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SAVE THE DATE! our annual **SUMMER FAIR** will be held on **SATURDAY 5th JULY** from 12pm - 3pm.

Get ready to twist and shout as we turn back the clock for this year's grooviest event! In honour of Merton turning **60**, we have decided to celebrate with a fun-filled day of **60s-themed festivities**. With music, games, food, and plenty of flower power, it's set to be a far-out celebration the whole family will enjoy. So dig out your bell bottoms and tie-dye, and come party like it's 1969!

To help kick off the festivities, we are launching **our first silent auction of the Summer**. Further details below can be found below..

We are delighted to announce that once again, **The Friends of Hillcross Primary School PTA** and **Poplar Primary School PTA** are working together to promote a new event. This time, we are collaborating on Hillcross's first ever **COLOUR FUN RUN**. Saturday 10th May, 12pm - 3pm.

[Purchase Tickets HERE](#)

If you or your company offer any **sponsorship opportunities** that the PTA could engage with, please **[get in touch with us](#)**.

We would love to discuss these further with you!

PTA MEETING



25th April
2:00pm | Studio

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MARIA'S GARDEN

Maria Orsinova worked as a learning support assistant at Poplar Primary School for several years. She worked with children on a 1-1 basis and in small groups. She was an outstanding and creative practitioner with a particular skill for supporting children with sensory and communication needs.

Maria was a much-loved member of staff and also a Poplar parent. We sadly lost Maria in October 2023 after her long and courageous battle with leukaemia. Over the last few years, we have been working hard to raise money for a sensory garden in her memory. It is a space she would have loved to use with the children she supported.

As many of you will have already seen, work has begun on site, and we would like to complete the first planting stage before the end of the Summer term.

We will continue our fundraising and sponsorship efforts to support the development of the garden, however, we are also asking our Poplar community for help.

If you would like to get involved, we would appreciate **sponsorship of a plant** (or two), which will then be planted in the garden. Plants have been pre-selected for their beneficial qualities in a Sensory Garden setting, and most will be sourced from a local supplier. The remainder of the plants are being grown from seed or cuttings wherever possible, in order to save costs.

Ways to get involved:

Get Growing - we have a selection of seeds (mainly annuals) that we would ask any of you with green-fingers to grow. Please message Julia directly on 07742 402060 to arrange collection.

Sponsor a Plant - we have a list of preselected plants that are available for you to 'sponsor'. Prices range from £4.26 to £48 per plant. **Sign-up via the Google form**

If you would like to **get more involved** or would like further information about the Sensory Garden, please contact the PTA, at: **poplarprimarypta@gmail.com**



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Grow Your Own Garden Competition



Poplar Primary
School PTA

Enter by 25th April [here](#). Only £2.50

March - June: Plant and grow, June: Harvest
Win a Blue Diamond garden centre voucher!



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GROW YOUR OWN GARDEN ENTRY CLOSES TODAY!

The PTA Grow Your Own Garden Competition closes for entries **TODAY!**

Enter for just **£2.50** entry.

- **25th April:** Registration closes and sprouting begins
- **March to June:** Grow, grow, grow.
- **June:** It is time to harvest / photograph
- **July:** Competition closes and the winner will be announced before the summer fair.

The PTA have a choice of **FREE** seeds to get your garden growing!

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LEGO COMPETITION DEADLINE EXTENSION!

This years LEGO COMPETITION theme is 'Out Of This World'.

Competition Details

- **Theme:** This year the theme is Sci-Fi (think Star Wars, Star Trek, spaceships, etc).
- **Fee:** It is FREE to enter.
- **Dates:** Deadline for entries close on Friday 25th April.
- **Prize:** Star Wars themed costume

[CLICK HERE to enter](#)



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SILENT SUMMER AUCTION | 25 JUNE

To kick off the Summer festivities, we are launching our **Soultastic SILENT AUCTION**. Win 2 **TICKETS to SOULTASIA**

Enter by sending us your highest bid to **poplarprimarypta@gmail.com**

Closing date for bids is **25th June**.

EASY FUNDRAISING

Do you do your grocery shopping at Tesco, Sainsbury's, Morrisons, ASDA, Waitrose, Iceland, or Ocado?

If so, you can easily help raise regular donations for us! Just sign up to easyfundraising to become one of our supporters, then shop online at your fave supermarket. Your shopping will cost the same, but we'll receive a free weekly donation.

How great is that? Support us today:

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PTA BAKE SALE | 9 MAY

The PTA will be hosting the **Year 2 & Reception Bake Sale** on Friday 9th May at 3:15pm. It is a brilliant way to end the week and to show your support for the PTA, so, please come past, say hi and buy something yummy.

As we are trying to do our bit for the environment, please bring a container to take home your delicious treats.



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MAY



Second Hand Uniform Sale
3:15pm | PTA Room



Bake Sale | Y2 & Reception
3:15pm | PTA Room



Hillcross Colour Run
[Book Tickets Here](#)



PTA Meeting
[9:00am](#) | [Studio](#) | [Online](#)



100 Club Winner Announcement
12:00pm

JUNE



Second Hand Uniform Sale
3:15pm | PTA Room



Little Recyclers Collection
9:15m | PTA Room

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?



Volunteer your expertise,
creativity or time, and help
spread the word!

USEFUL LINKS TO EVENTS | ACTIVITIES | SHOPPING



PTA MEETING | 25 APRIL
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