

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



Monday 26 January 2026

We're looking forward to the swimming lessons starting today! Please ensure you know which group your child is in and send them to school with their swimming kit on their lesson days. Any queries, please contact the office.

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

We are delighted to be taking part in the annual Grantham Rotary Swimathon again. Our participants will be swimming on Sunday 8 February 1.30-2.30pm at the Meres Leisure Centre. The Swimathon raises money to support local charities, organisations and deserving causes / projects in and around Grantham. To donate and support our team, please go to our [JustGiving page](#).

Article 15 - Freedom of association

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Class 5R had the highest attendance with 99.3%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.1% which means the attendance for the year to date has remained at 96.4%.

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

Uniform expectations

To help all our children look smart and feel part of the Poplar Farm community, please ensure that any hair accessories worn in school follow our uniform expectations.

We have noticed some accessories recently that are **not** within the allowed colours, so we kindly ask parents to check before purchasing. Hair accessories should be school colours (green, white, black, grey) and of a suitable size - not too large!

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

Safer Internet Day 2026 Parent Webinar

Artificial Intelligence is shaping the way children learn, play, and interact online. As parents, understanding both the opportunities and the risks is key.

Join the Stay Safe Team's [FREE](#) webinar "AI: The Good, The Bad & The Ugly" to explore:

- Positive uses of AI for learning and creativity
- Risks like chatbots, filtering, and misinformation
- Practical tips for family conversations and parental controls

Date: Tuesday 10 February

Time: 6:00 - 7:00pm

Location: Online

Register here: <https://buytickets.at/staysafepartnership/2024139>

Article 17 - Access to information

Diary Dates

Monday 26 January - Swimming pool on site for the next 3 weeks

Monday 26 January - India Republic Day

Monday 26 January - Y4 Roman workshop

Monday 26 January - 9am MHST parent workshop

Tuesday 27 January - Chocolate Cake Day

Tuesday 27 January - Holocaust Memorial Day

Wednesday 28 January - Miss Wilding's last day before starting maternity leave

Wednesday 28 January - Lego Day

Wednesday 28 January - Well-Being Ambassadors to visit Newton House

Thursday 29 January - National Puzzle Day

Monday 2 February - National Storytelling Week

Monday 2 February - Dr Seuss Day

Tuesday 3 February - Y5/6 indoor

athletics event for some children

Tuesday 3 February - 2.45pm Y4

shared learning events with parents

Wednesday 4 February - Sri-Lanka Independence Day

Wednesday 4 February - 2.45pm Y3

shared learning events with parents

Thursday 5 February - Time to Talk Day

Thursday 5 February - 2.45pm Y5

shared learning events with parents

Friday 6 February - NSPCC Number Day

Sunday 8 February - 1.30pm

Swimathon

Monday 9 February - Children's Mental Health Week

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The Poplar Promise

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