

Poplar Farm Weekly Newsletter

Monday 19 July 2021

Wow! We've made it to the end of the academic year, and what a year it has been! Thank you for your support and understanding as we've navigated our way through the COVID-19 guidance. We've all had to make adaptations to our usual way of living and working, but our children have shown great resilience throughout the year in school. We are so proud of them!

Although today has been announced as 'Freedom Day', as with all other CIT schools, our bubbles and current risk assessment remain in place for these last few days of term. Our changes, inline with the revised guidance will come in to action in September. There is some additional information for September in this newsletter, I hope you will find it useful.

I wish you all an enjoyable and happy summer break, and I hope you all stay safe. If you or your children are stuck for any ideas, there are some great activities on the poster at the end of the newsletter. The school office closes on Wednesday, so although you can still email or send a Class Dojo, these will not be checked until the end of August, so please don't expect an immediate reply. Have a great summer everyone!

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 97.1%, and the attendance for the year to date has remained at 96.9%.

Thank you for helping us almost achieve our target of 97%. Our attendance is above the national average - thank you for your support!

September drop off & collection

We hope that from September we will no longer be living our life in year group bubbles.

You will be able to drop off / collect your child at the most convenient gate for you. However, **do not park** in the school car park. If you have to drive to school, park nearby and walk to the nearest gate.

The school day is 8.45am-3.15pm. Please adhere to these times. Early collections will not be permitted, unless evidenced for exceptional circumstances.

Diary Dates

Monday 19 July - 2.30pm Y1 end of year celebration assembly with parents

Tuesday 20 July - 2.30pm Y2 end of year celebration assembly with parents

Wednesday 21 July - Last day of term 6

Monday 6 September - First day of term 1

Monday 6 September - National read a book day

Wednesday 8 September - International literacy day

Thursday 9 September - Stone Age workshop for Y3

Monday 13 September - Roald Dahl story day

Wednesday 15 September - International day of democracy

Friday 17 September - 3.15pm FoP Summer Fair

Monday 20 September - National recycle week

Tuesday 21 September - Photographer in school for individual photos

Tuesday 21 September - International day of peace

Friday 24 September - 9am Macmillan coffee morning

Friday 24 September - Dogs Trust workshops for whole school

September 2021

From September, children **will not** need to bring in a pencil case with stationery to school. All items required for learning will be provided in classrooms. However, we would like the children to wear their PE kit on their PE days.

| Year Group | Term 1 topic title | PE days |
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| Reception | Nursery rhymes | Wednesday |
| Year 1 | What makes me unique? | Wednesday & Friday |
| Year 2 | Could we keep a dragon in school? | Thursday & Friday |
| Year 3 | Who first lived in Britain? | Tuesday & Thursday |



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The best homework ever!

How many of these can you do? Choose at least 5 of these to accomplish. The main thing that you **must** do is... have fun!



 1 Make up an exciting adventure story in your head – can you retell it to someone?

2 Invent something new, can you draw a picture of it or write a description?

3 Read a book, comic or magazine somewhere unusual. Can someone take a photo of you doing it?

4 Make friends with someone new

5 Find a hill and go rolling down it

6 Have a water fight

7 Make up a dance routine to your favourite song

8 Go for a long walk somewhere you've never been before

9 Collect some leaves and twigs and make a piece of 'wild art'

10 Build something; a den, a fort – your choice!

11 Make paper aeroplanes and see which flies the furthest



12 Start a scrapbook of your summer holiday memories



13 Play a board game with your family

14 Stay out till it's dark. What can you spot? Stars? Bats? Or something else?



15 Lie down outside and cloud spot, what shapes can you see?

16 Write a letter or postcard to someone

17 Climb up a tree and monkey around

18 Learn something new – can you find a new hobby?

19 Watch the sunset – can you draw a picture of it?



20 Visit the library and find a new favourite book

21 Get your wellies on and get muddy! Can you make a mud pie?

22 Do something kind for someone

23 Make shadow puppets – can you do a show for someone?

24 Camp out in the garden – what an adventure!



25 Find some flat stones and go stone skipping

26 Start a collection

27 Learn to use a compass – can you find your way with a map?

28 Go on a bug hunt – how many can you find?



29 Hide some treasure and make a treasure map for your friends to find it

30 Help to make a delicious meal for your family

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