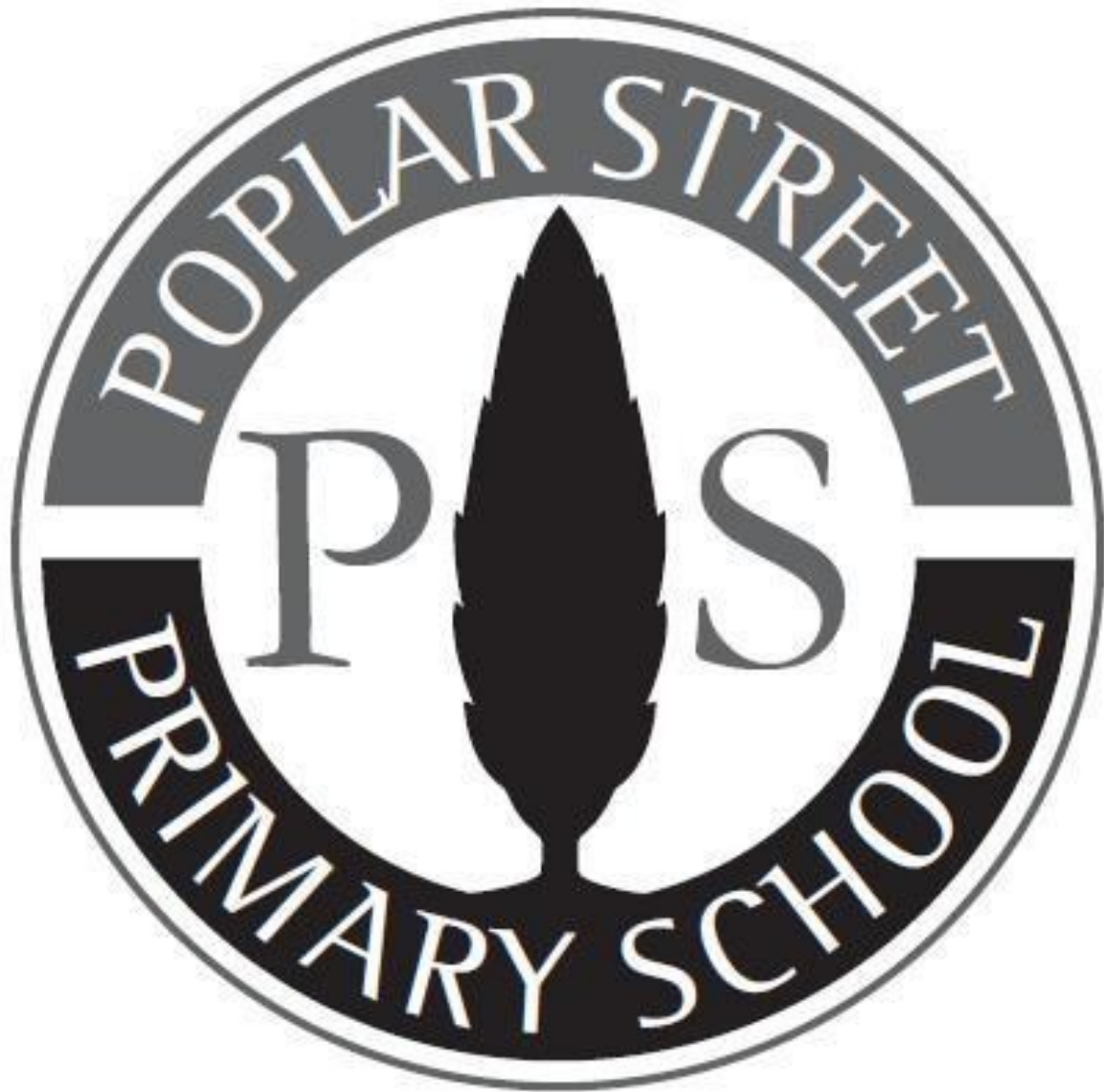


# Poppy Post



Foundation Stage

*'Working together-aiming high.'*

Welcome to this terms newsletter.

Dear Parents/Carers

May we remind you of the session times and ask you to be prompt at both drop off and pick up times.

Nursery am session - 8.45am - 11.45am

Nursery pm session - 12.15pm - 3.00pm

Nursery full time - 8.45am - 3.00pm

Reception 8.45am - 3.00pm

### Successes in the Spring Term

Simon (drama company) continuing to share stories, songs and drama with the children.

We have been planting seeds outdoors and the children planted their individual cress seeds which they took home and continued to look after. We have talked about the changes we can see in our outdoor environment and the children have enjoyed watering the plants.

Bug hunts - The children have been hunting for mini beasts and we have discussed how we must look after nature. We went on our very own mini beast hunt and found different species of bugs.

Lifecycle of a butterfly - The children were fascinated as they saw how the caterpillars turned into a chrysalis.

### Reading & Book Bags:



The children will be bringing home a book to read for pleasure and this will be changed every Friday. Reading books will be changed on Thursday's.

Reading is very important, please read every day with your child at home to support teaching and learning in school.

### Home work in Reception:

The children share their home learning every Monday and this promotes confidence in both speaking and listening skills as well as consolidating what they have learnt in school.

Children really enjoy their special time stood at the front of the group sharing their experiences. Please continue to upload to dojo.



## Future Events

- Geography Day **Friday 13th May**
- Sports Day for Nursery is **Thursday 19th May** and for Reception is **Friday 20th May**
- Children finish for half term on **Friday 27th May** and return to school on **Monday 13th June**
- Summer holiday on **Tuesday 26th July**.
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## Read Write Inc

Daily phonics lessons continue in Reception.

Nursery children who are starting Reception in September have now started the RWI phonics sounds.



The children who are staying in nursery in September will be continuing with Phase One phonics.

There are lots of resources to support our Letters and Sounds teaching on the internet.

**PE (Nursery only)** PE takes place every Wednesday and your child should come to school in their school uniform.

**PE (Reception only)** PE takes place every Friday and your child should come to school in their PE kit which consists of a white t-shirt, blue/black shorts or joggers and trainers. (No football kits)

*All children must have their earrings removed on their PE day. Please note that staff are not permitted to remove children's earrings for health and safety reasons.*

## *Summer term themes—*

### *Nursery and Reception theme is 'Under the Sea'.*

*Nursery—We will begin with the text 'The Crocodile who didn't like water'. We are also learning interesting facts about reptiles and animals.*

*Reception—We will begin with the text 'Dinosaurs love underpants'. We are also learning historical facts about dinosaurs. We will be reading a non-fiction dinosaur text. We will also be reading 'Rainbow fish.'*

*Both year groups will be having an animal handling experience this term, more information will follow soon. (Please can you contribute to the payment if you haven't already done so thank you.)*

## **Eco Council**

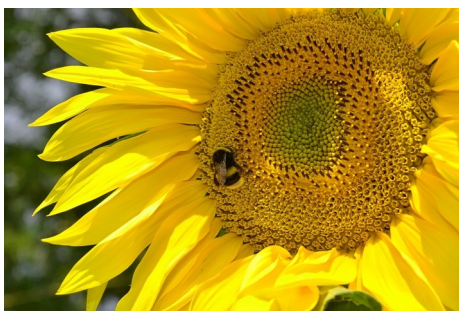
Each class have selected children to be part of the Eco Council. Each week two children from each class will be selected to be our 'Eco Heroes'. They will have roles and responsibilities to ensure our school is an eco-friendly environment.

**Here are a couple of challenges that you can take part in at home -**

Can you plant a flower or a plant at home?

Sunflower challenge—can you plant a sunflower for the bees?

We would love to see updates and you can post pictures on your child's portfolio.



## Fund Money:

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our fund so far this year. The money collected has paid for enhancements to topics and celebratory snacks..

Fund can still be paid online through Parent Pay.

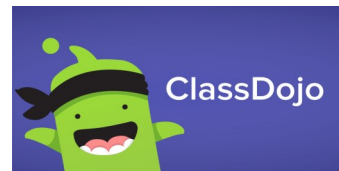
It may not be possible for similar activities to continue if we do not receive sufficient voluntary contributions.

## Outdoor learning

Could we remind all parents that children are allowed access to outside play every single day regardless of the weather. Please ensure they have suitable coats, gloves, scarves, hats etc. We have a limited stock of wellington boots and waterproofs which the children have to wear in particularly wet weather. If the weather is hot please ensure you put sun cream on your child and send them with a hat. (water bottles are allowed in Reception)

## ClassDojo

We use ClassDojo to communicate messages. Please continue to upload any photos and comments about activities at home. We love reading about your children's successes and achievements.



Please ensure that all clothing, lunch bags and PE kits are clearly labelled as we have lots of cardigans and jumpers with no names on.



We hope you have found our newsletter helpful and informative. If you have any other questions/queries, please ask any member of staff who will be happy to help.

Kind regards

Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Kearns, Miss Ola, Miss Doyle, Miss Lewis, Miss Qureshi.