

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



Monday 12 October 2026

Thank you to everyone who supported the 'Hello Yellow' day last Friday. There some very imaginative yellow accessories around school!

Article 13 - Freedom of expression

Kindness is at the heart of our school, and we are so proud of the way our children and staff demonstrate it every day. Thank you to everyone who took part in an Act of Kindness last week and shared it through the CIT form. We'll find out later this week whether we have successfully retained the title of 'Kindest School'.

Article 13 - Freedom of expression



Mrs Hodson
Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Classes 1S & 2A had the joint highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 97.9%, which means the attendance for the year to date has risen slightly to 97.1%

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

Togetherness

Would you be interested in attending face to face sessions in school with Mrs Thorpe to talk about challenges and behaviours you see at home with like minded parents?

This new offer at Poplar Farm is designed to support parents understand behaviour as communication, promote emotional containment and foster reflective practice.

A summary poster with information about how to register your interest can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Article 17 - Access to information

Car Park

The inconsiderate parking we experienced last week was unacceptable. Staff arriving for work were unable to park in vacant spaces because some parents were blocking access through unsafe and thoughtless parking. More concerningly, a small number of parents ignored polite requests from staff to move their vehicles.

Our staff should be able to arrive at work and park safely and reasonably. We ask all parents and carers to show consideration for others and help ensure the school site remains safe and accessible for everyone.

Please find new routines - if you must drive to school, park off site and use the pedestrian gates at the back of the school.

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities // Article 24 - Right to the best health

Diary Dates

Monday 12 October - Y6 to Grafham Water for 2-night residential

Tuesday 13 October - 9.30am Open morning for EYFS applications

Wednesday 14 October - Y6 return from residential

Thursday 15 October - 2.30pm Y2 shared learning event with parents

Friday 16 October - The Hive visit to Newton Bridge Hydro Pool

Friday 16 October - 2.30pm Y1 shared learning event with parents

Monday 19 October - CGS Outreach PE profiling across school

Monday 19 October - 2.45pm Y5 shared learning event with parents

Tuesday 20 October - 2.45pm Y4 shared learning event with parents

Wednesday 21 October - Well Being Ambassadors to visit Newton House

Wednesday 21 October - 2.45pm Y3 shared learning event with parents

Thursday 22 October - CGS Outreach PE profiling across school

Thursday 22 October - World Values Day

Thursday 22 October - Football event for 10 x KS2 girls

Thursday 22 October - 2.30pm EYFS shared learning event with parents

Friday 23 October - FoP Xmas4Schools online ordering portal opens

Friday 23 October - 2.45pm Y6 shared learning event with parents

Friday 23 October - Last day of term 1

Thursday 29 October - Turkey, Republic Day

Monday 2 November - Term 2 begins

Monday 2 November - 9am MHST Co-regulation workshop for parents

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The Poplar Promise

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

TOGETHERNESS

Bringing the Solihull Approach to the world

A New Offer at Poplar



Face to Face

Would you be interested in attending 10 weekly sessions with Mrs Thorpe to talk about challenges and behaviours you see at home with a group of like minded parents?



Commencing 4th November



9am



Poplar Farm School



What you'll get?

- ✓ Understanding behaviour as communication
- ✓ Understanding relationships as the foundation for development
- ✓ Promoting emotional containment
- ✓ Fostering reflective practice
- ✓ Building resilience through connection



**Find out more
or
Register Now!**



Website

<https://togetherness.co.uk/>
To find out more



To register your interest

<https://forms.office.com/e/jDvexm2tgN>