

Friday Flyer

3rd July 2009

Poplar Primary School

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Dear Parents,

The staff and governors would like to thank Elaine Emerton and the PTA committee who worked so hard organising our Summer Fair. We all had a wonderful time and I would also like to thank everyone who came and supported us, including the Deputy Mayor of Merton, who opened the event and was very impressed with everything that she saw. The fair made over **£6,600** profit for the school, which we will be adding to the money raised on the May Day March Day to purchase new equipment for our Performing Arts Project. A big thank you to everyone. It was a real community event and one that made me very proud and honoured to be head of Poplar.

Next Week's Events

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| Tuesday 7 th July | - | New Parent Talk at 9.00am and 2pm |
| Thursday 9 th July | - | Coffee morning with toddlers – new hall 9-10.30am |
| Friday 10 th July | - | Sports Day for children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) at 2pm |
| Advance Notice | | |
| Monday 13 th July | - | Sports Day for Nursery (am) and Red Class 9.30am |
| Monday 13 th July | - | Sports Day for Nursery (pm) and Orange Class – 2pm |
| Monday 13 th July | - | India Day – children in Year 3 |
| Monday 13 th July | - | Year 6 Production – “Romeo and Juliet” performances at 9.30am and 6.30pm |
| Tuesday 14 th July | - | Sports Day for children in Key Stage 1 (Yrs 1-2) at 2pm |
| Wednesday 15 th July | - | Year 6 visit to Science Museum |
| Thursday 16 th July | - | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am - (old hall) and after school party for children from 6.30pm-8.00pm |
| Friday 17 th July | - | Last day of term for whole school and nursery |

PTA Thank You

The PTA would like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved in this year's Summer Fair, especially John Kennedy for compering the event so professionally, to the fantastic street dance performers, the marvellous Choi Kwang Do demonstration team and all the children who took part in the fancy dress competition. Thank you also to all the class reps, parents, other family members, staff and governors who contributed their time and special thanks to all the volunteers who arrived so early on Saturday to help set up! Thank you also to those who contributed delicious food and to the local businesses who gave some great donations for the school raffle. The list of raffle winners has been put up around the school. It was a lovely day, enjoyed by the whole school community and every child in the school will benefit from the funds that you have raised.

Sports Day

Please remember to bring your child's **complete** PE kit into school next week for the sports days – we simply do not have enough spares! We are hoping for a dry week, but would like to remind you that the events will be subject to cancellation if the rain is heavy and persistent!

Library Closure

Our library will be closed as from Monday 6th July so that we can start preparing to move it. This is because the library will be used as a temporary classroom during the new building works. Please can all library books be returned to school next week. We will leave a box in the foyer for the books to be collected in. Thank you.

School Photographs

Can we please remind you that if you wish to purchase your child's class photos they must be returned to the school office with payment by no later than **Monday 6th July**. Any photos received after this date will have to pay an extra £3.50 late return fee!

Race For Life

Well done to our **Foundation Stage Team**, Judy Martin, Ana Sa, Debbie Corfield, Jo Reynolds, Briony Page, Liz Lacey and Stacey Livermore who all took part in the Race for Life at Richmond. They all ran/walked to raise money for Cancer Research. Miss Livermore completed her 5km run in 23 minutes! Finally, on the back of this flyer you will see a Swine Flu Information update.

Best wishes for the weekend.

Katharine Davies

Mrs K R Davies
Headteacher

SWINE FLU INFORMATION update

This letter is to update you on the procedures and emergency contacts relating to **SWINE FLU**. As you will know cases of Influenza A/H1N1v or “swine flu” have been reported in London schools now and the HPA (Health Protection Agency) current advice is that schools do NOT close.

There have been no confirmed cases of “swine flu” at Poplar Primary but a member of the school community has been identified as having “flu-like” symptoms and is staying at home.

If your child does become unwell and has a fever ($\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$) and flu like symptoms (cough, sore throat, runny nose, limb/joint pain or headache) please contact your GP for advice. If your child is currently unwell with these symptoms and you have not already contacted your GP, it would be important to do so, to discuss if any treatment is needed.

It is very important that your child stays at home if they have flu like symptoms. Your child should not attend school and not mix with others outside the home whilst they are unwell. Household and other contacts without flu-like symptoms can carry on as usual. Please note if you need to report a child’s absence through illness please state clearly your child’s symptoms.

If your child has already had symptoms of flu but is now well, there is no need to take any action for you or your family.

General infection control practices and good respiratory hand hygiene can help to reduce transmission of all viruses, including the human swine influenza. This includes:

- Covering your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, using a tissue when possible.
- Disposing of dirty tissues promptly and carefully
- Maintaining good basic hygiene, for example washing hands frequently with soap and water to reduce the spread of the virus from your hands to face or to other people
- Cleaning hard surfaced (e.g. door handles) frequently using a normal cleaning product
- Making sure your children follow this advice

If you would like further advice please contact NHS Direct on 0845 4647, the Swine Flu Information Line 0800 151 3513 or visit the Health Protection Agency website <http://www.hpa.org.uk>.