

Poplar News (8.3.19)



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was fantastic to see all the children dressed up and engaged in their books today. We celebrated World Book Day by sharing our books; describing our favourite characters and watching famous authors explain how they use real life experiences to write their books. Thank you all for fully supporting a great cause. Additionally, the children's concentration during sponsored reading has been excellent. In class, the children taking part logged a minimum of 130 minutes.

Our learning week started with the children creating their own text maps for Decadent Dragon Diamonds. They used a series of pictures, words and actions to help them internalise the text. Next, the children learnt our new English word of the week - colossal. After that, they used real life leaflets to identify and record the key features/language of a persuasive text. This week's spelling focus is homophones and near homophones (grown and groan). In maths, the children began their new unit of work on measurement (length and perimeter) through practical measuring tasks inside and outside the classroom. They also converted between different units of measurement. Earthquakes was our Extreme Earth geography focus this week. The children learnt how they are caused, the different scales used for recording their power and used atlases to find and plot the location of 8 recorded earthquakes. In addition to this week's PE lessons, the children had a Norfolk County Council cricket coach in on Monday afternoon who delivered a fantastic session on catching.

We are all very excited about next Wednesday's trip to Wandlebury for our Iron Age Experience and Friday's PTA Film Night. Could I please ask you all to refer to the back of this newsletter for further details regarding both events? I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Mr Paull, Mrs Whiting and all in Poplar Class.

Key Dates:

Y3 Iron Age Trip - 13th March

PTA hosted film night - 15th March

Y3 Parent Lunch - 27th March

Parent Consultations - 27th & 28th March

Wandlebury Iron Age Experience - Wednesday 13th March 2019

Timings:

The coach will be leaving school promptly at 8.30 am, so children will need to be in school by 8.20 am. We will be returning between 3.30 - 3.45 pm, so please make arrangements to collect your child at this time.

Snacks and lunch:

Children will need to bring their own snack and packed lunch including a drink (no chocolate or breakable containers please).

Clothing:

Children will need to wear their school sweatshirts with suitable outdoor clothing and sturdy footwear for a day spent outside on the grass. There is limited shelter so children will need to bring a warm waterproof jacket in case of wind and rain. Everything will need to be in a rucksack, which they will be required to carry themselves.

PTA Film Night - Friday 15th March 2019

Timings

*3.15 - 5.30 pm

*It has been agreed with the PTA that children will be able to go straight into the hall after school if someone is there to meet them and they have brought a ticket in advance. If, however, you wish to pay at the door then your child will be dismissed to you as normal first and then you can enter together. The Film Night is scheduled to begin at 3.30 pm.

Clothes & cushions

Children are encouraged to bring these items into school on Friday morning. Please ensure they are named or in a named bag.

Money (for interval drinks/sweets/glow sticks etc)

Money must be brought to school in a named envelope / purse. Class teachers will collect these in the morning and lock them away in their class cupboard. Class teachers will then hand envelopes / purses over to the children or PTA at the end of the school day.