

Poplar News (13.09.19)



Welcome back after the summer break and thank you for your lovely warm welcome. We have agreed on some fantastic classroom rules and established the necessary routines required to create a safe and supportive learning environment. This week the children had their first swimming lessons at Downham Market. We have also started to learn about our topic this term, 'Stone Age to the Iron Age', through creating timelines.

Our English focus this week has been learning our new Talk for Writing story - The Magic Brush - which is a transformation story based in China. The children have learnt the story through oral retelling. In addition, the children have also created some art work based on Chinese calligraphy. In maths, the children began the week by counting in hundreds, tens and ones, using concrete and pictorial representations.

I have provided some reminders below that I feel will be useful ahead of next week and beyond:

- Swimming - Our second swimming lesson is at Downham Market on Monday (16.9.19).
- Please be aware that all children must have a swimming hat.
- Sports - We are timetabled for PE on a Thursday afternoon. Please can children bring in PE kit on a Monday and take them home on a Friday.
- Book fair - 19th-24th September
- Parent consultations - 15th, 16th October
- Family Café- 31st October

Please ensure that children continue to read daily and that they use their reading journals to record their out of school reading. We will be listening to all the children read to ensure that their books are pitched at the right level. Additionally, please help children practise their spellings regularly as spelling tests will be on a Monday.

Attached is a letter regarding flu immunisations, parents need to access the link (<https://tinyurl.com/y3t2tgca>) to accept or decline their child's flu immunisation. Any issues are to be directed to the phone number on the bottom of the letter.

Miss Scott, Mrs Batterham and all in Poplar Class.

