Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 20 October 2025

Last week, two shared learning events with parents took place and we have another five this week. For those of you new to Poplar, these events are for parents to take part in an activity with children (usually in the hall) and spend some time together in school. These are not for individual conversations about your child or their learning in school. Our parent consultations will take place on Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 November and you will be able to book your individual appointments on MCAS after half term. Article 29 - Goals of education

We're now in the final week of term 1, and events for term 2 are all available to view on our <u>website</u>. Thank you for your ongoing support with school. I hope you all have an enjoyable break, and we look forward for the start of term 2 on Tuesday 4 November. Article 17 - Access to information

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Class 6W had the highest attendance with 99.7%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 97.3%, which means the attendance for the year to date has fallen slightly again to 97.1%.

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 maintain this high attendance.

Article 28 - Right to an education

Outside toys

Please ensure children do not play with toys, scooters or on the trim trail on school grounds after the school day has ended.

This helps us maintain a safe and calm environment and prevents toys from becoming lost, broken, or causing accidents.

We appreciate your support in keeping our school space safe and tidy. Thank you.

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

Outside footwear

We are incredibly lucky to have such generous school grounds, and we would like the children to continue to use the field during playtimes and lunchtimes. However, due to the autumn weather the field has become quite muddy!

For children to use the field at playtimes and lunchtimes, they will require a change of footwear to reduce the amount of mud being brought into school. There is no need for you to buy another pair of school shoes, the children can just wear a pair of trainers or old shoes from home, brought to school in a plastic bag. They will then be able to keep these in their locker and change into them if they would like to play on the field during their playtimes and lunchtimes.

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

Diary Dates

Monday 20 October - 2.30pm Y2 shared learning event with parents Tuesday 21 October - 2.45pm Y3 shared learning event with parents Wednesday 22 October - Y6 residential to Grafham Water for 2 nights

Wednesday 22 October - Well Being
Ambassadors to Newton House
Wednesday 22 October - 2.30pm Y1
shared learning event with parents
Thursday 23 October - Football
tournament for some girls
Thursday 23 October - 2.45pm Y4
shared learning event with parents
Friday 24 October - Miss Marshall's
last day before starting maternity leave
Friday 24 October - 2.45pm Y5 shared
learning event with parents
Friday 24 October - Last day of term 1

Tuesday 4 November - Term 2 begins
Tuesday 4 November - 9am Parent
coffee morning with the Senior
Leadership Team

Wednesday 5 November - Great Fire of London workshop for Y2

Thursday 6 November - 5.30pm Y6 SATs information evening for parents

Monday 10 November - Start of Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 10 November - Odd Socks Day

Monday 10 November - 9.30am open morning for September 2026 starters

Monday 10 November - Worry workshops for Y5 & Y6 with MHST's **Monday 10 November** - 7.30pm FoP

Monday 10 November - 7.30pm Fo online AGM

Tuesday 11 November -Remembrance Day Tuesday 11 November - Poland,

National Day

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