

# Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 24 May 2021

Thank you to everyone who supported the FoP Virtual Balloon Race and helped to raise £500. Your fundraising efforts from this event have been donated to school for Sensory Garden resources. Every child in school will benefit from this donation, so thank you again!

At the end of this week, the first class reading raffles will be drawn. It has been brilliant to see so many children read for pleasure at home, and I know they are hoping to win a gold coin to use in our vending machine. Thank you for your support with reading at home, reading really does make such a positive difference to learning across the whole curriculum.

It is wonderful to see children bike or scoot to school. Please can I request that bikes and scooters are secured with a bike lock either in the bike shelters, or against a fence. This will ensure they do not get damaged during the day, or used during playtimes and lunchtimes. I would also like to remind you that Y2 children need to wait with their adult in the morning, and not play in the bike shelters and on the nearby grass. Thank you for your support.

**Mrs Hodson**

Head Teacher

## Attendance

Last week, Puma Class had the highest attendance with 100%. Well done!

The whole school attendance for last week was 96.7%, and the attendance for the year to date has dropped slightly to 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.

## Reading events

A reminder about the reading events taking place this week.

The events will start at 11.15am, and will finish at 1pm. One parent / carer for each child is invited to join us at 11.15am to enjoy an outside reading event (weather permitting) with their child, before enjoying a picnic lunch on the field.

The school will provide children with a picnic lunch, but adults will need to bring their own.

## Poplar Pioneers

Thank you to the current Brightstars parents who have completed the Poplar Pioneers questionnaire for us. Your responses have enabled us to ensure we have resources the children enjoy using, ready for when we open on Monday 28 June 2021. We really appreciate your honesty and support.

A reminder that Poplar Pioneers will be run by school staff, and the opening times will be 7.30-8.45am and 3.15-5.50pm. Parents will be able to book and pay for the provision through the ParentMail app.

Further information about Poplar Pioneers will be sent home after half term, and will include more details about sibling discount, as well as the use of childcare vouchers to pay towards the fees.



## Diary Dates

**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 8 June** - World Oceans Day

**Wednesday 9 June** - Y2 Pedestrian safety workshop

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

**Tuesday 15 June** - Great science share

**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

**Friday 9 July** - End of year reports and September 2021 class information sent home to parents

**Monday 12 July** - Arts Week 3

**Monday 12 July** - Move up morning for all children



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