

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 14 September 2020

We had a fabulous week in school last week. The children were captivated with their learning and enjoyed exploring dragons, the jungle and the outside area!

Although the weather is lovely, warm and sunny at the start of this week, please can you ensure that as the weather becomes slightly cooler, the children have a coat at school. It can feel quite fresh on the field and playgrounds during playtimes and lunchtimes.

I know many of you have reasons to pop into the school foyer during the school day, but in line with current social distancing guidance, please can you only walk into the foyer if no-one else is there. In advance, thank you for your co-operation.

Our school website continues to be updated with policies and curriculum information. If you require any school information quickly, the website is the best place to look!

**Mrs Hodson**  
Head Teacher

## Attendance

Last week Class Firefly had the highest attendance with 98.8%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for last week was 98%, and the attendance for the year to date is 98.2%.

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

## PTA

The PTA continues to try to find ways to raise money for our school.

In the school foyer, there is a collection point for used printer and ink cartridges. Once the collection box is full, the company will collect to recycle them, and the PTA will receive a payment.

I hope you can help the PTA with their fundraising efforts.

## Diary Dates

**Sunday 13 September** - Roald Dahl day

**Tuesday 15 September** - International day of democracy

**Wednesday 16 September** - National teaching assistant day

**Monday 21 September** - National recycle week

**Monday 21 September** - Bike to school week

**Monday 21 September** - International day of peace

**Friday 25 September** - Photographer in school for class photos

**Saturday 26 September** - European day of languages

**Wednesday 30 September** - 1pm Family Learning coffee afternoon

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

**Thursday 1 October** - National poetry day

**Monday 5 October** - World teacher 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

## COVID-19 Updates

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding with our current routines in school. We review all aspects of our risk assessment regularly, and make any necessary changes to make things easier and safer for our school community.

As part of our risk assessment, windows are open all day to improve ventilation. This does mean that the classrooms can feel cold, so please ensure your child has their school jumper or cardigan in school with them.

We also try to have PE lessons outside as often as possible. Please can you ensure that your child's PE kit is suitable for outside PE - black jogging bottoms are essential!

Please can you ensure you use the correct gate for your year group bubbles. This will avoid the crossing of bubbles. Siblings in school can be collected from the same gate, preferably the gate of the youngest sibling. School staff will help support the children find their classroom if they arrive with a sibling.



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