

EYFS

Autumn 1 Newsletter



Welcome Back!

We hope you had a restful and fun filled summer holiday. We are all very excited to get to know your children and watch them grow and develop throughout the year!

Overview

This term, our topic will be 'All About Me'. We will be building up our vocabulary and speaking confidence to talk about ourselves and our families. We will be exploring how we are all the same and different and how to be a good friend.



This term we will also encourage the children to 'plan' their learning through our 'Plan, Do, Review' approach, by telling us where they want to play; we will build on this as the year goes on and incorporate challenges for the children. We will also be doing weekly 'welly walks' to learn about the world around us.

Article 28 - The right to an education

Key Information

- Our PE day will be Wednesday. Children can attend school in PE uniform this day.
- Uniform guidance can be found at:
<https://poplarfarmsch-cit.co.uk/uniform/>
- Our EYFS TA's are Miss Wing and Miss Hunt, each week they will swap classes to ensure they build relationships with all children.
- If you have any queries, please contact the school office who will pass any queries on to Miss Rastall or Mrs Dowling.

Ways to help your child:

- Use letter sounds to sound out objects around your home e.g. t-a-p = tap and c-a-r = car.
- Read, read, read! To your child, with them or by spotting signs out and about.
- If a story is wordless, encourage your child to focus on understanding and being able to retell the story.
- Sing along to your favourite song.
- Talk about the different members of your family and look at your family photos.
- Board games- encourage turn taking and using a dice to count spaces (snakes and ladders is great for this!).

Literacy

We will be exploring different texts that help us think and talk about being me. This is a wonderful way to extend the children's vocabulary and give them the confidence to create imaginative sentences.

We will be practicing daily nursery rhymes and the children will use drama, musical instruments and puppets to physically retell rhymes and talk about the world around them.

Children will respond to poetry and stories, listening to and joining in with repetitive patterns and rhyme.

Maths

In Maths this term, we will begin with lots of counting songs, rhymes and practicing our careful counting. We will explore the numbers 1-3 using lots of practical resources, thinking about different ways of making them and relating them to shape and problem solving. The children will also be taught about matching, sorting, making and following simple patterns and comparing amounts, mass, capacity and size. The children will have access to a range of resources and enhanced provision every day to support their maths learning.

PSED

This term in PSED we will be exploring how we can feel happy and safe at school, what it means to be a good friend and exploring what we can do when we feel different things. We will also begin to introduce some of the UNICEF children's rights in line with our 'Rights Respecting School' focus.

EAD

In expressive arts and design, we will allow the children to explore using different equipment, and learn a range of techniques and methods which will help in developing their fine motor skills.



RE

This term in RE our focus will be on feelings and 'myself'. We will be thinking about what makes us who we are and begin to talk about what we like, dislike and believe. We will also be discussing our feelings, as well as other people's feelings and how we can recognise these in and out of school. We will look at stories with links to religions and religious buildings such as a church and mosque.

THE POPLAR PROMISE

At Poplar Farm School we are:

Problem solvers
Open minded and curious
Positive and independent
Loved and nurtured
Accepting of all
Resilient

