# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



# Monday 10 February 2025

Well done to everyone who took part in the annual Grantham Rotary Swimarathon over the weekend. It was wonderful to see so many children take part for Poplar and other local groups they are members of, as well as families joining us to cheer for Team Poplar! If you haven't been able to make a donation yet, you can still support us by donating on our 'Just Giving' page at this <a href="Link.">Link.</a> Thank you!

Article 24 - Right to the best health

Last week in the school car park a member of staff had their car damaged by a parent and another parent who was driving carelessly almost hit a pedestrian. I cannot urge you strongly enough to ONLY use the car park if a space is available. With over 65 members of staff there are fewer spaces than before. The responsible decision is to park elsewhere and use one of the 4 gates open at the start and end of the day.

Article 18 - Parental responsibility

#### Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

#### Attendance

Last week, Classes 2A and 3FW had the joint highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 98%, which means the attendance for the year to date has remained at 95.7%.

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 meet this target.

Article 28 - Right to an education

### Staffing Updates

Mrs Wright has made the decision to leave Poplar Farm to work in the school her children attend. Her last day at Poplar will be Friday 7 March. I am sure you will join me in thanking her for her time at Poplar and wish her well in her new post.

We still have an advert live for someone to join our cleaning. Vacancies to work at Poplar are always available to see on our website, so please share with anyone you think might be interested.

Article 17 - Access to information

#### World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 6 March. Book tokens were sent home last week but if this has been lost, a digital copy is available on the whole school dojo post from Monday 3 February.

The children are invited to dress up as a book character for World Book Day. Dressing up is optional, so those not dressing up should come to school in their uniform as usual. There is no expectation for costumes to be bought - homemade costumes or accessories are just as much fun!

We look forward to seeing a range of imaginative costumes on the day!

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

## Diary Dates

Curling event

*Monday 10 February* - 2.45pm Y3 shared learning event with parents

*Monday 10 February* - 5.30pm Y4 Ravenstor meeting for parents

*Tuesday 11 February* - Internet Safety Day

*Tuesday 11 February* - International Day of Women and Girls in Science

*Tuesday 11 February* - 5.30pm Y1 parent reading & phonics workshop

Wednesday 12 February - Young Voices Wednesday 12 February - 2.30pm EYFS shared learning event with parents Thursday 13 February - KS2 New Age

Thursday 13 February - 2.30pm Y2 shared learning event with parents
Friday 14 February - Last day of term 3

*Friday 21 February* - International Mother Language Day

Monday 24 February - First day of term 4
Wednesday 26 February - Mrs Tiller first
day back from maternity leave
Wednesday 26 February - Well-Being
Ambassadors to Newton House
Thursday 27 February - Planetarium in
school for Y1

*Monday 3 March* - Bulgaria, Liberation Day

Monday 3 March - UK Parliament Loan
Box in school for 3 weeks
Thursday 6 March - World Book Day

Friday 7 March - Y6 visit to The Holocaust Centre

*Friday 7 March* - KS2 swimming gala *Friday 7 March* - Mrs Wright's last day

*Monday 10 March* - Start of British Science Week

*Tuesday 11 March* - Lithuania, Restoration of Independence Day

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