

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 6 July 2020

Thank you to everyone who supported our Sports Week. It was wonderful to see you all enjoying the activities. We look forward to sharing the results and video with you later this week. A big thank you to Mrs Thorpe for organising the events, results and video.

I am delighted to inform you that we have made our final staff appointment for September. Miss King will be joining our teaching assistant team, and she is looking forward to joining the Poplar team.

Following the government announcement last week, I can confirm that school **will not** be open over the summer for childcare or any school-led activities. The last day for childcare provision at Poplar will be Friday 17 July. On the last 2 days of term, all staff will be involved with the 'meet the teacher' sessions and organising classrooms and learning spaces for September. We have a range of guidance from the government about how to keep the children as safe as possible in their learning spaces. We will be arranging these on the last two days of term, before the school summer deep clean takes place.

The announcement also stated that all schools will be open for all children in September. There will be staggered start and end of day times, but it will be lovely to have all of our school family in school!

Mrs Hodson

Head Teacher

September Updates

Meet your teacher sessions

You will be informed of the timings for the 'meet the teacher' sessions later this week.

Stationery

When the children return to school in September, they will all be expected to bring their own stationery set to school, to avoid the sharing of resources that will be regularly used. The set should include: pencil; crayons; ruler; rubber; scissors; pencil sharpener; pritt stick / glue stick. If you have any problems sourcing these items, please let us know.

Uniform

The children will be expected to wear school uniform in September. The last date to order uniform from MAPAC is 3rd August. Click [here](#) for more information.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, you are entitled to two free pieces of uniform (coat / jumper / cardigan / polo shirt). To take advantage of this, please email Mrs Thorpe with your request - enquiries@poplarfarmsch-cit.co.uk - remembering to include the size for both items.

Diary Dates

Monday 6 July - Peacock, Parrott and Penguin groups in school

Monday 6 July - Weekly theme 'Polar Regions'

Tuesday 7 July - World chocolate day

Friday 10 July - End of year reports home to parents

Monday 13 July - Peacock, Parrott and Penguin groups in school

Monday 13 July - Weekly theme 'Fairy Tales'

Friday 17 July - Last day of childcare provision

Monday 20 July - Weekly theme 'Fairy Tales'

Monday 20 July - Meet your teacher sessions, EYFS & Y2

Tuesday 21 July - Meet your teacher sessions, Y1

Tuesday 21 July - Last day of academic year

Thursday 3 September - Term 1 begins

Friday 25 September - Photographer in school for class photos

Thursday 22 October - Last day of term 1

Monday 2 November - Term 2 begins



You might be eligible for Free School Meals if you receive:

- Income support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

For the summer holiday, you will receive an Edenred supermarket voucher for £90 at the start of the holiday. You can also order 2 free items of school uniform.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>