Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 21 September 2020

We had another wonderful week in school last week. The classes took full advantage of the sunny weather and the children enjoyed having some of their lessons outside. I know the teachers shared a variety of photos on Class Dojo during the week.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the PE uniform on PE days. A reminder that the PE uniform is black jogging bottoms, 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. These are available to order from our uniform suppliers, and a link is available on our website https://www.poplarfarmsch-cit.co.uk/website/uniform/356655 The children can wear a PE hoodie on a PE day instead of a school jumper/cardigan with their jogging bottoms.

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 Classes Firefly and Swift had the joint highest attendance with 99.6%. Well done!

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

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 next week.

The PTA committee is busy 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 us!

COVID-19 Updates

I know there are some frustrations for some parents with regards to the gates for drop-off and collection. In line with our risk assessment, bubbles need to use separate entrances to avoid cross-bubble contamination. If you see someone needing assistance at a gate with a pushchair, please can you offer some help, and sanitise hands afterwards. We have had a local resident contact us to raise concerns about the driving on the housing estate - please take care, drive slowly and carefully to help keep our school community safe.

Thank you for your support with providing pencil cases and stationery for your child to use in school. However, some of the pencil cases seem to be growing in size, and some children have more than 1 pencil case. There is not enough room on the tables for large and duplicate pencil cases. To reiterate, children only require 1 reasonable sized pencil case containing: pencil; ruler; crayons; scissors; glue stick; rubber; pencil sharpener.

Diary Dates

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 (Y1 in school uniform, no PE kit needed)

Saturday 26 September - European day of languages

Wednesday 30 September - 1pm Family Learning coffee afternoon

Thursday 1 October - The start of Black History Month

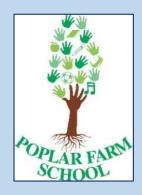
Thursday 1 October - National poetry day

Monday 5 October - World teacher day **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



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