



Newsletter – No. 36 24th June 2022

Message from Mrs. Mole

This has been a great week of celebrations! It started last weekend with Village day. It was a wonderful occasion, where I think that we had the largest turnout of children for the parade and the dance. Apparently, the judges really liked our eco theme, our chant of 'plant a tree for the Jubilee' and our general enthusiasm. Badger class wowed the audience with their dances through the decades, from the 1950s to the present day. In the middle of the week Mrs. Bryan had her final assessment visit from her tutor. As you can imagine, she was brilliant and the tutor was glowing in her praise for Mrs Bryan and recommended that she should be awarded Qualified Teacher Status. This recommendation now goes via the moderators but I have no doubt that they will agree with the tutor! We have also started to celebrate Badger class being ready to move on, with their presentation of gifts to the school. They have been incredibly generous and donated the palatial bird house, (pictured here) inscribed with the names of all the Badger children, as well as two pear trees, two Victoria plum trees, a cherry tree and two blueberry bushes. All of these are now in situ in the orchard, pond area or allotment. All of them are ready for Open Gardens on Sunday and for the school fair on 11th July.



I hope to see lots of you this Sunday at the Open Gardens (10am—5pm)

Rebecca Mole, Headteacher

Star of Week

Well done to all the winners this week.

Rabbits: Annabel for creative ideas and making skills.

Squirrels: Addison for working hard on her recount on her journey through the Amazon.

Badgers: Emma for super singing at the Yehudi Menuhin singing picnic.

Values Star of the week: .

Rabbits: Archer for creativity and curiosity.

Valentina for being caring and kind and a fantastic friend.

Squirrels: Anya for showing curiosity and asking questions about the rainforest.

Badgers: Sofia for being particularly caring towards the younger children,



Gardens in Bloom!

We're throwing open the school grounds for Bookham's annual Open Gardens Day on Sunday 26th June. It's a great opportunity to showcase our school to the local community and enjoy our lovely grounds. The gardening club has been brilliant at tidying up some of the beds and we have had some amazing parents into smarten things up even more.

We are still recruiting for help on the day. We would love it if you and your child could spare between 30 minutes and 1 hour to show visitors round our beautiful grounds. Ms Mole will be here all day so do please come along if you are able.

PLIS Go To Bookham Village Day! - Saturday 18th June



Book Recommendation of the Week from Mrs Leggatt

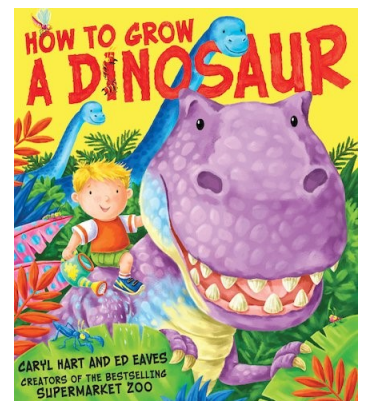
How to grow a dinosaur by Caryl Hart

I love gardening, but Albie in the story isn't very keen on it.

However, the seeds that he plants are magical and he gets a big surprise. They grow a Jurassic forest complete with scary dinosaurs and jelly bean trees!

I love the way that the author has used her imagination for this story. How to grow a dinosaur by Caryl Hart

If you could plant some magical seeds, what would you like them to grow into?



Message From The Friends

Polesden Lacey Infant School 50th Anniversary Summer Fair - Sunday 10th July

16....15.....14.... we are counting the days until we come together to celebrate 50 years of our lovely school at our Summer Fair!

The Fair will open at 11.30am and close at 3pm on Sunday 10th July.

Sunshine has been ordered, we will have food and drinks, ice creams and cakes, inflatables, lots of games and tombolas, displays and activities, craft and more! Bring the whole family, have lunch, enjoy a drink at the bar and play some of our fun games.

A small team of parents are working very hard to plan and prepare an exciting event but we cannot do it without you, too!

Volunteers

Please support us by signing up to help for a slot or two. Most slots are an hour long, to give you plenty of time to enjoy the fair, and there are some that can be filled by siblings who are in Year 6 and above. Every slot filled will help us deliver a wonderful community event and keep raising funds for the outdoor classroom, which we hope to officially open at the Fair!

You can sign up here: volunteersignup.org/AKYHF

Donations

Bottles: On **Friday 8th July** we will be holding a mufti day when we invite the children to come to school in their own clothes and, in exchange, ask you for the donation of a bottle for a tombola. It can be any bottle, of any type or size. For example, wine, fizz, spirits, beer, bath oil, olive oil, shower gel - anything unopened that you have to hand. There will be a donation point for bottles available during the week from Monday 4th July in case you prefer to drop your contribution off before Friday 8th.

Jolly Jars: We will also be inviting children to upcycle items by decorating a glass jam jar (or similar) and filling it with small unused items you might have left over from party bags, stationery stores or just hanging around in that craft or gift drawer..... This could be small stationery items, stickers, craft items, small bouncy balls, wrapped sweets, small packets of seeds, small bubbles etc etc There will be a prize for the best decorated jolly jar in each class and all jars will be available to win on the Jolly Jar Tombola at the Fair. If you don't have a clean jar to hand we will have some available for you to collect outside the school office next week. Please hold on to your jars until the week before the fair, when we will let you know where to drop them off.

Toys: Finally - we would appreciate donations of the following at any time if you happen to be having a clear out at home. Please drop them off to the large plastic box outside the office between now and Friday 8th July:

- pre-loved soft toys
- pre-loved toys and games

If you have any questions please email plisfriends@gmail.com

Thank you! We very much appreciate your support in what is a particularly busy term.

The Friends of Polesden Lacey Infant School

Forest School Clothes

During the hot weather please send your child in with thin clothing to cover the skin and protect them from insect bites and nettles etc. eg. Leggings, thin trousers and a long sleeve thin top. The waterproof trousers that we usually use make the children sweat in the heat and become quite uncomfortable for them to wear.

Sports Day

As you are aware Sports Day is scheduled to take place during the morning of Wednesday 6th July. The children in each class will be divided into groups of 5 or 6 children and the groups will rotate around 5 different activities. We plan to finish each session with three races on the running track that will be marked on the grass in the orchard.

Each pupil can have up to 2 adults supporting them and these adults will follow the children round as they take part in the variety of sporting activities. Younger siblings can join you, however, they do remain your responsibility and must remain with you at all times. Tickets will not be issued and we do not need to know in advance if you can make it. Please just come along on the day.

The timings for the day will be as follows:

Rabbits – 9.15am to 10.15am

Squirrels and Badgers - 10.30am to 12pm

Please keep your fingers crossed for warm dry weather so the event can take place as planned.

Parking

Please can we remind you all to be considerate when parking for drop off and pick up. We know that the road is very busy at the moment due to building works in the area but it has been brought to our attention that parking is once again becoming a problem. Please do not double park or block residents driveways as vehicles need to be able to get out at all times. If there isn't room down Howard Road please consider parking on one of the roads in the surrounding area and walking to the school.

Fairtrade

Z is for Zaytoun Palestinian Recipes

Zaytoun was founded in 2004 to support the resilience and livelihoods of Palestinian farmers through fairly trading their olive oil.

They have grown throughout the years and now offer a wide range of Palestinian artisan foods and supported Palestinian farmers to pioneer the world's first Fairtrade certified olive oil in 2009, sold through the UK market.

Their products which includes olive oil, freekeh, maftoul, medjool dates and almonds can all be used to create delicious plates of food that have a true taste of Palestine.



Sponsored Bounce

Thank you to all the Tiggers we have at Polesden Lacey Infants, for bouncing so well at yesterday's sponsored event! They had such fun and there were some incredible jumping achievements!

The winners, with the most bounces, in each class were:

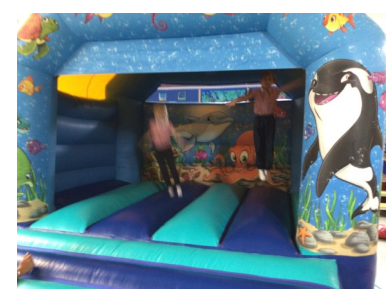
Rabbits: Jonny, James and Heidi

Squirrels: Kai, Florence and Jacob

Badgers: Henry P, Miles and Aaron

If you'd like to sponsor your child but haven't had a chance yet there's still time! The sponsorship link is open until Sunday 26th June : [Online Sponsorship Form - 2022](#)

Thank you very much, also, to those parents who organised the bounce and came in to adjudicate!



Friends Events 2022

Friday 8th July - Summer Fair Mufti Day

Sunday 10th July - Polesden Lacey Infant School 50th Anniversary Summer Fayre

18th and 19th July - Movie nights for all classes with popcorn, straight after school

The Friends of Polesden Lacey Infant School

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Dates

Summer Term 2022

Sunday 26th June - Bookham Open Gardens (see email from the Office)

Thurs 30th June - Squirrel Class Assembly (am)

Friday 1st July—Recycling mufti-day

Wed 6th July - Sports Day (Reception 9.15—10.15, Year 1 & 2, 10.30—12midday)

Wed 13th July - Open Afternoon (2.30pm onwards)

Fri 15th July - School Reports home to parents

Wed 20th July - Year 2 Leavers Assembly (am) (more details to follow)

Fri 22nd July—last day of term school closes 1pm