Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 19 October 2020

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent questionnaire. These completed questionnaires enable us to gauge what parents think is working well in school, as well as share suggestions for possible areas to develop.

From the questionnaire responses so far, a common theme is information for parents about their child's learning. In usual circumstances, we would have held an open afternoon for parents this term, enabling you to visit your child in their classroom and see their books. However, I'm sure you know why this hasn't been able to happen. Parent's evenings will take place in term 2, although they will be slightly different to usual. Face to face appointments will be available, but only 1 parent will be able to attend to keep numbers in school low. All parents will also receive a consultation report, similar to the one sent home in March 2020. You will be able to book an appointment to see the class teacher after half term.

Thank you for your support during this term. These are strange times for everyone, but by working in partnership we are continuing to provide positive learning experiences for the children. I hope you all have a safe, healthy and enjoyable half term.

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

<u>Attendance</u>

Last week Puma Class had the highest attendance with 99.1%. Well done! The whole school attendance for last week was 98%, and the attendance for the year has remained at 97.9%. We are aiming for our whole school attendance to continue to be over 97%, and we hope you continue to support us in The school attendance policy has been reviewed and a copy has been uploaded to the policy page on the school website: <u>https://www.poplarfarmsch-</u> <u>cit.co.uk/website/policies/283963</u>

Please take the time to read this policy, as it outlines attendance expectations and contains information about fixed penalty notices.

Curriculum Term 2 2020

meeting this target.

The children have enjoyed their new topics this term, and we are sure they will enjoy the topics next term as well:

EYFS - Superheroes Y1 - Where have all the leaves gone? Y2 - What made the fire of London so great?

The PSHE theme will be 'Celebrating Difference' and we will be learning about being 'Open-minded and Curious' as part of our Poplar Promise. Please share with the teachers on Class Dojo if you and children explore these new topics over half term, in readiness for the new term. **Diary Dates**

Thursday 22 October -Last day of term 1

Monday 2 November - Term 2 begins Wednesday 4 November - 1pm Initial family learning session Thursday 5 November - Flu vaccinations

Monday 9 November - Y2 Great Fire of London workshop Wednesday 11 November - 3.30-6pm Parents' evening Thursday 12 November - 5-7pm Parents' evening Friday 13 November - Children in Need Day

Monday 16 November - Primary admissions opens for EYFS September 2021 places Monday 16 November - Geography awareness week Monday 16 November - Anti-bullying week

Monday 30 November - Tree planting project week *Tuesday 1 December* - Bring a bauble day

Wednesday 9 December - Final family learning session Friday 11 December - Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 17 December - Last day of term 2



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Article 29 - education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full.