

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 25 November 2024

We are looking forward to welcoming you to parents' evening this week. All appointments will take place in the school hall, so please make your way to one of the hall doors when you arrive and sign-in at the table where me, Mrs Buckley or Miss Mason will be waiting for you!

Article 18 - Parental responsibilities

We are getting excited for our December Poplar traditions. Monday 2 December is 'Bring a Bauble' day, when the children can bring a tree decoration or bauble to help decorate one of the Christmas trees in school. Please don't feel any pressure to buy anything new - an old one from home or a homemade one would be perfect! We also have a tree in the main entrance that younger siblings can decorate when they drop off or collect older siblings from school.

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

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Class 3A had the highest attendance with 98%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 94.6%, which means the attendance for the year has fallen slightly to 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 new School Cook and I'm delighted to inform you that last week, Mrs Lyon was appointed and will join us in January 2025. A massive thank you to Mrs Sheeran who has stepped up to be our temporary Cook until Mrs Lyon joins us.

This week we also welcome Miss Jarvis to our Teaching Assistant team who will support children in EYFS.

Article 17 - Access to information

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

Why did the school move to the MCAS system?

As mentioned on a previous newsletter, the decision to move to MCAS was made by our academy trust, for all CIT primary schools to use the same platform. With changes there can often be difficulties, but the Bromcom website has many parent guides and a FAQ section for parents to use. The link can be found [here](#) and we hope you find the guides helpful in answering your queries and getting the most from the app.

Who is on the school Safeguarding Team?

Mrs Buckley is our Designated Safeguarding Lead and Mrs Anderson, Mrs Hodson and Mrs Thorpe are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. If you have any safeguarding concerns, you can speak to any member of the safeguarding team in confidence. The team members have completed the required training and keep up to date with relevant information.

Article 12 - Right to express an opinion

Diary Dates

Tuesday 26 November - 3.30-6pm parents' evening

Wednesday 27 November - No Pens Day

Wednesday 27 November - 5-7.30pm parents' evening

Saturday 30 November - St. Andrew's Day

Sunday 1 December - Romania, Great Union Day

Monday 2 December - Bring a bauble 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



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The Poplar Promise

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