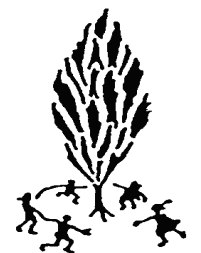


Friday Flyer



1st May 2009

Poplar Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Well done to all the children who took part in the May Day March today. Everyone really excelled themselves and I would like to thank all the children for their support and enthusiasm. Thank you also to the PTA and Mr. Cull who helped organise the event, all the parents who helped on the day and everyone who has sponsored a child! Sponsor forms and the money collected should be placed in a sealed envelope stating the child's name and class and handed to the class teacher from Tuesday onwards.

Next Week's Events

Monday 4 th May	-	School closed for Bank holiday
Tuesday 5 th May	-	School re-opens
Tuesday 5 th May	-	Millers Ark visiting Nursery and Reception Children
Thursday 7 th May	-	Year 4 to Rutlish School for Multi-Skills
Thursday 7 th May	-	Coffee morning with toddlers – New Hall 9-10.30am
Thursday 7 th May	-	Library open – 3.30pm-4.15pm
Friday 8 th May	-	Year 4 trip to Hampton Court

Advance Notice

Mon/Fri 11 th -15 th May	-	Year 6 SATs Week
Tuesday 12 th May	-	Year 5 trip to Morden Snuff Mills
Wednesday 13 th May	-	Year 5 (Hazel Class) trip to Thames Explorer
Thursday 14 th May	-	Year 5 (Willow Class) trip to Thames Explorer
Mon-Fri 18 th -22 nd May	-	Walk to School Week – See back of the Flyer

Advance Trip Notice for May

We thought it might be useful for parents to know of trips that we have already arranged for this half term. This is to enable you to plan ahead, perhaps even allowing you time to make arrangements to help out with the trip!

Monday 18 th May	-	Year 1 visit to Morden Baptist Church
Monday 18 th May	-	Year 3 visit to Baitful Mosque
Tuesday 19 th May	-	Year 4 visit to London Zoo
Friday 22 nd May	-	Year 6 visit Orange Tree Theatre to see "A Midsummer Nights Dream"

Staff News

We are sorry to announce that after 5 years with Poplar, Mr. Mike Cull our current Year 5 teacher, will be leaving at the end of the summer term, as he is moving with his fiancée to the Lake District to set up home near her parents. Mr. Cull has been an extremely popular member of staff and I am sure you will all join me in wishing him huge success in his new school and all that he does in the future.

London Marathon

Well done to Mr. Cull who completed the 26 mile course in 3 hours and 36 minutes – beating his time last year by 27 minutes! Thank you to everyone who donated to his designated charity "Sense".

Parent/Governor's

We will be holding a Parent Governor Meeting next Friday 8th May. Our current Parents Governors are: Mrs Helen Stinson, (children in Years 4 & 6); Mr Tim Wilkins, (Children in Years 4 & 5); Mrs Paula Sutcliff, (Child in Year 5); Mrs. Karen Jones, (Children in Years 3 & 6) and Mrs. Dhanika Madigasikara Children in Year 2 & 4). We shall be meeting once every half term, so if there is anything to do with the school that you would like us to discuss at these meetings please let one of the Parent Governors know or leave a written message for them in the school office - Thank you.

Music in May Assembly

This morning was the first of our Music in May Assemblies. Thank you to Jamie in Cedar class who played the piano and to Sami in Hazel Class who played the clarinet, both performed beautifully! We are still looking for more parents and children to perform in these assemblies and if you are able to, please either contact the school office or Mrs. Page/Miss Livermore our Music Co-ordinators. Thank you

Gardening Club

The Gardening Club is in desperate need of plastic flower pots – about 10cm in diameter. If you have any lying about in the garden or shed and you no longer need them – please send them in – Thank you

Best wishes for the weekend

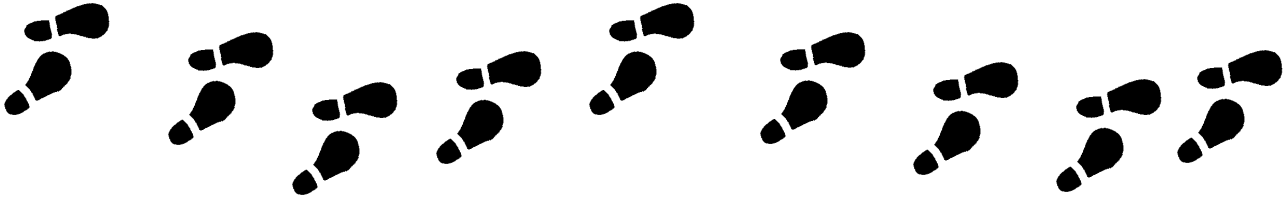
Katharine Davies

Mrs K R Davies
Headteacher

Poplar Primary School

Dear Parents/Carers

Walk to School Week



This year we will be taking part in Walk to School Week from Monday 18th May. Our aim for the week is that all children either walk or cycle to school.

We are very concerned about the number of children who come to school by car and parents who are parking on the zig-zag lines outside the school gates. Parking on these lines within school hours is actually illegal and also dangerous.

Our aim for the week is that all children walk or cycle to school. The benefits are:

- it gives you time to talk to your children and neighbours, also children meet their friends on the journey
- it's an opportunity for children to get some exercise, they will be more ready for lessons after walking/cycling than after sitting in the car
- it reduces pollution if less people use cars for short journeys
- having less cars around school makes it safer to cross roads.

Each day a member of staff will be at the Poplar Road South and Martin Way entrances from 8.45am to 8.55am to stamp the hands of children who have walked or cycled to school.

We are aware, of course, that it would be impractical for some families to walk to school as they live so far away. In order that all children can take part, we suggest that if it is not possible to walk for the whole journey that you either walk for the last part, or perhaps the children could walk a couple of laps around the playground when they arrive or at playtime.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Sarah Jowett
Deputy Headteacher