

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 28 September 2020

Last week, we enjoyed another fun-filled week of learning in school, and last Friday the children behaved brilliantly whilst having photos taken. We look forward to sharing these with you when we receive them in school.

I am delighted to inform you that Poplar Farm School has been shortlisted for a TES school award in the Community and Collaboration Award category. This is for our work completed with our partner school in Lebanon as part of the Lincolnshire / Lebanon cluster. This is a wonderful achievement for our school. The virtual awards take place on Friday 13 November, and I will let you know the result of our category.

A reminder that the PE uniform is black jogging bottoms / leggings, a white Poplar Farm T-Shirt and trainers. We have added another item to the uniform list for comfort and warmth for the children - a Poplar Farm PE hoodie, available to order from our uniform suppliers. Children can wear their PE hoodie on their PE days.

**Mrs Hodson**  
Head Teacher

## Attendance

Last week Classes Firefly and Hawk had the joint highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for last week was 98.3%, and the attendance for the year is 98%.

We are aiming for our whole school attendance to continue to be over 97%, and we hope you continue to support us in meeting this target.

## PTA

Watch this space for some more PTA information in the coming weeks.

The PTA committee is arranging an AGM, and are hoping to have more members from new families join them.

The school and the PTA are working together to plan some creative COVID-19 friendly fundraising events, and new members are welcome to help!

## Diary Dates

**Wednesday 30 September** - 2pm Family Learning 'meet and greet' for EYFS / Y1 parents (book a place beforehand)

**Thursday 1 October** - Lincolnshire Day  
**Thursday 1 October** - The start of Black History Month

**Thursday 1 October** - National poetry day

**Friday 2 October** - School Council and Eco-Warrior members announced

**Monday 5 October** - World teacher day

**Friday 9 October** - World mental health day

**Thursday 15 October** - Global handwashing day

**Wednesday 21 October** - 1pm Initial family learning session

**Thursday 22 October** - Last day of term 1

**Monday 2 November** - Term 2 begins

**Thursday 5 November** - Flu vaccinations

**Monday 16 November** - Primary admissions opens for EYFS September 2021 places

**Monday 16 November** - Geography awareness week

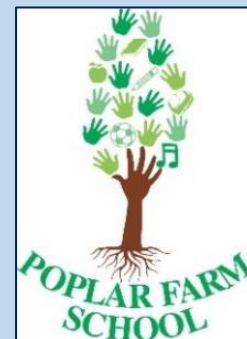
**Monday 30 November** - Tree planting project week

## COVID-19 Updates

Thank you to those parents who have supported our request by driving on the housing estate with care and consideration for others. We have been in touch with the school safety partnership, and someone will be visiting the roads around school in a few weeks' time to look at the parking situation, and offer us support and advice.

When dropping children off at the gates in the morning, once the children are through the gates please give a final wave, blow a kiss, then move away from the gates. This will ensure social distancing is maintained, and congestion of people is reduced.

A final reminder about pencil cases. Children just need one pencil case containing: a pencil; ruler; crayons; rubber; pencil sharpener; scissors; glue stick. Thank you for your support.



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