

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday 4 May 2021

The children enjoyed our Number Day in school last Friday. Class teachers shared many photos on Class Dojo for you to see the range of activities Mr Murphy had arranged for the children to take part in. It was also wonderful to hear how much the children are loving playing on Numbots or Times Table Rock Stars at home. Some children in Year 2 played over 300 games last week - incredible!!!

Next week is 'National Walk to School Week' and as an Eco-School, Poplar Farm School will be taking part in this. Classes will be tracking every day how the children come to school, and those who manage to walk every day will receive a certificate at the end of the week. I know some of you have to drive to school. If this is the case, if you park further away from school than usual and then walk to school, this can still be counted as walking to school. We hope you enjoy taking part in this national event.

Mrs Hodson
Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Firefly Class had the highest attendance with 99.6%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for last week was 97.6%, and the attendance for the year to date has remained at 96.9%.

We are aiming for our whole school attendance to be over 97%, and we hope you continue to support us in achieving this level of attendance.

Absences

In line with our attendance policy, parents or carers need to contact the school before 8.50am to notify us of a pupil absence.

Over the past couple of weeks, office staff have been making an increased number of phone calls to enquire why children are not at school, as messages have not been left from parents or carers.

If your child is absent, please contact school for every day of their absence. Thank you!

NSPCC helpline

The Department for Education has commissioned the NSPCC to establish a dedicated independent helpline for people who have experienced abuse in education. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2021/sexual-abuse-victims-schools-helpline/>

The helpline went live on 1 April, and will provide both children and adults who have experienced sexual abuse in schools with support and advice, including onward action such as contacting the police if they wish to. The helpline will also provide support to parents and professionals. Anyone who gets in touch through this dedicated helpline will also be signposted to other relevant support services available, including Childline, which provides ongoing support and counselling to children and young people.

The dedicated and confidential NSPCC helpline - Report Abuse in Education can be reached on 0800 136 663 or by email at help@nspcc.org.uk.

Diary Dates

Monday 10 May - National water saving week

Monday 10 May - Class and group photographs

Monday 17 May - Mental health awareness week

Monday 17 May - National walk to school week

Monday 24 May - National children's gardening week

Tuesday 25 May - 11.15am EYFS outside reading event and picnic with parents

Tuesday 25 May - 6pm Parent information meeting for Sept. intake

Wednesday 26 May - 11.15am Y1 outside reading event and picnic with parents

Thursday 27 May - 11.15am Y2 outside reading event and picnic with parents

Friday 28 May - Last day of term 5

Monday 7 June - Term 6 begins

Tuesday 15 June - Scholastic book fair in school for a week

Monday 28 June - Arts Week 1

Tuesday 29 June - Sports Day

Monday 5 July - Arts Week 2

Tuesday 6 July - Reserve day for Sports Day



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Article 29 - education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full.