

NEWSLETTER Friday 29th November 2024

Dear families,

A lovely week where the school's 159th birthday this weekend has enabled us to consider who we are, why we do what we do and what we can or cannot provide in our next few years as a school.

First and foremost, we are here to support the children's aspirations. This was crystalised with the year 6 visit to Clifford Chance where the children were able to enjoy a work mentoring fair. Although young still they will be the leaders of tomorrow and we want to make sure they are supported to imagine, dream and work towards a multitude of futures. This does come with fun and so I know that some families will be able to attend the CC screening of Paddington goes to Peru this weekend. Thank you once more to Clifford Chance.

With futures in mind, the children have also begun their art projects with Bow Arts and Sara Heywood, the theme this year being collaboration because that is the key skill all children need.

*Wishing you a safe and warm weekend,*

*Mrs Smith  
& Mr Hall*



## DIARY DATES

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Ice skating at Canary Wharf

4<sup>th</sup> Panto in school

5<sup>th</sup> iRock concert

9<sup>th</sup> EYFS nativity at 10:30am

11<sup>th</sup> Year 1 & 2 nativity at 2pm

12<sup>th</sup> Christmas jumper & Christmas lunch day

13<sup>th</sup> Celebration at Clifford Chance, years 1-6

16<sup>th</sup> Year 3 & 4 nativity at 2pm

17<sup>th</sup> Y5 & 6 Christmas performance at 2pm

18<sup>th</sup> Reindeers 11-4pm & in school fun of the fair

19<sup>th</sup> Christingle Service at 2pm (last day for after school provision)

20<sup>th</sup> class parties and in school disco – school finishes at 1:30 (all children)

Jesus said "I have come so that you can live life in all its' fullness" John 10:10

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception	Khadia	Liyani
Year One	Ollie-Archie	Jackson Ameerah
Year Two	Henry	
Year Three	Mark	Dolly
Year Four	Sophia	Frankey
Year Five	Somachi	Parker
Year Six	Adeola	Zaynab



## WORSHIP FOCUS

God,  
grant me the  
**Serenity**  
to accept the things  
I cannot change,  
**Courage**  
to change the things  
I can and  
**Wisdom**  
to know the difference



*Our stars*



*Kindness leaves*

 *Happy Birthday to you...* 

Zayan	Elizabeth
Grace	Dolly
Azaria	Everleigh-Mae
Jacob	Abigail
Adeola	Gavin
Aaliyah	Mia
Jason	Beau
Soele	Joe
Henry	Benjamin
Ahsan	Roman
George	Frankey

## SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD

### School's Birthday Celebration



This was our 150th, a modern school with Victorian roots. We have been singing happy birthday by Stevie Wonder along with Children Children by Macka.B, Sha La La by our own Mr Ward, and Bleak Midwinter whilst eating cake this lunchtime. There was even some dancing and a suggestion of a lunchtime disco... watch this space for more fun!

Education was the entitlement of the few, yet has never been as important as it is now in the post world war era for children to learn, be ready, not be left behind in any way. In the old log books dating back top 1865, some of the reasons for people not attending was because the children had to wait to share a pair of shoes, or they had childhood diseases that use to kill that we have vaccines for now.

Being a school that caters and organises for as much as we can provide for our children's aspirations we are pleased to start our challenging 11+ prep with our year 5 pupils from next week. If your child is in year 5 or 4 and you would like to investigate this do let us know.

The school was built at the same time as Alice in Wonderland went to print. The magic continues as does the exploration of personal growth and childhood challenges that accompany this, where logic may fail.  
Play, curiosity and creativity prevail.

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### Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

All the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors have been working hard finding the definition of bullying and how to deal with conflict. They have also been making presentations about bullying and what to do when you are getting bullied. They have been vigilant at play and lunch times, they are around for other children that need help with who may need to discuss a conflict and find potential solutions. They have special lanyards to show the other kids that they are ABA. All ABAs are in years 5 & 6 and display a great level of maturity, care and enthusiasm in supporting others. They even supported Mrs Smith in preparing for a presentation at a safeguarding conference!



**Thank you for Clifford Chance for the 25 tickets to see Paddington & the Year 6 trip. We look forward to the eco competition winners soon!**

On Wednesday Year 6 went on a trip to Clifford Chance at Canary Wharf, and they met a few lawyers that told them about their jobs. They were able to ask questions about what they do as a lawyer and how did they become one. They had a fun time listening to the lawyers talking about they experience and they journey from 6 to being a lawyer.



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# CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

**WE ARE GETTING SILLY  
FOR A GOOD CAUSE!**

**THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER**

**Wear your festive jumper at school, work or home  
and help us to give a Happy Christmas to the  
children.**



# All Saints Poplar Christmas Choir

**Welcoming singers aged 6-12!**



**Rehearsals**  
 Tuesday 3, 10, 17 December  
 (5pm younger kids, 6pm older kids)

**Carol Service**  
 Tuesday 17 December at 7pm

To register, email **choir@poplar.church**

# Premier's Festive

**Wraparound Schedule  
From 3pm**

<b>04 DECEMBER</b>	Gingerbread making
<b>09 DECEMBER</b>	Festive Baubles/Decoration Making
<b>12 DECEMBER</b>	Christmas Jumper Day
<b>13 DECEMBER</b>	Festive Cookie Making
<b>16/17 DECEMBER</b>	Festive Card Making
<b>19/20 DECEMBER</b>	Festive End of Term Party

More Info:  
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/>



# Messy Church

**Thursday, 12 December 4-6pm**  
 St Nicholas Church, Aberfeldy Street, E14 0PT

**A creative and fun time exploring Advent  
with crafts, a story and a meal together**

For further information, please contact Rev'd Matt Wall:  
**matt.wall@poplar.church**

