

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 16 January 2023

Friday 3 February is Number Day, and a ParentMail with information was sent to you all last week. On the day, as well as taking part in competitions the children can also dress up: EYFS & Y1 can dress up as digits or have digits on their clothes, and Y2-Y4 can dress as Rock Stars! The day is organised by NSPCC, and there is a shop item on ParentMail to make donations.

Article 13 - Freedom of expression

Our term 3 open afternoon will be slightly different this term. Each year group will be open to parents on different afternoons, with a variety of activities taking place. The full list of dates is available on the school website.

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Class 1T had the highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.7%, which means the attendance for the year to date has remained at 96%.

We aim for our attendance to be above 97%, and hope you can help us meet this target.

Article 28 - Right to education

Swimarathon

Some members of staff and pupils will be taking part in the Grantham Swimarathon on Sunday 5th February at 14:30.

We'd really appreciate your support if you are able and have set up a sponsorship page here. [Laura Wright is fundraising for RotarySwimarathon \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.rotary.org.uk/justgiving.com)

All of the money goes to amazing local charities and causes. Thank you so much!

Article 31 - Right to play

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

As previously mentioned, following the recent parent questionnaires, I will respond to some of the 'what I would like to see in the future' comments each week:

Swimming lessons

The National Curriculum states that children should be able to swim at least 25m by the time they leave primary school. From this year, we will have a swimming pool on site for 3 weeks every year to facilitate swimming lessons for children in Y2-Y4. By having the pool on site, the children will be able to have a number of lessons over the 3 weeks. More information about timetabling and cost will be sent home closer to the time.

More on the environment and sustainability

As a Green Eco-School, learning about the environment and sustainability features in the curriculum across the whole school. Our Eco-Warriors also promote 'green' events throughout the year, as well as promoting how to look after the environment in school.

Article 14 - Freedom of thought

Diary Dates

Monday 16 January - Martin Luther-King Day

Wednesday 18 January - Winnie the Pooh Day

Monday 23 January - Chinese New Year

Thursday 26 January - India, Republic Day

Thursday 26 January - Boccia sports event for some children

Monday 30 January - National Storytelling Week

Monday 30 January - Introduction to athletics event for some children

Monday 30 January - 2.30pm Y2 open classroom event for parents

Tuesday 31 January - 2.30pm Y1 open classroom event for parents

Wednesday 1 February - 2.30pm Y3 open classroom event for parents

Thursday 2 February - Time to Talk Day

Thursday 2 February - School swimming gala for some children

Friday 3 February - Lola's 2nd birthday

Friday 3 February - Number Day

Saturday 4 February - Sri-Lanka, Independence Day

Sunday 5 February - Swimarathon

Tuesday 7 February - Safer Internet Day



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The Poplar Promise

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