

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



Monday 8 December 2025

I can't believe we're in the final two school weeks of 2025! We've got many events planned for the children to enjoy and dates for these are on this newsletter, the school website and on a Class Dojo post. We're looking forward to seeing you at the Carols Around the Tree for all year groups, where a maximum of two adults per child will be able to attend. Prams and pushchairs will need to be kept outside due to limited space.

Article 17 - Access to information

Children at Poplar Farm will be able to enjoy their school Christmas dinner on Friday 12 December. Over 350 children have ordered a Christmas dinner and bookings for this are now closed. However, the KS2 children who have not ordered a meal will still be able to enjoy the party atmosphere in the hall!

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

Mrs Hodson
Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Class 4T had the highest attendance with 97.9%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 95% which means the attendance for the year to date has fallen slightly to 96.7%.

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

Christmas Jumper Day

Save the Children organises Christmas Jumper Day to raise funds every year.

We'll be taking part on Friday 12 December 2025 when the children can wear a Christmas jumper or accessories with their own clothes to help make the world better in a sweater! Children not wanting to take part should wear their school uniform as usual.

We kindly ask for a donation to Save the Children, as we work towards our £250 fundraising target. All donations must be made online via our JustGiving page by clicking [here](#).

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

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

When will the car park situation be resolved?

We have almost 70 members of staff who require parking for a car during their working hours and access to their cars at different points during the day.

- Parents who use Poplar Pioneers can use the school car park to **drop off** their children at the wrap around care provision.
- Parents who require a disabled space are also permitted access.
- Parents who **drop off** children and don't require a space can drive slowly through the one-way system to enable their child to exit the car safely.
- All other parents should find suitable parking elsewhere off site, whilst being mindful to keep driveways and footpaths clear.

Article 17 - Access to information

Diary Dates

Monday 8 December - Computer Science Week

Tuesday 9 December - 10am WBA hosting Newton House residents for a Christmas event

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

Wednesday 10 December - Human Rights Day

Thursday 11 December - UNICEF Day for Change

Friday 12 December - Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 12 December - Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 12 December - Father Christmas visiting classes

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

Thursday 18 December - FoP discos, EYFS & Y1, 3.15 - 4pm; Y2, Y3 & Y4, 4.15 - 5pm; Y5 & Y6, 5.15 - 6pm

Friday 19 December - 9am EYFS Carols around the tree

Friday 19 December - 2.30pm Y2 Carols around the tree

Friday 19 December - Last day of term

Monday 5 January - Term 3 begins

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The Poplar Promise

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