

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 2 December 2024

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evening last week. It was wonderful to see so many of you. I hope you found the meetings helpful and informative. Copies of the consultation forms will be sent home over the next few days.

Article 17 - Access to information

I'm looking forward to seeing our Christmas trees in school decorated by our children. Don't forget we also have a tree in the main entrance that younger siblings can decorate when they drop off or collect older siblings from school. The children are also busy preparing for their 'Carols Around the Tree' performances for the end of this term. All dates for these are on the school website and a maximum of 2 adults per child can attend their year group performance.

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

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Class 3F had the highest attendance with 99.3%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was an improved 95.9%, which means the attendance has remained at 95.4%.

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 meet this target.

Article 28 - Right to an education

Staffing Updates

As you know, we recently advertised for a Teaching Assistant to join our support staff team. I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Kidd will be joining us in January 2025 supporting children in EYFS and Year 1.

We currently have an advert for a Midday Supervisor, as Ms Wing is leaving us at the end of this term. I will inform you when a new appointment has been made.

Article 17 - Access to information

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

Why don't I receive more information about my child's progress?

We host two parents' evenings a year, in term 2 and term 4 for face-to-face meetings and at these, parents receive a short-written report highlighting pupil attainment. Parents also receive a more detailed written end of year report in term 6. Many schools only share one written report a year and by sharing three, we feel our parents receive a high level of pupil progress information.

Why are all children involved in Open Afternoons even if they don't have an adult attend?

The Open Afternoons are to celebrate the work of all children, so all children are involved either in their classroom or in the hall. If children don't have an adult join them for the Open Afternoon, school staff ensure they work with and speak to the children, so no-one feels left out. As an inclusive school, we believe all children should be able to join in with activities in school.

Article 12 - Right to express an opinion

Diary Dates

Monday 2 December - Bring a bauble day

Monday 2 December - Family tree planting day

Tuesday 3 December - International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Wednesday 4 December - Y1 visit to Belton House

Thursday 5 December - World Soil Day

Thursday 5 December - 9am SEND coffee morning

Friday 6 December - Spain, Constitution Day

Friday 6 December - Y6 visit to Lincoln Castle

Monday 9 December - 9.30am Open morning for September 2025 intake

Tuesday 10 December - Human Rights Day

Wednesday 11 December - Well-Being Ambassadors coffee morning with Newton House residents

Wednesday 11 December - 2.30pm EYFS Carols Around the Tree

Thursday 12 December - EYFS visit to Rand Farm Park

Thursday 12 December - Year 4 Respectful Communication workshop

Thursday 12 December - 2.30pm Y1 Carols Around the Tree

Friday 13 December - Year 3 Positive Boundaries workshop

Friday 13 December - 2.30pm Y2 Carols Around the Tree



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The Poplar Promise

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