

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



## Monday 17 March 2025

Thank you for your support with Comic Relief last week. The children enjoyed wearing their own clothes and their red noses in school! We will inform you when we have completed the final count of contributions.

This week our swimming lessons start. Information about groups and days for swimming has been sent home, but if you have misplaced this or need any more information, please contact the main school office.

*Article 31 - Right to take part in a wide range of activities*

All current known dates for the rest of this term are listed in the diary dates section on this newsletter. Please take the time to read the information, as there are a lot of events taking place!

*Article 17 - Access to information*

### **Mrs Hodson**

Head Teacher

#### Attendance

Last week, Class 1D had the highest attendance with 99.3%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.8%, which means the attendance for the year to date has remained at 95.9%.

Good attendance is essential for pupil wellbeing and academic progress. We aim for our attendance to be at least 97% and hope you can help us meet this target.

*Article 28 - Right to an education*

#### Car Park

The dangerous and inconsiderate double parking in the school car park continues, and last week it almost became fatal as we had a near miss with a child and a car. I cannot urge you enough to find alternative places to park and walk the short distance to one of the four open pedestrian gates.

Last week, some parents also parked on the footpaths near a gate. Again, this is thoughtless and should not happen.

*Article 24 - Right to the best possible health*

#### WORD Day

WORD day (**World Young Rheumatic Diseases**) is an annual event that takes place on 18th March. The aim of the day is to raise awareness and knowledge to help first and foremost in early diagnoses, and a quick referral to specialised paediatric rheumatologists.

One of our children in Class 1R will be handing out stickers and bookmarks to her class and doing a little talk on juvenile idiopathic arthritis and uveitis. WORD Day hopes to raise awareness of rheumatic diseases in children and young people, and empower them to thrive.

To find out more, please visit the official [WORD website](#).

*Article 24 - Right to the best possible health*



#### Diary Dates

**Monday 17 March** - Swimming lessons at school all week

**Monday 17 March** - St. Patrick's Day

**Monday 17 March** - Neurodiversity celebration week

**Monday 17 March** - Y5 NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop

**Monday 17 March** - 5pm Y6 welcome evening at Walton Academy

**Tuesday 18 March** - WORD Day

**Tuesday 18 March** - Primary Maths Challenge for 4 x Y5/6 pupils

**Wednesday 19 March** - Y6 NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop

**Thursday 20 March** - Mrs Steel's last day

**Thursday 20 March** - Y2 NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop

**Friday 21 March** - Puppet Show for Y2

**Sunday 23 March** - Maths Day

**Sunday 23 March** - National Day of Reflection

**Monday 24 March** - Swimming lessons at school all week

**Tuesday 25 March** - Greece, National Day

**Wednesday 26 March** - National Skipping Day

**Wednesday 26 March** - Well-Being Ambassadors to Newton House

**Thursday 27 March** - Y4, 5, 6 Quick Sticks Hockey event

**Sunday 30 March** - Mothering Sunday

**Monday 31 March** - Swimming lessons at school all week

**Tuesday 1 April** - 3.30-6pm Parents' evening

**Wednesday 2 April** - 5-7.30pm Parents' evening

**Wednesday 2 April** - World Autism Awareness day

**Thursday 3 April** - Y5/6 Tag-Rugby event

**Friday 4 April** - Last day of term 4

**Tuesday 22 April** - Term 5 begins

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#### The Poplar Promise

We are: Problem solvers; Open minded & curious; Positive & independent; Loved & nurtured; Accepting of all; Resilient.