



**Polesden Lacey
Infant School**

Newsletter – No. 14 13th December 2024

Message from Ms. Mole

This week has been full of some wonderful experiences for children and adults alike.

On Tuesday morning Mrs. Bryan and the eco team led the assembly, talking about all the things that they have been doing. Their main focus had been on ensuring that lights were being turned off in rooms when they were not in use and the items that we use in school that can, if cleaned out be recycled (Glue sticks and pens).

Tuesday after school was movie night. Once again thanks to the parents who volunteered and kept the children entertained with the films, popcorn, drinks and some colouring. The children loved the experience and were very excited about being at school in the dark!

Wednesday morning brought the Rabbit Class Christmas Nativity Show (The Twinkly Nativity). It was a truly joyful experience, the children performed brilliantly, remembered all their lines and the wonderful actions to the songs.

Thursday saw a riotous 'gig' when the three bands from Rock Steady performed to adoring fans (family members and the rest of the school).

Today, Friday, I was lucky enough to be invited to see The Playschool Christmas performance which filled my heart with Christmas glee.

Next week the fun continues with Badger and Squirrel performances on Tuesday and Thursday with Christmas Jumper day on Wednesday which includes Christmas lunch. This year donations for the mufti day will be going to Billy's Battalion as we remember and celebrate Billy the Brave (details below).

Have a lovely weekend.

Rebecca Mole, Headteacher

Star of Week

Rabbits: **Stanley** for developing his handwriting and spelling words containing digraphs confidently!

Squirrels: **Thomas** for fantastic 2D shape models with sticks.

Badgers: **Ben** for amazing participation and great contributions to discussions in our history lesson this week!



Values Star of the week

Rabbits: **Theo** for working hard to feel confident in our Nativity and saying his line clearly.

Squirrels: **Sienna** for being caring towards her friends by helping them with their learning.

Badgers: **Rilee** for being a caring friend and encouraging your peers during the Rocksteady concert.

Forest School Star of the Week

Rabbits: **Axel** for working brilliantly as part of a team to build a 'Christmas Tree'

Squirrels: **Sebastian** for great 2D shapes.

Badgers: **Kenny** for being a great role model during forest school.

NUMBOTS Star of the Week

Rabbits: Khloe

Squirrels: Rory

Badgers: Ralph



Attendance Cup: Squirrel Class

Social Media

Don't forget to look at our school facebook page for more photo's and information about things going on at school.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PolesdenLaceyInfantSchool>



Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/polesdenlaceyinfant>



Reception Nativity - Photos



Rock Steady Concert - Photos



Forest School—photos



Christmas Performances

Following the wonderful show put on by Reception class this week we are really looking forward to welcoming you to our KS1 Christmas performances taking place next Tuesday and Thursday.

The show for KS1 will be exactly the same on both dates but has been split to allow more room for parents at each show. **We will not be issuing tickets this year but are restricting numbers to no more than 2 people per family, per year group.**

If your child is in KS1 your 2 tickets can be used to attend one performance together or to have one person attend each of the 2 KS1 performances, if you cannot make the same date. We request that you do not bring siblings, unless they are one of your two tickets.

The Year 1 show (which includes the Year 2 children) will take place on Tuesday 17th December at 9.00am to 9.45am approximately.

The Year 2 show (which includes Year 1 children) will take place on Thursday 19th December starting at 9.00am to 9.45am approximately.

If Year 1 & 2 parents are not able to attend on the date allocated for your child's class performance there is capacity for you to attend on the alternative date. All we ask is that you let the school office know so that we can put out the correct number of chairs. (The show for both dates is exactly the same)



Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day – 18th December

On the 18th December the school catering team will be serving up a delicious festive Christmas lunch.

We've also chosen this day as our annual Christmas Jumper day, where children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper, full Christmas outfit, or their own weekend clothes. We are asking for a voluntary donation of £1 per child, which will be collected on the day and donated to **"Billy's Battalion"**.



For those of you that aren't aware, this time last year Billy was in Reception Class when he was diagnosed with a DIPG brain tumour. Unfortunately the tumour was terminal and despite a valiant fight Billy very sadly passed away at Easter. In honour of Billy, who was the bravest little boy we knew, we will be donating any money collected to the charity that Billy's parents are setting up in his name "Billy's Battalion". This money will be used to support Abbie's Army who help to raise awareness and funds to support much needed research into this dreadful disease. If you would like to donate more than £1 please feel free to do so.



Message from the Friends

Thank you to everyone who has supported us these past two weeks to host the Santa's Grotto and Festive Making Morning as well as the Movie night this week.

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 2025!!

Uniform reminder - If you're having a sort through uniform over the break, don't forget that we regularly have second hand uniform sales. We will be holding the next sale in the new term so watch out for the date soon.

If you ever need uniform in between sales please reach out to the Friends Committee on email 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!

Easyfundraising

And finally... we wanted to remind you about easyfundraising, a free and easy way that you can support the fundraising efforts for our school. Over 7,500 brands will donate to Friends of Polesden Lacey Infant School at no extra cost to you, allowing you to raise donations when you shop online. Please see the link below for more details:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=206787&invite=52j5ox&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=refCROtest

Dates For Your Diary

School Events:

17th December—KS1 Christmas Performance—after drop off

18th December—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

19th December—KS1 Christmas Performance—after drop off

20th December—Last day of term—**school finishes at 1pm.**



Spring Term 1

6th January 25—Inset Day

7th January — Children return

22nd January—Puppet Show—all classes (pm)

27th January— Bird Watching Week

28th January— Year 2 trip to Woking Mosque—more information to follow

11th February—Year 1 trip to North West Surrey Synagogue

13th February—Little City visiting Reception (am)

17th February—21st February—Half Term—school closed

24th February—all children return to school

Friends Events:

Christmas jumper day – Wednesday 18th December