

Snacks:

We offer water for all children to drink. We would encourage children to bring in their own water bottle which they can have access to throughout the day. Please ensure it is clearly labelled. Please note any squash/flavored water/ sports drinks/fizzy drinks are not allowed in school and will be sent back home at the end of the day.

Milk is offered via the school milk scheme which is payable through ParentPay. Please could we remind parents that they should only send a healthy snack into school for morning break.

Children wanting to pay for a school snack, should do so via Parent Pay. If you have any questions regarding this, then please contact the office directly.

Future dates:

Thursday 5th October—Enabling Enterprises Challenge Day

Thursday 12th October—Fire Service visit school

Monday 16th October—Safe Squad

Tuesday 24th October—Parents Meetings

Thursday 26th October—Parents Meetings

Friday 27th October—School finishes for half term

Monday 6th November —Back to school

Tuesday 14th November—Cinema Trip

Wednesday 20th December—School finishes for Christmas

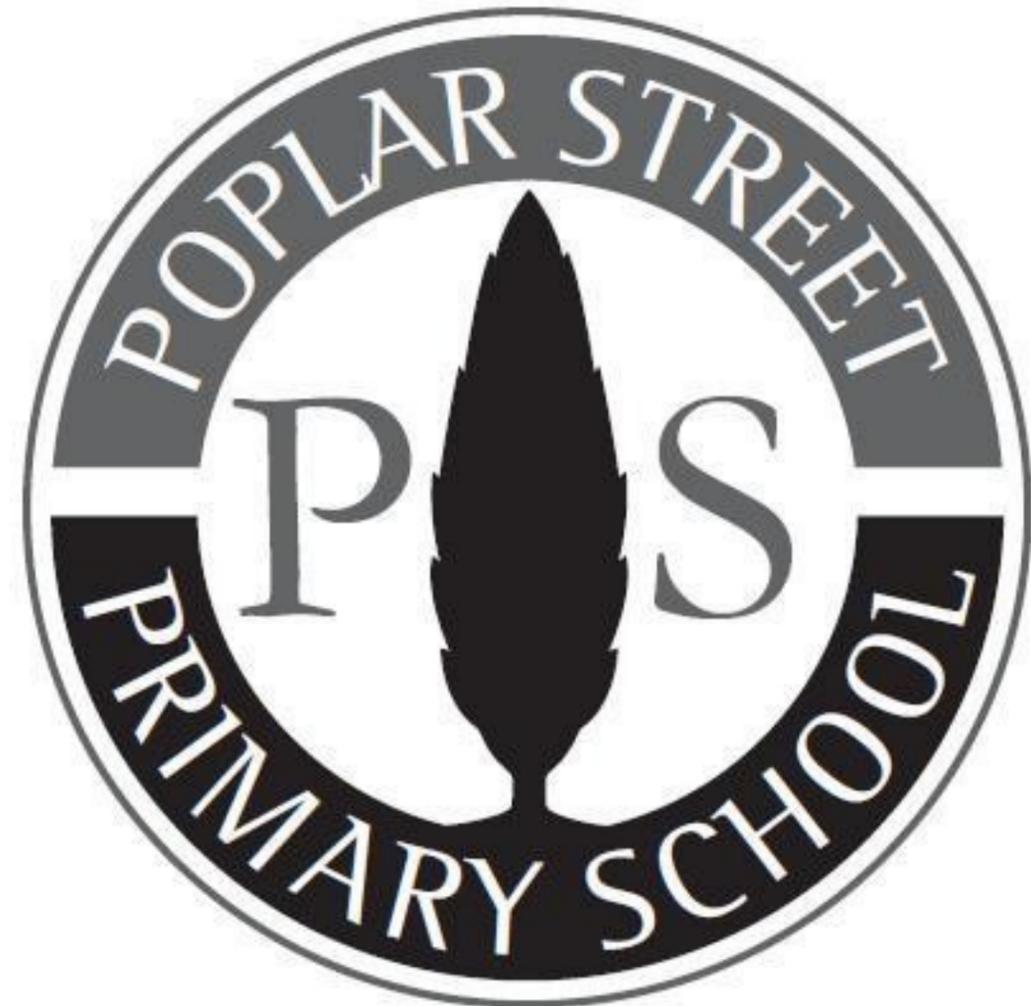
For more information about what's happening in Year 6, visit the Year 6 web page at www.poplarstreet.tameside.sch.uk where you will find weekly news as well as our continually updated Twitter feed and Class Dojo pages.

Poplar Street Primary School—Year 6

Working together—Aiming high



Poppy Post



'Working together—aiming high.'

Year 6 - Autumn Term—2017

Join  today for updates on your child's day at school. Parents who have used it agree that it is easy to keep track of your child's behaviour and activities in school. It is also a fantastic way to contact your child's teacher.

Autumn Newsletter:

Dear Parents /Carers,

Here are some details about the topics we will continue to enjoy until the Christmas holidays.

Topics:

Our topic for the whole term is 'Ancient Greece'. Much of our work will be based around traditional Greek Mythology stories and we will also be looking at 'Who Let the Gods Out' by Maz Evans. During the first half-term, we will be focusing on SPaG and reading comprehension. In the second half-term, our written work will be based on Greek mythology, persuasive texts and poetry.



In geography, we will be improving our knowledge of Europe, focusing primarily on Greece. In history we will be studying the achievements of the Ancient Greeks and their influence on the western world.

Our Science topics are Animals (including humans) and Electricity.

School Trip: We will be going to Tameside's Safe Squad (formerly Crucial Crew) on the afternoon of Monday 16th October. We are also hoping to attend St Stephen's church in the run up to Christmas as part of our religious studies.

Reading:

Thank you for your support in listening to your child read. Even though your child is in Year 6, it is more important than ever that you continue reading with your child. **We would be grateful if you could encourage them to use independent strategies to read unknown words and check their understanding by asking them questions about the book.** Your child should be making their own notes in their planners of the pages they have read. Please sign your child's planner by Thursday to acknowledge that they have read at home. We are now changing reading books every day. As soon as a book is finished, children will complete a book review in school, and then exchange in the library.



Homework, Times tables and Spellings:

Year 6 children will receive **Literacy** and **Numeracy** homework each week. This is given out on a **Thursday**, to be returned by the following **Monday**.

Children are also given **spellings** to practice **each week** at home. They will be tested on these the following Wednesday. Our expectation is that all children should know all times tables and their division facts up to the 12x table. We have signed all the children up to Times Tables Rockstar. They have their login details in their planners so they can also practice on a computer or tablet at home.

School uniform:

The children all look very smart in their school uniforms. Please could we ask that you **label all your children's clothing** (including PE kit, coats 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. Long hair must be tied up for school.

PE:

PE for both classes is on Tuesday afternoons. Children need to have their PE kit in school every day. We will send them home every half term to be washed. They need a plain white nylon t-shirt, plain dark shorts and trainers.—pumps are now not deemed suitable footwear for PE lessons. You might like to provide your child with some jogging trousers for outdoor sessions, weather permitting. **All children must have their earrings removed on their PE day and have long hair tied back.**