

# Poplar Street Primary School

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## Dear parents and Carers...

### Welcome to new staff to Poplar Street

Welcome back to this academic school year. We have a few new faces around school and welcome them into the Poplar Street family, they are, Miss Robinson in Year 5, Miss Orchard in Year 1, Miss Lewis in Reception, Miss Mason T/a in Year 3 and three new midday assistants, Ms Reah, Miss McDonald and Miss Walmsley.

### Smoking

It has been reported that a parent has been seen smoking in the school playground. May I remind you that the Local Authority has forbidden smoking on all school premises.

### Dinner Money

Just a reminder, dinner money must be paid on a regular basis to avoid arrears. Dinner money is paid via Parent Pay and is £10.65 per week.

### Traffic Around School

The parking issues are becoming critical around school. Patrollers will be regularly visiting school so make sure you don't park on the zigzags or over residents' driveways. I realise that getting to school down a narrow winding road is not easy, **so don't do it!** Park on the pub car park and walk the few minutes to school. If you have to come to school by car, please take care, drive slowly.

PLEASE NOTE: The car park is for staff only.

### Photographs

Following the photographer's visit, your child's photograph can now be viewed online. Orders can be made online or by post. No money or orders should be sent into school.

### Year 6 - Online Applications for High Schools

The deadline for you to submit your online application is Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, any applications submitted after the closing date will be treated as 'late' and will not be processed until after those submitted on time. A link to the application is available via our school website, under 'parents'

### Parentpay

If you haven't already signed up to Parentpay, can you please do so as we are using this not only for payments and consents, but also for communication purposes and also for paying for school meals. We are a cashless school and all payments are to be made via Parent Pay.

### Free 'Pit Stop' Breakfast Offer

We are still offering children from Reception to Year 6 a free 'pit stop' breakfast in the school hall from 8.30am. If you would like your child to have breakfast, we ask parents to bring them in through the main reception from 8.30 - 8.40am. All children arriving after this time must go via their usual playground entrances. Please supervise your child/ren before Pit Stop opens; use the pink Tarmac area near to the walkway as a safe place to wait.

### School Bags

As we are an ever-growing school, cloakroom space is extremely limited. Please provide your child with a small-sized bag, one that will fit just what they need.

Working together - aiming high

## Class Dojo Years' 1 - 6

Question: have you signed up to Class Dojo? If not you are missing out on what is happening during the school day. Class Dojo is an online communication system which allows you to receive information about your child. If you haven't signed up yet speak to your child's class teacher.

## Poplar Street News!

Keep an eye on our Facebook/Twitter pages for up-to-date information on what is happening in school:

## Dates for your Diaries.....

Friday	26 <sup>th</sup> October	School finishes for half term
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> October	High School online application deadline Year 6 (link is available on our website under the 'parents' section)
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Online applications can be made for Reception class 2018 (link is available on our website under the 'parents' section)
Monday	5 <sup>th</sup> November	School starts back
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> November	Wild Hair Day-donation £1 Must wear uniform
Monday	12 <sup>th</sup> November	Wear odd socks (uniform to be worn) Anti bullying week
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need donations please-Spots and bright colours
Friday	23 <sup>RD</sup> November	Unused toiletries/gifts (no toilet rolls or bleach) Non Uniform
Friday	30 <sup>th</sup> November	Chocolate - Non Uniform
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Activity Evening 3.30 - 5pm

### Christmas Performance Week - Afternoons/ Evenings Week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Further details about the performances will be sent out later.

### School Christmas dinner Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December- watch out for letter

### Class Parties Week commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December Further details to follow

Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Jumper day
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> December	3.15pm we finish for the Christmas Break.

Back to school in the New Year Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Mr Linsdell  
Headteacher.