



# NEWSLETTER

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## We hope you all had a brilliant half term..

What an incredible first half term it's been for our School and the PTA!

From our ever-popular **Uniform Sales** and **Clothing Collections** to the high-energy **Stand Up & Salsa evening**, the heart-warming **MacMillan Coffee Afternoon**, and the spectacular **Diwali Laser Light Show**, every event has brought our community together in the most wonderful way.

Thanks to the hard work of our fantastic PTA committee, our brilliant volunteers, and the amazing support from parents and families, we've already managed to raise over **£3,000** this term!

These events truly reflect the **diversity, inclusivity**, and **community spirit** that make our school so special – proving once again that when we come together, we can achieve great things for our children and their education.

We have some exciting, big-ticket projects we're hoping to fund for the school this year, and we'll continue working hard to raise the money needed – while also creating more opportunities for everyone to connect, celebrate, and share in the joy of our Poplar community.

## Save The Dates

- **7<sup>th</sup> November | Poplar Christmas Shop Open Today.** [Click here to order.](#)
- **21<sup>st</sup> November | Bake Sale.** Details below.
- **28<sup>th</sup> November | AGM Quiz Night.** [Tickets on sale now.](#)
- **12<sup>th</sup> December | Family Winter Fair.** Details to follow.



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# EVENTS NEWS

## DIWALI LASER SHOW & SILENT DISCO

On Friday, 17th October, we celebrated **Diwali** in spectacular style with a dazzling laser light show and silent disco that lit up the night.

The event drew a fantastic crowd, bringing together people from all walks of life for a true community celebration.



Alongside the lights and music, there was a brilliant Bollywood dance session that the children absolutely loved. Henna stalls were offering beautiful, long-lasting designs, and a sari stall that gave everyone a glimpse into the elegance and intricacy of traditional attire.

The atmosphere was electric, filled with laughter, colour, and connection.

A **huge thank you** goes out to all the incredible volunteers who made it possible – without their hard work and dedication, wonderful events like this simply wouldn't happen.



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# EVENTS THIS MONTH

## POPLAR CHRISTMAS SHOP IS OPEN!

We have our beautiful Norman Fir Christmas trees available in a range of sizes — **from 3ft to 8ft** — ready to bring festive cheer to your home.

✨ **New for 2025!** ✨

We're also excited to introduce our exclusive **Poplar Primary School Christmas Decoration** — a lovely keepsake to treasure for years to come.

📺 **Order Details** 📺

- Order by: Midnight on Thursday, November 20th, 2025
- Collection: Saturday, November 29th, 2025 from Poplar Primary School

[CLICK HERE TO ORDER TODAY](#)

Thinking of a real Christmas tree this year?

## POPLAR CHRISTMAS TREE SHOP

SUPPORT POPLAR PRIMARY PTA AND SAVE MONEY!

### CHRISTMAS TREES

Our trees are Nordmann Firs, well-known for gorgeous green boughs and excellent needle retention.



SIZE	PRICE
100-125cm (3-4 ft)	£32.00
125-150cm (4-5 ft)	£35.00
150-175cm (5-6 ft)	£41.00
175-200cm (6-7 ft)	£48.00
200-250cm (7-8 ft)	£59.00

More information  
and order at  
[bit.ly/PoplarXmasShop25](https://bit.ly/PoplarXmasShop25)

Order by midnight 20th November for collection from  
Poplar Primary School, Poplar Road South, on Saturday  
29th November.

Delivery also available



FRIDAY 21ST NOV

## PTA BAKE SALE

COME AND PICK UP A  
FRIDAY TREAT!

TASTY BAKES AND HEALTHY TREATS

CASH &  
CARDS  
ACCEPTED

After school  
Outside main hall

## BAKE SALE | 21 NOV

The PTA will be hosting our first bake sale of the year on **Friday 21st November** 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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## AGM QUIZ NIGHT

Think you've got what it takes to be crowned Poplar Quiz Champion? Come and test your knowledge against Mr Slack, our brand new Quiz Master!

### 🌟 Event Schedule 🌟

**Where:** Poplar Primary Main Hall

**When:** Friday **28th November 2025**

**Doors open:** 6:30 pm

**AGM:** 7:00 pm (All welcome!)

**Quiz starts:** 7:30 pm sharp

### 📖 Order Details 📖

- **£10** per person – includes entry + one complimentary drink
- **Pre-order charcuterie boxes** (meat or vegetarian | gluten-free options)

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK TODAY](#)

Think you've got what it takes to be crowned the ultimate Poplar Quiz Champion?

**£10 TICKETS**  
Incl welcome drink

**FRIDAY 28 NOV**

**DOORS OPEN 6:30PM**  
AGM Starts 7:00pm  
Quiz starts 7:30pm

PRE-ORDER DRINKS      PRE-ORDER FOOD

Poplar Primary School Hall

**MORE INFORMATION**  
[BOOK TICKETS HERE](#)



## WINTER FAIR 2025

Friday 12th December | Poplar Primary School

Join us for 🎅 a small but Sparkling Winter Celebration, a magical afternoon of festive fun and community cheer!

Wrap up warm and come along to enjoy:

🥧 Minced Pies & Mulled Wine

🎁 Elfridges & Gift Stalls

🎵 Festive Music & Cheer



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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## 28 NOVEMBER 2025

You are warmly invited to the Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Poplar Primary School (PTA) on Friday, 28th November 2025 at 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm), followed by our annual Quiz Night – food, drinks & fabulous company guaranteed!

All parents and carers of Poplar children are automatically members of the PTA. The PTA plays a vital role in supporting the school community, and your involvement makes a real difference.

**Why Attend?** The AGM is your opportunity to **ask questions** and **share your ideas**, meet the current PTA team, learn how your donations and fundraising efforts have supported the school and **vote** for the new and existing PTA Committee Members for the coming year. As our PTA is a registered charity, committee members automatically become trustees of the charity.

This year, the Officers would like to stand for re-election to their roles, subject to receiving the required votes. New committee members are always welcome.

If you would like to **stand for election** to any of the **2025–2026 Officer** roles or committee, please email [poplarprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:poplarprimarypta@gmail.com) as soon as possible, and by **Wednesday 26th November** latest, with the following information:

- Your name
- Child's name and class
- The post you wish to stand for (Chair/ Secretary/Treasurer/ Ordinary Committee Member)
- Names of two people who nominate you (proposer and seconder) – if possible, otherwise the Committee can help with this

Existing committee members wishing to stand for re-election do not have to be nominated again but should inform the PTA Officers of their intention to stay in their role. Positions available for election or re-election are (2025–2026):

- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Co-Secretary
- Sustainability Lead
- Grants & Sponsorship Lead
- Social Media & PR Lead
- Events Lead

Come along, get involved, and enjoy a fun evening of community, food, and quizzes!



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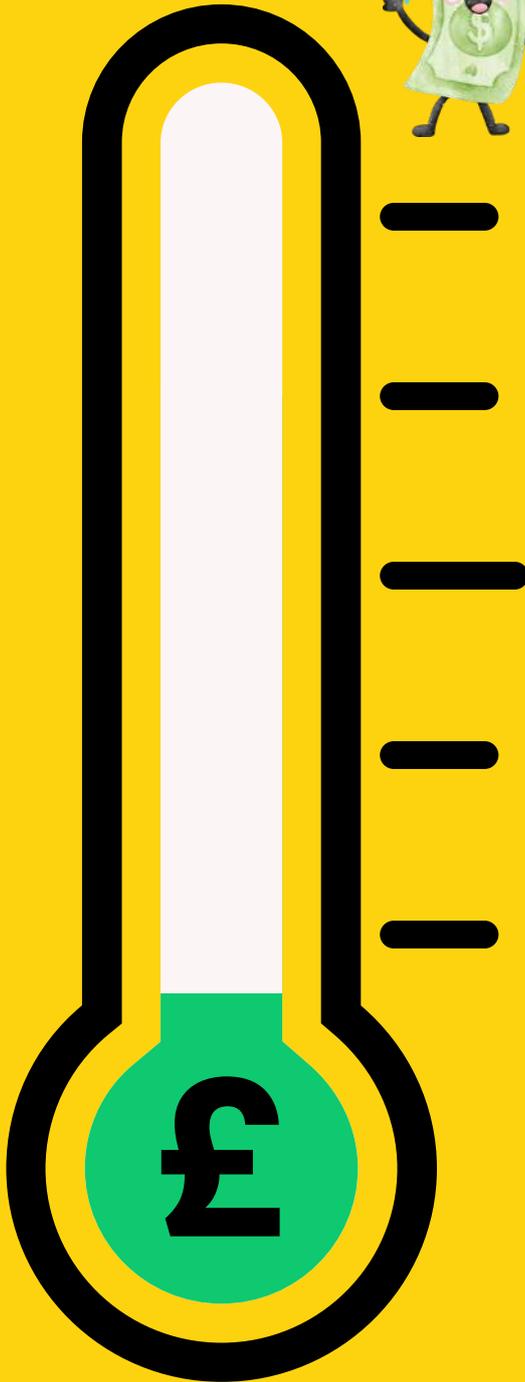
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# FUNDRAISING UPDATE

£25K



**KEEP TRACK OF HOW  
MUCH OUR EVENTS  
AND FUNDRAISING  
EFFORTS HAVE RAISED  
THANKS TO YOU!**

**WE HAVE A TARGET OF  
£25K FOR THE YEAR.**



**DIWALI**

**£1632**



**STAND UP & SALSA**

**£794**



**UNIFORM SALES**

**£659**



**LITTLE RECYCLERS**

**£114**



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**26 SEPT**  
**MARIA'S GARDEN**  
**2:30PM**



**26 SEPT**  
**SCHOOL HALL**  
**7:30PM**



**17 OCT**  
**POPLAR PRIMARY**  
**5:00PM**



**7 NOV**  
**Y1 - Y6 DISCO**  
**AFTER SCHOOL**



**21 NOV**  
**BAKE SALE**  
**3:15PM**



**28 NOV**  
**AGM | QUIZ NIGHT**  
**7:30PM**



**12 DEC**  
**WINTER FESTIVITIES**



**16 JAN**  
**KIDS MOVIE NIGHT**  
**AFTER SCHOOL**



**13 FEB**  
**BAKE SALE**  
**3:15PM**



**27 FEB**  
**RECEPTION DISCO**  
**3:15PM**



**10 MAR**  
**GROW YOUR OWN GARDEN**



**13 MAR**  
**MOVIE NIGHT**  
**\*ADULTS ONLY\***  
**7:30PM**



**9 MAY**  
**BAKE SALE**  
**3:15PM**



**16 | 23 MAY**  
**PARTY IN THE PARK**



**4 JUL**  
**SUMMER FAIR**  
**12:00PM**



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AT ONE OF  
OUR EVENTS**