



# Newsletter – No. 14 15th December 2023

## Message from Mrs. Mole

I think that we are now all ready for the festive season to begin. Last week we had the joy of Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas productions, a visit from the big man dressed in red and making morning. This week we were dazzled by Rabbit Class' 'Twinkly Nativity', Children and staff eating together and enjoying Christmas songs during Christmas lunch and today, to top it all, Rabbit Class and I were delighted to see Playschool's Christmas production. If we could bottle up all these feelings and sell them we would make a fortune!

An enormous thank you to everyone who has supported the children and the school over the past term. Being a small school is amazing. It really supports teamwork, everyone having a part to play and each and every individual being able to make a difference. I feel so privileged to be part of the Polesden Lacey Infant School community throughout the year and even more so at this time of the year. I overheard one of the Grandparents saying this at one of the shows. She had memories of being in a larger school where it was nearly impossible to know everyone. She said that there was such a strong sense of community at Polesden Lacey Infant School and what a special place it is.

I hope that you all have the most wonderful day, filled with love, laughter, friends and family. School starts back for the children on Thursday 4th January and I look forward to seeing all of you then.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Rebecca Mole,  
Headteacher



## Star of Week

**Rabbits:** All of Rabbit Class for putting on a wonderful Nativity!

& **Charlie** for saying his lines confidently and proudly in the Christmas play.

**Squirrels:** All of Squirrel Class for fantastic work in their Christmas topic quizzes all about toys.

**Badgers:** Alex for being a fantastic member of Badger Class—we will miss you!

## Values Star of the week: .

**Rabbits:** James for being a curious and courageous learner!

**Squirrels:** Seth for being courageous and answering questions in carpet sessions.

**Badgers:** Asher for being so caring and kind.

### Forest School star of the week:

**Rabbits:** **Rafael** for making a beautiful pinecone Christmas tree and helping your friends.

**Squirrels:** **Edward** for threading the biggest leaf wreath!

**Badgers:** **Alex** for painting a jolly father Christmas leaf and making a colourful tree.



### Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

What an amazing array of beautiful Christmas jumpers there were this year. Thank you for all your donations towards the fund for 'Billy the Brave', you raised a total of £158.85. This will be paid into Billy's just giving page.

Can we also thank Jemma for cooking a delicious Christmas lunch for the children and staff. There were lots of empty plates and full tummies after it!





Some of our amazing Reception Class Performers



### Message From The Friends

We've reached the end of the first term already!

Thank you to everyone who has supported us this first term, we're pleased to have run: the coffee morning for new Rabbits parents and carers, community gardening day, the Christmas cards/products, second hand uniform sales, Halloween fun and bake sale, Santa's grotto, wreath making workshop and the Christmas movie night.

We couldn't have run these events without your help and support either as a volunteer or by donating to them, so a big thank you from the Friends Committee and we look forward to more fun and fundraising in 2024.

**Uniform reminder** - If you're having a sort through uniform over the break, don't forget that we regularly have second hand uniform sales.

The next one will be on 12<sup>th</sup> January after school.

If you ever need uniform in between sales please reach out to the Friends Committee on email [plisfriends@gmail.com](mailto:plisfriends@gmail.com) and someone will have a look through and let you know if we have the right size for you.

Please put any good quality outgrown uniform in the black bins outside of the office where they'll be sorted for future sales.

Did you also know we have a clothes bank on site, near the entrance to the pond area? Any other items of clothes or those which are too worn to be reused can be put in there, the school receives a donation for anything collected. So you're helping the planet and helping the school at the same time!

### Dates for 2024

12<sup>th</sup> January 2024 - Second Hand Uniform Sale After School

### Applications for Year 3—Reminder

Much as we would love to keep your children with us at Polesden Lacey Infant School, the time has come for you to consider the choice of Junior school for the next stage in your child's educational journey.

For more information on how to apply please click on the following link from the Surrey Admissions team <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>.

Although we are unable to guide you with regards to choice of school we are more than happy to help with the process so if you do have any questions please ask. Applications close on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### **Charity Book Sale**

We have a number of books that we are planning to sell to raise funds for charity. These books come from old reading schemes and although not fully phonetically decodable they are good quality texts that could be read at home. The books will be priced at 20p each.

Come along and grab a bargain. Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January. Cash Only.

### **Dates**

**2nd January 2024—School Closed Inset Day**

**3rd January 2024—School Closed Inset Day**

4th January 2024—All children return to school

11th January A-Life Healthy Eating and fitness workshop—all classes

26th January RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch

1st February Fairtrade Day

7th February Safer Internet Day

**12th—16th February Half Term**