday 6th - closing date for Nursery
applications to start in the school year Sept 2026
Friday 10th – World Mental Health day 2025
Tuesday 14th - Harvest Festival - Reception and
Key Stage 1 at 11.00am / Key Stage 2 at 2.30pm –
in church with Year 4 leading the service
Thursday 16th – Year 6 trip to Crucial Crew
Friday 24th - last day of term

Monday 27th – Friday 31st October HALF TERM

Friday 31st – national closing date for secondary school applications to start in the school year Sept 2026

Prayer at Canon Popham





In worship in church this week, Rev Tom and Josey shared with the children our new school prayer box. The children and staff can write down someone or something they would like to pray for. On Wednesday mornings Rev Tom or Josey will be in school for a prayer meeting which is open to children and staff.

Party Catering CO-UK

If you have any questions or queries, contact the Customer Service Team Monday to Friday, 7:00am to 4:30pm on 020 8813 7040, or email office@thepantrycatering.co.uk

Fresh fruit salad, cheesecake and strawberry jelly!





Salad and freshly baked bread each day!

If you would like to share how your child has *Let their light shine* in some way outside of school, please email a photo and short description to their class teacher or enquiries@cpa.dsat.education thank you.

Democracy Day at Canon Popham

We are really looking forward to take part in Democracy Day on Monday 15th September, the International Day of Democracy. Children have been writing their speeches to deliver to classes if they want to be considered as a pupil council representative. Classes will then vote for their pupil council reps for the coming year using a ballot box. Results will be announced by Mrs Shelton in assembly. Good luck!







Canon Popham School mascot

We were thrilled to receive such a kind gift at the start of this year from Harriet in year 3 who presented school with a school mascot bear. This has been beautifully made by a relative using school uniform items and shows our school emblem badge. Harriet was also very courageous to show the teddy bear in whole school worship and explain exactly how it was made. All classes are going to think of a suitable name and a vote will be taken on Monday 15th to celebrate Democracy Day in school to choose. This kind gesture also fits so well with our value this half term of **THANKFULNESS**. Thank you from everyone at Canon Popham for your kind gift.



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Rupert in Year 3 let his light shine by taking part and successfully winning a trophy for cricket last weekend. Well done, Rupert!

Alice, Paighton, Rose and Charlotte in Year 3 with their dancing certificates and trophies. They recently took an examination in Tap and were delighted to all receive honours. Well done, everyone!



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Joel Luca Fraser and Reuben are the new u7s Edenthorpe Panthers! They showed brilliant resilience in their first ever football match and first game of the season and they all came away with big smiles. Wishing them all the best for their football journey - it's not just about football skills it's about making friends , socialising , exercise , teamwork , respect, a sense of community and having lots of fun . We hope you enjoy an exciting season.



Well done, children!

Let Your Light Shine – on everyone, everywhere, everyday – Matthew 5:16