

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 3 February 2020

It is hard to believe we are in the penultimate week of term 3! The children have been very busy and it has been wonderful to share in their learning experiences. This week in school, we have a number of events taking place, which I am sure the children will enjoy.

On Thursday afternoon from 2pm we have an Open Afternoon, when parents and carers will be able to visit the children in their classrooms. The children will share their learning with you from this term, and you will be able to ask them questions about their work. Teachers will be in the classrooms, but they will not be available for a detailed or private conversation about the learning and progress of the children. You will have an opportunity for these conversations to take place during parents' evenings in term 4.

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Notices

Parking

We have had a number of local residents contact school to complain about inconsiderate parking during drop off and collection times at school. Some residents have sent photos to school, showing how they have been unable to use their drive, due to parked cars blocking their access. In an emergency situation, this access is crucial.

Please be considerate with parking during drop off and collection times.

Donations

We are extremely privileged to have such an amazing building to teach the children in, and the children are incredibly lucky to have wonderful learning spaces, inside and outside. However, being a new school, we don't have a great deal of resources and equipment. We would love donations of: dressing up clothes; board games; construction play; Lego; role play toys etc.

If you have any items at home you no longer use and you think school could make good use of, please send them to the school office.

Diary Dates

Monday 3 February - Start of national storytelling week

Monday 3 February - Genevieve Robinson in school for storytelling workshops

Monday 3 February - Start of children's mental health week

Tuesday 4 February - 14 x EYFS children visiting Newton House nursing home

Wednesday 5 February - Partake Theatre in school for drama workshops

Thursday 6 February - 2pm open afternoon for parents

Tuesday 11 February - Safer internet day

Thursday 13 February - Real-life super hero dress up day

Thursday 13 February - Last day of term 3

Thursday 13 February - 3.30 - 4.30pm FoP film night

Monday 24 February - Term 4 begins

Monday 24 February - Fictional superhero dress up day

Tuesday 25 February - Wildcat class visiting Newton House nursing home

Thursday 27 February - Firefly class visiting Newton House nursing home

ACTION CALENDAR: FRIENDLY FEBRUARY 2020

SUNDAY "People forget what you said and what you did. But they never forget how you made them feel" - Maya Angelou

MONDAY 2. Ask a friend what good things have happened to them recently

TUESDAY 3. Do something supportive and friendly for your colleagues

WEDNESDAY 4. Notice the good qualities of everyone you meet today

THURSDAY 5. Get in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while

FRIDAY 6. Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you

SATURDAY 7. Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others

8. Say friendly things to people who work in your local shop or cafe

9. Put away digital devices & really focus on who you're with

10. Try to involve others and invite them to join your conversations

11. Smile at the people you're with and try to brighten their day

12. Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost

13. Be kind especially when your first instinct is to be unkind

14. Tell loved ones why they are so special to you

15. Make an effort to have a friendly chat with a stranger

16. Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them

17. Respond positively to everyone you meet today

18. Look for the good side when other people frustrate you

19. Tell a loved one about their strengths that you value most

20. Actively listen to what people say, without judging them

21. Give sincere compliments to three people you meet today

22. Make a plan to meet up with others and do something fun

23. Take time to speak with a neighbour and get to know them

24. Do an act of kindness to make life easier for someone else

25. Make positive comments to as many people as possible today

26. Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why

27. Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust

28. Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise

29. Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Find out more about the Ten Keys to Happier living, including books, guides, posters and more here: www.actionforhappiness.org/10-keys

We'd love to see any photos of you and your child completing one of these friendly actions!

Please email them to school, and we hope to share some of them on twitter.

Please note (15) we are not advising your children to approach staff in shops and cafes.



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