

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 22 April 2024

As you might have seen on Class Dojo, with your incredible support at the recent Book Fair and the Sponsored Read we have received £1855.62 to spend on books for our school, which I'm sure you'll agree is a huge amount of money! A massive thank you to everyone who took part in these events.

*Article 29 - Goals of education*

Thank you as well to everyone who has brought in bags for the FoP Bag2School event. These bags will be collected from school on Tuesday, so please ensure all donations are in school by Tuesday drop-off. Information about the FoP non-uniform day on Friday was shared on Class Dojo at the end of last week. The Rainbow Raffle prizes are always varied and imaginative and I'm sure they will be just as awesome this year!

*Article 15 - Freedom of association*

**Mrs Hodson**

Head Teacher

## Attendance

Last week Class 3A had the highest attendance with 99%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was a disappointing 94.5%, which means the attendance for the year has fallen slightly to 95.3%.

Good attendance is essential for pupil wellbeing and academic progress. We aim for our attendance to be above 97% and hope you can help us meet this target.

*Article 28 - Right to an education*

## St. George's Day

Tuesday 23 April is St. George's Day, and children are invited to wear their rainbow, beaver, cub, scout, brownie or guide uniform to school to celebrate the day.

As well as being the patron saint of England, St. George is also the patron saint of scouting.

If your child is not a member of one of these groups, they need to wear their school uniform as usual.

*Article 15 - Freedom of association*

## Diary Dates

**Monday 22 April** - International Earth Day

**Monday 22 April** - Swimming pool on site for lessons this week

**Tuesday 23 April** - St. George's Day

**Tuesday 23 April** - FoP Bag2School collection date

**Tuesday 23 April** - 5.30pm Ravenstor residential parent meeting

**Thursday 25 April** - 4pm Cross-country event

**Friday 26 April** - FoP non-uniform day for a Rainbow Raffle donation

**Saturday 27 April** - South Africa, Freedom Day

**Monday 29 April** - Start of National Gardening Week

**Monday 29 April** - Swimming pool on site for lessons this week

**Monday 29 April** - International Dance Day

**Tuesday 30 April** - International Jazz Day

**Tuesday 30 April** - 1.30pm-6.30pm Parent consultation meetings for Classes RR; 1D and 4S

**Wednesday 1 May** - Y5 British Red Cross Workshop

**Thursday 2 May** - School closed due to Polling Station

**Friday 3 May** - Y5 visit to International Bomber Command Center

**Monday 6 May** - School closed for Early May Bank Holiday

**Monday 6 May** - Start of Deaf Awareness Week



## Staffing Updates

Following being appointed in new jobs at Grantham College and GANF, Mrs Clayson and Miss Hay will be leaving us towards the end of this term. We will inform you when new midday supervisors have been appointed.

At the end of last term, Miss Akhrass and Miss Jefferis were appointed to join our teaching team in September 2024. They will be at the 'meet your teacher' morning in July to meet their classes, as well as visiting us during the summer term. Last week Mrs Whitlam was appointed as our new Site Manager. She will be joining our team in June 2024. All three new members of staff are looking forward to becoming part of our Poplar family!

*Article 17 - Access to information*

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## The Poplar Promise

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