Poringland Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

Be Ready Be Respectful Be Safe

Monday 7th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year at Poringland Primary School.

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back last week and to see how quickly they have settled into their new classes and routines. The school has been filled with enthusiasm, smiles and a real sense of excitement for the year ahead. I have been incredibly impressed by the children's positive attitudes, kindness towards one another and readiness to learn.

Firstly, let me introduce myself. I am Mrs Hazard, the new Headteacher of Poringland Primary School, and I am delighted to be joining the school community.

I will be on the school gate most mornings and afternoons, so please do come and say hello and introduce yourself. I am looking forward to getting to know our children and families, building positive relationships, and working together to ensure every child has a happy, safe and successful experience at school.

I am excited about the year ahead and the many opportunities it will bring for our school community.

I would also like to extend a very warm welcome to the new members of staff who have joined us. They have already embraced the friendly and supportive spirit of our school, and I know they will make a wonderful contribution to the life of Poringland. I look forward to getting to know them, as we begin this exciting journey together.

Miss Hart	Deputy headteacher
Mrs Wretham	Nursery Teacher
Miss Jillings	Barnby Teacher (Reception)
Miss Lamas	Filby Teacher (Reception)
Miss Robertson	Upton Teacher (Year 1)
Mr Went	Malthouse Teacher (Year 3)
Miss Harding	Surlingham Teacher (Year 6)

As we begin this academic year, we are looking forward to introducing a range of exciting developments across the school. Our focus remains on providing the very best education and experiences for every child, while ensuring that Poringland Primary continues to be a happy, safe and ambitious place to learn.

One important area of focus this year is our renewed approach to behaviour. We have introduced three simple school rules that will underpin everything we do:

Be Ready

Come to school prepared to learn, listen and participate fully in every opportunity.

Be Respectful

Show kindness, consideration and respect to everyone and everything in our school community.

Be Safe

Make choices that keep ourselves and others safe both in school and beyond.

These expectations will be taught, modelled and celebrated throughout the school. By working together, we can ensure that every child feels valued, supported and able to achieve their very best. A copy of the new behaviour policy is attached.

We have also introduced the **Zones of Regulation** across the school. This approach helps children to recognise, understand and manage their emotions, giving them strategies to regulate their feelings and behaviours effectively. By developing emotional awareness and self-regulation skills, we aim to support children's wellbeing, resilience and readiness to learn. We look forward to sharing more information with families as the children become familiar with the different zones and the strategies that help them succeed both in and out of the classroom.

This is the Zones of regulation chart that we will use to support the children in learning about the zones:



Birthday Celebrations

We love celebrating birthdays at Poringland Primary School! Children are invited to wear their own clothes on their birthday as a special treat.

Please ensure that clothing is appropriate for school and suitable for a day of learning and play. If a child's birthday falls on a weekend or during a school holiday, they are welcome to choose a

school day either before or after their birthday to wear their own clothes. I know there were a couple of birthdays at the beginning of September so please wear your own clothes one day this week.

If your child has PE on their chosen celebration day, please ensure they wear clothing and footwear that are suitable for participating in their PE lesson.

We look forward to helping our children celebrate their special day with their friends at school.

Lines of Communication

We highly value the partnership between home and school and encourage open communication throughout the year. If you have a quick question or message, please feel free to catch your child's teacher at the classroom door at the beginning or end of the school day. If you would like a longer conversation, please contact the school office who will be happy to arrange a meeting at a mutually convenient time. By working together, we can ensure the very best outcomes for every child.

Our school newsletters will now be sent home **fortnightly**. These will keep you updated on school news, events, achievements and important information, so please keep an eye out for them.

Thank you for your continued support. We are excited about the year ahead and look forward to working in partnership with you to help every child thrive.

Kind Regards



Mrs L Hazard

Headteacher.