

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



## Monday 9 March 2026

What an amazing few days we've had with sporting achievements. The Poplar teams at the swimming gala and the gymnastics tournament showed great determination and team spirit, resulting in incredible outcomes. Well done to all involved and to family, friends and staff who have supported these events.

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

I am delighted to share that Miss Wilding has welcomed her beautiful new baby, Rafe, into the world. Both Mum and baby are doing well, Eddie is enjoying being a big brother and we send our heartfelt congratulations to the whole family.

*Article 17 - Access to information*

**Mrs Hodson**  
Head Teacher

### **Attendance**

Last week, Classes 2G and 3S had the joint highest attendance with 98.7%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.5% 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*

### **W.O.R.D Day**

WORD day (World Young Rheumatic Diseases) is an annual event that takes place on 18<sup>th</sup> March to raise awareness of rheumatic diseases in children and young people, and empower them to thrive.

One of our children in Class 2A will be doing a little talk on juvenile idiopathic arthritis and uveitis to her class.

To find out more, please visit the official [WORD website](#).

*Article 24 - Right to the best possible health*



## **Diary Dates**

**Monday 9 March** - Last week of Spring term extra-curricular clubs

**Monday 9 March** - British Science Week

**Monday 9 March** - 9am MHST parent drop-in sessions

**Wednesday 11 March** - Lithuania, Restoration of Independence Day

**Friday 13 March** - International School Meals Day

**Sunday 15 March** - Mothering Sunday

**Monday 16 March** - Disabled Access Day

**Monday 16 March** - Young Carers Action Day

**Tuesday 17 March** - St. Patrick's Day

**Tuesday 17 March** - FoP Bag2School collection date

**Tuesday 17 March** - 5-7.30pm parents' evening, with book fair in the Studio

**Wednesday 18 March** - W.O.R.D Day

**Wednesday 18 March** - Global Recycling Day

**Wednesday 18 March** - Y4 cinema trip

**Wednesday 18 March** - 3.30-6pm parents' evening, with book fair in the Studio

**Thursday 19 March** - Y5/6 Bee netball tournament

**Friday 20 March** - Red Nose Day

**Friday 20 March** - International Day of Happiness

**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

## **Red Nose Day - Friday 20 March 2026**

We have a limited number of the official Red Noses available to buy in school. We kindly ask that you only buy one nose per child. The Red Noses will be available to buy in the MCAS store for £2 each from today. All noses will be distributed to pupils by Friday 13 March, giving them plenty of time to decorate and personalise them ahead of the big day.

On Friday 20 March, children are welcome to wear something red or RND merchandise to school with their own clothes for a donation made payable on our [Just Giving page](#). However, if your child would prefer not to take part, they should wear their school uniform as usual.

*Article 13 - Freedom of expression*

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



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### **The Poplar Promise**

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