



Newsletter – No. 1 8th September 2023

Message from Mrs. Mole

Welcome back to Polesden Lacey Infant School on these beautiful sunny days. It was lovely seeing everyone in Squirrel and Badger classes coming back into school on Tuesday and we can't wait to see the Rabbit children who will start next week. The children seem to have settled beautifully and there is a lovely calm, happy and highly productive atmosphere in the school. Both the children and the staff have been amazing at dealing with the sudden change in temperature. Below are a few pictures we took this week of the children in their classrooms and on the playground. (Lots of water being drunk and hats being worn!)



Have a lovely weekend.

Rebecca Mole

Headteacher

Photo permission forms

A huge thankyou to all those who have returned their updated photo permission form. (The biggest well done is to the new Rabbit Class who are nearly at 100%!) For those who have not returned their form please do so this week. Mrs. Cummings will be emailing you to remind you individually and no one wants to be getting a reminder email from Mrs. Cummings!

Star of Week

Well done to all the winners this week.

Squirrels: The whole class for settling in so well to squirrels.

Badgers: Heidi for her excellent contribution in maths discussions.

Values Star of the week: .

Squirrels: Edward for being a caring friend and celebrating the achievements of others.

Badgers: Emily for being caring and courageous and speaking up when she saw some behaviour that she thought was wrong

Forest School and PE

Miss. Aylett has started Forest School sessions with the children in Year 1 and Year 2. PE sessions have also started. Please can you make sure that your child has their Forest School and PE kit in school.

Whilst the weather is so warm, the children will not be using their waterproofs. If your child has some lightweight leggings and a lightweight long sleeve t-shirt that would be great to use. It protects them from any insects in the woodlands that think they look tasty.

Remember to ensure that everything is clearly named - it is easier for us to help reunite your child with their things if they are named rather than relying on the children to say, 'I know it is mine because it smells like mine!'



Sport4kids

We are delighted that our new before and afterschool wrap around care is up and running. Coach Simone and Coach Kai have already made an impression on the children who have been to breakfast or afterschool club.

Remember that if you would like to book your child onto a session, you can use the booking link on their website by clicking this link: <https://sport4kids.biz/book-a-club-school/> and selecting the sessions that you want. Alternatively, if you are unable to book this way you can give them a call on 0300 303 3866 and someone will be able to help you.



Parking

If you have to drive your child to school, please can you remember to park considerately. We work hard to maintain a positive relationship with our neighbours and it can be incredibly frustrating if cars are blocking drive ways or parked in a way that makes it difficult to maneuver up and down Howard Road. We did receive a complaint in the summer because a resident was unable to leave their drive way due to the way a car had been parked and due to concerns for the safety of the children and adults walking to and from school. The local community police officer does carry out adhoc patrols down Howard Road to monitor the parking, although as we say to the children we shouldn't behave in a certain way because we are worried about being caught but we should do what we know is the right thing.

Also remember that walking, buses, scooting and biking are great ways to get to and from school. Great for your health and better for the environment.



Second Hand Uniform Sale

The Friends will be holding another Second Hand Uniform sale after school on Friday 15th September. If you have any good condition school uniform that you no longer need please place it inside the red bin at the front of the school and the Friends will collect it.

Clubs - Year 1 & 2 only

Year 1 and Year 2 parents and carers, please look out for an email next week with information about upcoming clubs. All the information you need to sign up for the clubs will be contained in the email including the link to the online booking form. The booking form for Judo is already live (please see email from the office with the flyer attached.)

E-Safety Tip

Talk Time

One of the strongest messages that we get from online safety training is the importance of talking with the children about what they are doing and seeing online. This means that, if they experience something unpleasant online they will tell you about it and then you can help them. One of the games that they may mention is one called 'Skibidi Toilet'. The game doesn't seem to have a PEGI rating yet but there is a lot of shooting with guns and heads coming in and out of toilets and therefore not suitable for Infant School aged children.

Judo

Photos from the Judo demonstration that the children really enjoyed. Please see below for details of who to contact if your child would like to give it a try.



Proud Tiger Judo

Judo Lessons at Polesden Lacey infant school on Friday mornings from 07:50-08:30 am.
Learn throws & holds in a safe and enjoyable space.

For more information or to reserve a space; Please contact Peter Gould on 07846 151 564 or peter25jan@hotmail.com

We look forward to seeing you on the mats!



Dates

Autumn Term 2023

11th September Reception Class start (staggered start across the week)

15th September Reception Class go full time

15th September Second Hand Uniform Sale

19th September 2.30pm Meet the Year 2 teacher for Parents and carers of children in Year 2

20th September 2.30pm Meet the Year 1 teachers for Parents and carers of children in Year 1

29th September Flu Immunisation's for all classes (Parents must sign up for this online—more details to follow)

9th October 7pm Reception Curriculum Evening

Half Term; 23rd October —27th October 2023

1st November 2.30pm—3pm Open Afternoon Year 1 & 2, Stay & Play for Reception

Last day of Term; Friday 15th December 2023 school closes at 1pm