

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



Monday 23 March 2026

A huge thank you to everyone for getting behind our Comic Relief fundraising last week! We're thrilled to share that every single red nose sold out, and we've already raised an amazing £103 on our JustGiving page. If you haven't had the chance to donate yet, there's still time - just click [here!](#)

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

It was wonderful to see so many of you at parents' evening last week. The children were delighted with their new Book Fair purchases! Thanks to your support, we now have around £900 to spend on new books for school. Thank you!

Article 29 - Goals of education

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Classes 0R and 5S had the joint highest attendance with 99%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.4% which means the attendance for the year to date has risen slightly to 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

Smart Watches

A reminder that Smart Watches are not permitted in school.



We have noticed an increase in children bringing them into class, and they can be a distraction as well as a safeguarding concern.

Please ensure your child leaves their smart watch at home each day. Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a focused and safe learning environment.

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

PopFest

PopFest is back on Thursday 25 and Friday 26 June, and we couldn't be more excited! That also means it's time to start planning our much-loved 'Poplar's Got Talent' show, which will once again take centre stage on the second day of the festival.

The PGT team have an assembly planned later this week to launch the audition stage of the event. The closing date to complete an entry form is after the Easter break, so the 2-week break is an ideal time for the children to rehearse a performance if they would like to take audition.

Article 13 - Freedom of expression

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



Diary Dates

Monday 23 March - World Number Day

Tuesday 24 March - EYFS visit to Newton House

Wednesday 25 March - Greece, National Day

Wednesday 25 March - Well-Being Ambassadors to visit Newton House

Wednesday 25 March - 3pm Class 3S parent pop-ins with SLT

Thursday 26 March - Y5 cinema trip

Friday 27 March - World Theatre Day

Thursday 2 April - World Autism Awareness Day

Thursday 2 April - Y5/6 Tag-rugby event

Thursday 2 April - Last day of term 4

Wednesday 15 April - World Art Day

Thursday 16 April - September 2026 EYFS intake offer day

Monday 20 April - Term 5 begins

Wednesday 22 April - 8pm PGT entry forms close

Thursday 23 April - St. George's Day

Friday 24 April - EYFS Dinosaur workshop

Monday 27 April - South Africa, Freedom Day

Wednesday 29 April - International Dance Day

Wednesday 29 April - Well-Being Ambassadors to visit Newton House

Thursday 30 April - KS2 Cross-Country event

Monday 4 May - School closed for Early Bank Holiday Monday

Wednesday 6 May - Y4 to Ravenstor for 2-night residential

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The Poplar Promise

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