

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 14 December 2020

Thank you to everyone who supported the 'Christmas Jumper' day last week. The children had a fun festive day with the Santa Dash, Christmas Dinner and a special visitor! We will inform you of the total amount raised for Save the Children when all money has been counted.

Thank you to everyone who contacted us about the proposed change to the school jumper. We received many positive comments, and I'm delighted to inform you that the proposed change will go ahead. Thank you again for your comments last week. We have also spent some time re-organising the school website, to hopefully make the menus more user friendly and more informative for everyone. We hope you enjoying browsing!



The last day of term 2 is Thursday, and I hope you all have a happy and healthy Christmas break. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 up until December 23rd, please inform me in a direct message on Class Dojo. We look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 4 January 2021.

Mrs Hodson
Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week, Firefly Class had the highest attendance with 99.3%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for last week was 98.4%, and the attendance for the year has remained at 98.2%.

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

Updates & Reminders

In term 3, there are a couple of changes to PE days in school: EYFS, Wednesday; Y1, Monday & Friday; Y2, Tuesday & Thursday. The children are to continue to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days.

Thank you to everyone who has completed the **school lunch** orders for term 3. A reminder that these need to be completed by Thursday. The menus are available on the school website for you to view week by week.
https://www.poplarfarmsch-cit.co.uk/web/school_meals/427683

Diary Dates

Monday 14 December - Virtual pantomime week in school

Thursday 17 December - Last day of term 2

Monday 4 January - Term 3 begins

Wednesday 6 January - First playground leader training for 6 Y2 children

Wednesday 13 January - First family learning session

Wednesday 20 January - Martin Luther-King Day

Friday 29 January - 2pm open afternoon for Y1 parents

Tuesday 2 February - Inspire+ assembly

Friday 5 February - 2pm open afternoon for EYFS parents

Tuesday 9 February - Safer internet day

Wednesday 10 February - Final playground leader training for 6 Y2 children

Friday 12 February - Chinese New Year

Friday 12 February - 2pm open afternoon for Y2 parents

Friday 12 February - Last day of term 3



Parent Questionnaires

As I mentioned on a previous newsletter, following parent questionnaires, I will respond to some of the comments each week:

Communication

We are lucky to have so many platforms to be able to share communications with you, but some parents commented that we need more consistency with these.

We use ParentHub to share all letters and updates. Class Dojo is used for class and school celebrations, as are Twitter and Facebook. Parents can also send direct messages to members of staff on Class Dojo.

If we need to contact you urgently, but cannot get through on the phone, we will send a message on both ParentHub and Class Dojo to try and reach you.

In the event of a school closure or other emergency, we will use both ParentHub and Class Dojo, to ensure everyone sees the message as soon as possible.

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