

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter



## Monday 3 March 2025

A reminder that World Book Day takes place on Thursday this week and the children are invited to dress up as a book character on the 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!

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

We're delighted that all our families are linked on Class Dojo, but please ensure that any messages about end of day collections, or other changes are sent to the main office with a phone call or an email. Teachers cannot guarantee they will see messages during the day.

*Article 18 - Parental responsibilities*

Later this term we have Parent's Evenings taking place on Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 April. You will be able to book an appointment (1 per child) on MCAS from 18 March at 7pm.

*Article 17 - Access to information*

### **Mrs Hodson**

Head Teacher

#### Attendance

Last week, Class 5S had the highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.5%, which means the attendance for the year to date has remained at 95.8%.

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*

#### Comic Relief

We will be fundraising for Comic Relief on Friday 14 March and have a few activities taking place in school.

We have a limited stock of the official 'Red Noses' which can be bought on MCAS from today.

For a suggested donation of £1 (payable on MCAS) the children can wear official Red Nose Day merchandise or red clothes to school on Friday 14 March. Any children not wanting to take part can wear their school uniform as usual.

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#### Staffing Updates

I am delighted to inform you that Miss Smith has been appointed as our Behaviour, Relationships and Learning Mentor. She is looking forward to starting her new post in school and introducing the 'Willow Room' to the children. Mrs Jiliani will be working in Y2 to support the children Miss Smith has previously been working with.

We also have some very exciting news to share with you. Mrs Bamford is expecting her first baby in August. She shared her news with Y6 on Friday and like us, they were overjoyed for her. Mrs Bamford will be with us for the rest of this academic year, and we will inform you when plans to cover her maternity leave have been finalised.

*Article 17 - Access to information*

#### Diary Dates

**Monday 3 March** - Bulgaria, Liberation Day

**Monday 3 March** - Dyscalculia Awareness 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

**Saturday 8 March** - International Women's Day

**Monday 10 March** - Start of British Science Week

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

**Thursday 13 March** - International School Meals Day

**Thursday 13 March** - Y2 Dealing with emotions workshop

**Friday 14 March** - Comic Relief

**Sunday 16 March** - Gymnastics competition

**Monday 17 March** - Swimming lessons at school for 3 weeks

**Monday 17 March** - St. Patrick's Day

**Monday 17 March** - Neurodiversity celebration week

**Monday 17 March** - Y5 NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop

**Monday 17 March** - Y6 welcome evening at Walton Academy

**Wednesday 19 March** - Y6 NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop

**Thursday 20 March** - Mrs Steel's last day  
**Thursday 20 March** - Y5/6 Bee Netball competition

**Friday 21 March** - Puppet Show for Y2

**Sunday 23 March** - Maths Day

**Sunday 23 March** - National Day of Reflection

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#### The Poplar Promise

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