

Polehampton C of E Schools ~ 20th April 2026

"Let your light shine" Matthew 5:16

It has been great to welcome the children back after the Easter break, with a positive start to the term across the school. As we move into what is always a busy period, we have been taking the time to reflect on the importance of treating one another with compassion and reflecting honestly on that.

We were delighted to learn how many families have chosen our school for September, especially given the national decline in birth rates and pressures on school places. We're excited to be welcoming a large new Reception cohort and can't wait to meet them! It's so lovely to see our school family growing, with even more children joining through the addition of the Polehampton Nursery in September too.

Apologies for the delay in sharing last week's bulletin. We are experiencing some ongoing and intermittent issues with the school internet which, it appears, are now continuing into this week - providing us all with a good opportunity to model resilience and perseverance! Please note that this is effecting the school phones on an intermittent basis.

Infant Dates - Summer

Bank Holiday

Mon 4th May

Walk to School Week

W/B Mon 18th May

Census

Thurs 21st May

Half Term

25 - 29th May

Junior Dates - Summer

Y4 Bake Sale

Fri 24th April

Bank Holiday

Mon 4th May

Y4 Hindu Temple

Thurs 7th May

SATS

W/B Mon 11th May

PTA 1K your way

Thurs 14th May

Walk to school week

W/B Mon 18th May

Swimming Starts

Wed 20th May

Census Day

Thurs 21st May

Half Term

W/B 25th May

We will be talking to the children about this in school but please can you reinforce the importance of wearing helmets when your children are cycling or scooting. There have been some local incidents which have really highlighted the impact of not doing this. Large scale studies consistently demonstrate that wearing a cycle helmet greatly reduces the risk of serious head and brain injuries in the event of a crash. Thank you for your support with this.



Our value this half term is honesty. Teaching children honesty helps them build trust, take responsibility and understand right from wrong. This supports the development of healthy relationships and emotional security needed to grow into reliable and respectful adults. Honesty is also key to academic learning, helping children recognise when they need support, feel confident to ask for help and challenge themselves appropriately. They need to be able to reflect truthfully on what they know and what they still need to learn. These things will all be part of what we explore with the children over this half term.

We hope you had a lovely weekend!

We look forward to seeing you at the many events ahead, as the days get longer and everything around us begins to bloom.

Mrs Castell and Mrs Medcalf