Newsletter – No. 12 27th November 2020

Message From Ms. Mole.

I have been inspired by Rabbit class this week and all the different ways that they have been writing. The staff have been so creative in thinking of the different ways that they can engage the children for different purposes and using different writing instruments. Below you can see some photos of what they are getting up to. You may be inspired to try some ideas out at home and coming up to Christmas there are so many opportunities for you to model writing and for your children to write for a purpose.

Some of things the children have used to write with are: feathers, chalk, felt pens, white board markers, interactive board markers, pencils, paint and water. As you can see from the pictures we write on virtually any surface, anywhere and we draw, practice letters (remembering to form the letters correctly as shown on the bookmarks the children have in Rabbits and on the website), write names, labels and wonderful stories. At home lists to Father Christmas, cards to

friends and family and notes to people in the house are often fun to do and can be even more exciting when written using a feather and some paint or ink!





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Rebecca Mole - Headteacher

Star of WeekWell done to all the winners this week.Rabbits: Annabelle for always trying her best and being a caring friend.Squirrels: Erin for being a resilient learner in Math's and English.Badgers: Charlie for always demonstrating the school values.Forest School: Poppy K for her super efforts to lead her team.

Values Leaves: Fair, Resilient, Respectful, Caring, Courageous and Curious.

Below are some of this week's leaves:

Ella was very caring and was a superstar helping to look after her younger sister.

Ava was being really caring and helped Isobel at Lunchtime.

Henry P was very thoughtful and caring towards Isobel in class.

Isobel has been really resilient at lunchtime, not giving up when she finds things challenging.

Dana was very courageous when she went to the dentist.

Mael is very helpful and kind and curious when he prepares his sisters milk every evening.

Sierra was very courageous after she fell off her bike. She got straight back on and continued cycling.

Leo was fair when he let Dana have the last pumpkin lollypop.

Ethan was caring when he helped his little brother down a steep hill then showed him how to balance.

Rocco was very helpful when he helped his Mum polish his shoes.

NB. Based on feedback that we have received we will only be sharing one leaf per child in the above list each week. All leaves that are sent in will continue to be shared in class and displayed on our values trees so do please keep sending them in.

Mystery Reader

Badger class would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Obbard for being their first zoom mystery reader. If you would like to be a zoom mystery reader for your child's class please e-mail Mrs Cummings at <u>office@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk</u> to book in. These stories will take place each Friday at 2.30pm. The children will not be told who is going to read to them, hence the term Mystery Reader.





Rabbits Film afternoon and Squirrel/Badger Panto afternoon

The Friends have planned two fabulous afterschool events:

For Rabbits - A WONDERFUL AFTERNOON OF CHRISTMAS CHEER WITH AN AFTER SCHOOL SHOWING OF STICKMAN! (Thursday 10th December from 3.15–4.15)

For Squirrels and Badgers - A WONDERFUL PANTOMIME OF JACK AND THE BEANSTALK (Friday 11th December from 3.15—4.30)

You will have received details of both events in the newsletter from The Friends but we have included the link to the booking forms below.

Rabbits : https://forms.gle/UrRbGHqsKK5EMU4Z6

Squirrels and Badgers: https://forms.gle/Vp6vazK45YveDkzc8

Christmas Mufti Day



Wednesday 16th December is Christmas Lunch day and wear mufti and a Christmas Jumper to school day.

We would like to ask for a £1 donation which will go to the Friends of Polesden Lacey Infant School.



Nativity

As we approach Christmas, which is always such a special time at Polesden Lacey Infant School, the staff have been thinking about how we can make sure that the children have an opportunity to take part in many of our traditional activities, albeit in a slightly different way. With this in mind we have planned an alternative Christmas production. This year, due to several restrictions that we face, particularly with regard to singing indoors and having parents in to watch the shows we have had to make some changes.

This year's performance will be shorter than normal and we intend to perform and film it outside! Unfortunately, parents won't be able to attend but we would like to make the recording available to parents for **personal use only** at the end of the term.

All three classes will perform a short part of the traditional Christmas story along with some songs which we will film within our bubbles and then put together. We hope that in the rehearsing, filming and watching together as a family we will be able to create memories and bring joy to both the children and their families.

You will be receiving a letter with information about costumes and a link to the songs so that you can all get in the festive spirit at home.



We're dreaming of a Green Christmas

Back in 2010 the children of Polesden Lacey Infant School had a great idea to save waste at Christmas and we have decided to continue this tradition as we have done for the past 9 years. They decided to only send one card to the whole class. The card is shared and displayed on a board in the classroom.

Both the children and the staff join in with this and we hope that you will join in with this initiative to help to save our planet. Cards can be sent in any time from 1st December.

Christmas tree voucher

The Vineries Garden Centre have once again provided us with a 10% off voucher when you purchase a real Christmas tree with them. The voucher below will entitle you 10% off your purchase and the Vineries will donate 50p to the school for every voucher they get back with our school's name on it.

THE VINERIES GARDEN CENTRE LOWER ROAD EFFINGHAM

CHRISTMAS TREE VOUCHER ON PRODUCTION OF THIS VOUCHER 2020

10 ⁹/₀ off your christmas tree



EFFINGHAM, SURREY. KT24 5JP. 01372 458934 (this voucher cannot be used in addition to club members discount)

Fairtrade Fact

The first Fairtrade certified product was Green & Black's 'Maya Gold' chocolate bar

The chocolate bar, made with cocoa from Belize, was launched in 1994. It was followed shortly after by Cafédirect coffee, Percol coffee and Clipper tea.



Eco Fact

This week, with Badger class, we have read about Andrew Turton and Pete Ceglinski, two surfers who decided to do something about the rubbish in the Oceans. They invented the Seabin. We then looked at the Ocean Clean Up who have set themselves the task of removing 90% of the rubbish in the Oceans by 2040. It was inspirational to see what impact individuals can have when they put their minds to making a change.



Dates

Autumn Term 2020

16th December 2020 - Christmas Jumper & Mufti Day (£1 donation to the Friends)

- " " Christmas Making Morning
- " " Christmas lunch for the children

18th December 2020 Last day of Term: school closes at 1pm