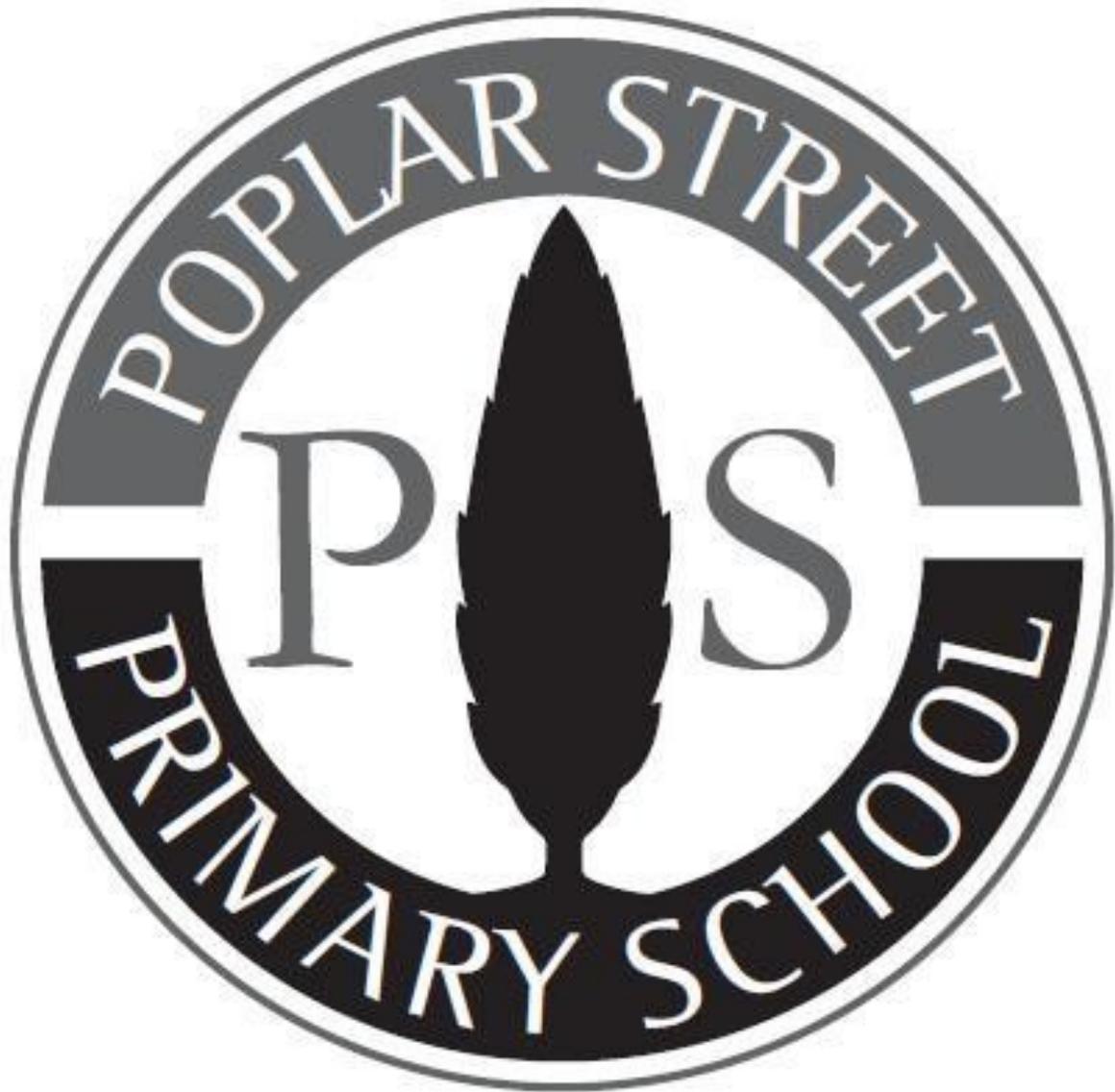


Poppy Post



Year 2

Summer term

'Working together-aiming high.'

Welcome to this term's newsletter.

Dear Parents /Carers,

This term as well as Literacy, Maths and Science we will be

following two themes: **Who says girls can't be pirates?** and **Do dragons really exist?**

In the first half term, we will be looking at pirate rules, jobs and life on board a pirate ship and famous pirates.

The children will have opportunities to create their own pirate portraits and rafts and design some treasure maps.

After the half term break, we will be learning about dragons, knights and castles. We will look at the structure of castles and learn about life within the walls. We will read about St George and the Dragon and study paintings that depict this story. In Art, we will also study the painting *Castle and Sun* by Paul Klee and attempt our own interpretations.



Reading:



Thank you for all your support when hearing your child read. We would be grateful if you could listen to them read, ask them questions about the book and help them with any problems they have. Please sign their diaries when you hear them read. Children receive rewards for reaching a target of 50 and 100 reads.

PE

Children need to have their PE kit in school every day. They need tee-shirt, shorts and pumps, for indoor sessions and sweatshirts, jogging trousers or leggings for outdoor sessions. All children **must have** their earrings removed on their PE day. Please bear in mind that we are not able to remove them on your behalf.

Currently all Year 2 children have PE on a Tuesday morning.



Homework:

Year 2 children will receive Maths, Literacy and spelling homework on a Tuesday, to be returned on the following Tuesday.

If I have not got homework there are lots of things I can do:

Answer questions orally about my reading book

Practise number bonds to 20 e.g. $14 + 3 = 17$ so $17 - 3 = 14$

Practise number compliments to 20 e.g. $15 + 5 = 20$ so $20 - 5 = 15$

Recognise and write numbers to 100 at least

Learn to identify shapes e.g. triangle, square, oblong, circle, pentagon, hexagon, octagon

and talk about their properties e.g. numbers of sides, corners, right angles

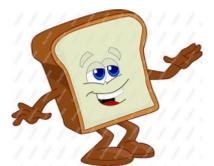
The expectation for the end of Year 2 is for all children to know their 2's, 5's and 10's times tables in and **out of order** and the **corresponding division facts**.

Welcome Meetings

In the week beginning 20th July, school will hold 'Welcome meetings' after school and in the early evenings. These are an opportunity to meet the staff who will be working with your child in the next academic year and a chance to look around the classrooms.

Snack money:

Fruit is free in Year 2. We offer water for all to drink. We do offer milk which is charged termly, please look out for the letters.



Future dates:

Monday 2nd May - Bank holiday school closed

Friday 27th May - School closes

Monday 13th June - School opens

Week beginning 13th June - Phonics screening resits

Tuesday 26th July - School closes

Tuesday 6th September - School opens.



School uniform:

The children all look very smart in their summer school uniforms. Please could we ask that you label all your children's clothing (including PE kit, jackets and footwear) clearly with their name and class, if you have not done so already. This will help us to ensure that children do not lose their belongings in school.

What to do should you need to speak to us:

Home school diaries are a great way to communicate messages between parents and teachers. Therefore, please could we ask that diaries are sent into school daily.

Mornings can be busy for all, there may not always be a chance to speak to the class teacher. To help with this we have a member of staff on the door available from 8:50 to pass on any urgent messages or queries you may have.

Do you have any talents or skills that you could share?

Come and join our Poplar Street family and be part of your child's education.

Can you:-

Help hear readers?

Are you creative?

Can you tell stories?

Are you enthusiastic?



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to speak to us.