

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 14 October 2024

Last week some of our Y6 children went to Grafham Water for a 2-night residential. They all had an awesome time trying out new sports such as paddle boarding and wind surfing. A massive thank you to the members of staff who accompanied them, spending 2 nights away from their own families.

A massive thank you as well to the staff who supported the Y6 children who remained in school. They enjoyed a variety of activities, and it was great to see the children approach them all with such positivity.

*Article 31 - Take part in a wide range of activities*

I can't believe we're in the final week of term 1! I hope you all have an enjoyable break, and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday 29 October 2024.

*Article 18 – Parental responsibilities*

**Mrs Hodson**

Head Teacher

## Attendance

Last week Classes 1R and 6B had the joint highest attendance with 99.7%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for the week was 96.8%, which means the attendance for the year has risen slightly to 96.2%.

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*

## FoP AGM

Due to many committee members being unwell, the planned AGM for tonight has been postponed to Monday 11 November at 7.30pm. We hope those planning to attend will still be able to join us.

A Teams link to join the meeting will be shared with you before Monday 11 November.

*Article 15 - Freedom of association*



## Requests from school

Our children are enjoying their playtimes and lunchtimes with the range of toys and games they have access to. However, if these are not stored correctly, they can soon become broken and un-usable. With this in mind, please can you ensure that younger children do not play with the toys and games whilst waiting for older siblings to come out from school at the end of the day. Thank you for your support with this.

As the weather continues to turn more autumnal, please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear to access our outside provision. Children cannot use the field at playtimes and lunchtimes if they do not have a pair of wellies to change into. Their wellies can be kept in a bag in their locker. Children also need a named coat and will soon require hats and gloves as well, as we continue to use our outside environment throughout autumn and winter. Thank you!

*Article 18 - Parental responsibilities*

## Diary Dates

**Monday 14 October** - 2.45pm Y3

Open Afternoon for parents

**Tuesday 15 October** - Y2 to Londonthorpe Woods

**Tuesday 15 October** - 9.30am Talk and tour at Walton Academy for Y6 children and parents

**Tuesday 15 October** - 2.45pm Y5 Open Afternoon for parents

**Wednesday 16 October** - 2pm Open afternoon for September 2025 intake

**Wednesday 16 October** - 2.45pm Y6 Open Afternoon for parents

**Thursday 17 October** - World Values Day

**Thursday 17 October** - LGBT workshop for Y6

**Thursday 17 October** - 2.45pm Y4 Open Afternoon for parents

**Friday 18 October** - Last day of term 1

**Tuesday 29 October** - Term 2 begins

**Tuesday 29 October** - Turkey, Republic Day

**Tuesday 29 October** - FoP Bag2School drop off window opens

**Thursday 31 October** - Well-Being Ambassadors to visit Newton House

**Thursday 31 October** - KS2 Girls Football Event

**Friday 1 November** - 3.15pm FoP Treat Sale

**Thursday 7 November** - FoP Bag2School collection date

**Thursday 7 November** - Y5/6 mixed football event



Phone: 01476 850680 / Website: <https://www.poplarfarmsch-cit.co.uk/website/> / X: @poplarfarmsch

## The Poplar Promise

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