

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



Monday 1 December 2025

Thank you to everyone who joined us for parents' evening last week. It was lovely to see so many of you make an appointment and for the teachers to share the wonderful learning your children are achieving in school.

Article 17 - Access to information

Our dates for the annual 'Carols Around the Tree' are all listed on the diary dates section of this newsletter, as well as on our [school website](#). Due to the size of the hall and our risk assessment, only 2 adults for each child will be permitted to attend. In advance, thank you for your understanding and co-operation with this request.

Article 13 - Freedom of expression

Mrs Hodson
Head Teacher



Attendance

Last week, Class 5R had the highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.9% which means the attendance for the year to date has increased slightly to 96.9%.

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 achieve this high attendance.

Article 28 - Right to an education

School Disco's

FoP are busy planning some disco's for the end of this term. They will take place on Thursday 18 December at the times listed below:

- EYFS & Y1, 3.15 - 4pm
- Y2, Y3 & Y4, 4.15 - 5pm
- Y5 & Y6, 5.15 - 6pm

Tickets will be on sale for £2.50 each from MCAS later this week - keep an eye out on Class Dojo for further information.

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

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

Why aren't more after school clubs available?

We don't run after school clubs in the winter months due to the darker evenings. When clubs are on offer, they are run by staff who volunteer their own time. This is why some take place during lunchtimes rather than after school, as staff are often busier after school with regular meetings, planning, marking and lesson preparations.

Why are staff parking in the disabled bays?

Everyone who parks in a disabled parking space is entitled to do so, this includes staff members who require and are eligible for the space.

Article 17 - Access to information

Diary Dates

Monday 1 December - Homelessness Awareness Week

Monday 1 December - Bring a Bauble Day

Monday 1 December - Romania, Great Union Day

Wednesday 3 December - International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Thursday 4 December - World Wildlife Conservation Day

Friday 5 December - World Soil Day

Monday 8 December - Computer Science Week

Tuesday 9 December - 2pm Open afternoon for September 2026 intake

Wednesday 10 December - Human Rights Day

Friday 12 December - Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 12 December - Christmas Dinner Day

Monday 15 December - Pantomime performances in school

Monday 15 December - The Hive visit to Greenfields School farm

Monday 15 December - 2.45pm Y4 Carols around the tree

Tuesday 16 December - 9am Y5 Carols around the tree

Wednesday 17 December - 9am Y1 Carols around the tree

Wednesday 17 December - 2pm Caring Christmas

Thursday 18 December - 9am Y3 Carols around the tree

Thursday 18 December - 2.15pm Y6 Carols around the tree

Friday 19 December - 9am EYFS Carols around the tree

Friday 19 December - 2.30pm Y2 Carols around the tree

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The Poplar Promise

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