

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



## Monday 10 November 2025

The children have made a fabulous start to the new term. The amount of incredible writing from across the school has impressed me, and I'm sure you'll feel the same when you see English books during parents' evening later this month.

*Article 29 - Goals of education*

Due to the dangerous and inconsiderate double parking in the school car park last week, some morning Pioneers parents were late to work, some staff were late to collect their own children after school, and afternoon Pioneers and cleaning staff were unable to park at their place of work. This is not acceptable. Double parking does not occur in car parks in town, or at supermarkets, so I'm unsure why some parents believe it is acceptable at Poplar. Arriving at 8.15am / 2.30pm to secure a space is also unacceptable and unnecessary - arriving at these times gives parents time to park away from school and walk to one of the four available gates.

*Article 24 - Right to the best possible health*

### **Mrs Hodson**

Head Teacher

#### **Attendance**

Last week, Class 2G had the highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was an improved 95.8%, which means the attendance for the year to date has risen 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*

#### **Field Update**

Due to the drainage issues on the field resulting in increasing muddiness, the field will no longer be in use during playtimes and lunchtimes.

This means children can take their field shoes / wellies home, as they won't be required in school in a daily basis.

If a class has a forest school lesson planned, parents will be informed beforehand so children can bring in a change of footwear for the lesson.

*Article 18 - Parental responsibilities*

#### **Children In Need**

Poplar Farm is proud to be supporting Children in Need on Friday 14th November. This is a fantastic opportunity for our school community to come together and help make a difference in the lives of children across the UK.



To mark the day, children are invited to wear Pudsey Bear merchandise, something spotty, or something yellow - instead of school uniform. We kindly ask that you donate to Children in Need for this non-uniform day, helping us achieve our £250 target. All donations must be made online via the link:

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/poplarfarm?utm\\_medium=FA&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/poplarfarm?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL)

*Article 31 - Take part in a wide range of activities*

#### **Diary Dates**

**Monday 10 November** - Anti-Bullying Week

**Monday 10 November** - World Nursery Rhyme Week

**Monday 10 November** - Odd Socks Day

**Monday 10 November** - 9.30am open morning for September 2026 starters

**Monday 10 November** - Worry workshops for Y5 & Y6 with MHST's

**Monday 10 November** - 7.30pm FoP online AGM

**Tuesday 11 November** - Remembrance Day

**Tuesday 11 November** - Poland, National Day

**Wednesday 12 November** - Cinema trip for Y3

**Thursday 13 November** - World Kindness Day

**Thursday 13 November** - Girls' football tournament

**Friday 14 November** - Children In Need

**Monday 17 November** - Road Safety Week

**Tuesday 18 November** - Latvia, Independence Day

**Wednesday 19 November** - Cinema trip for pupil council members

**Thursday 20 November** - World Children's Day

**Friday 21 November** - Mrs Anderson's last day before starting maternity leave

**Friday 21 November** - World Hello Day

**Monday 24 November** - UK Parliament Week

**Monday 24 November** - Mop-up flu vaccinations

**Tuesday 25 November** - 5-7.30pm Parents' evening

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#### **The Poplar Promise**

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