



# Newsletter – No. 17 15th January 2021

## Message From Ms. Mole.

I hope that everyone is feeling as if they are settling into a bit of a routine. The staff at school are continuing to work hard to support the children and we have been experimenting with our videos that children and parents can use to support the learning.

At Polesden Lacey Infant School we are a community of learners and as with everything, practice makes perfect! The teachers all seem to be getting to grips with the technology and are doing an amazing job with their Zooms and videos. When it comes to filming I think that I am a little slower at perfecting the art of looking and sounding like a professional. It took me at least 5 takes to get my video of 'Where the Wild Things Are' to a stage where I felt that it was good enough to share with the school. Having finally produced my first video, I am now ready to take on the live whole school assembly on Zoom! Our first zoom assembly will be on Thursday 21st January at 2pm and we will send out a link nearer the time. I will be doing plenty of rehearsals between now and then and watching my recording back to see how to improve. Learning never stops at Polesden Lacey Infant School, no matter who you are or how old you are.

One of the things that would help the teachers and those hosting the Zoom sessions would be if you could join the meetings using your child's name. This will make it much easier for us to identify each pupil and let them in from the meeting room more quickly. (Just remember to turn it back to your name when you have your next business Zoom!)

Finally, thank you to the many parents who have emailed in or spoken to us to say how much they appreciate what the staff are doing. We also appreciate all that you are doing, both in supporting us and more importantly in supporting your children. It is incredibly tough at the moment but seeing the work that you are submitting and the photos of the children shows that you are helping them make the most of the situation. Thank you.

Take care, stay safe and Kia Kaha

**Rebecca Mole - Headteacher**

## Star of Week

**Well done to all the winners this week.**

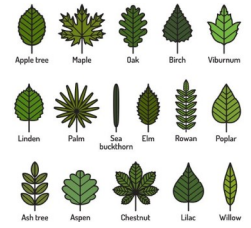
All the teaching assistants for once again stepping up and leading the learning in school for the pupils of critical workers. You are all doing an amazing job.



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

Below are some of this week's leaves:

Throughout lockdown we will be continuing awarding values leaves so please do let the teachers know if and how your child or children have demonstrated one of the Polesden Lacey Infant School values.



**William G** - showed great curiosity when reading, 'What's that noise' and asked why a spaceship doesn't burn up when it lifts off.

**Frederick**— for showing resilience over Christmas during lockdown

**Home schooling parents** - we have seen all our pupils who are learning from home on Zoom sessions and in their learning submitted on Tapestry or Google Classroom and we know that the parents are showing many of our values whilst supporting the children. Resilience, caring, curiosity and courage in abundance!

### Fairtrade Fact

#### 82% of UK consumers care about Fairtrade

According to a Commscore study published in 2019, 84% of UK consumers believe in the importance of third-party certification with 82% caring about Fairtrade. This is important because there is still much work to be done in making trade fair and consumers play a crucial part in achieving this.

I wonder what we could do to increase that percentage even more?



### Eco Tip

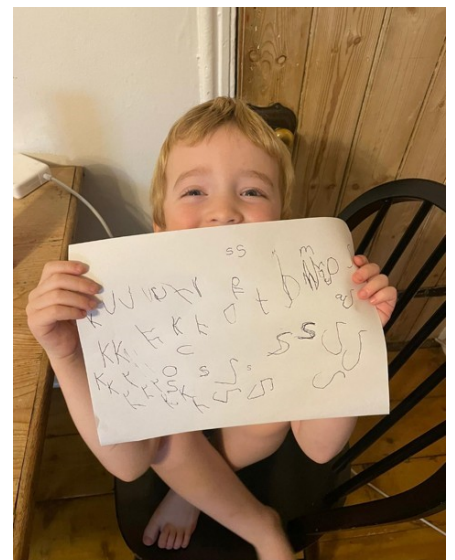
#### Turn of lights when not needed

As it is quite dark at the moment we often have the lights on. Remember to turn them off when you are not in the room.

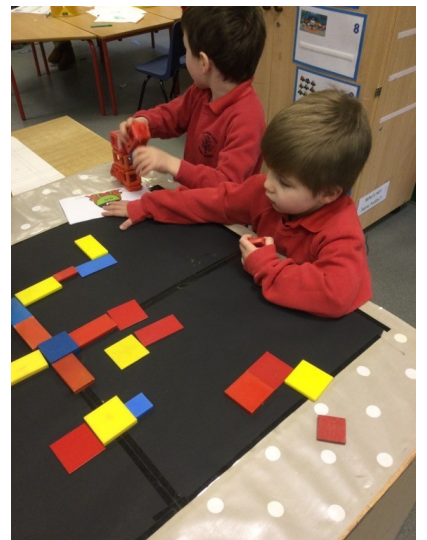
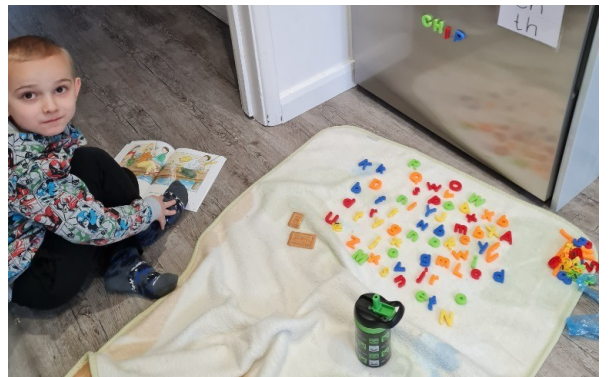
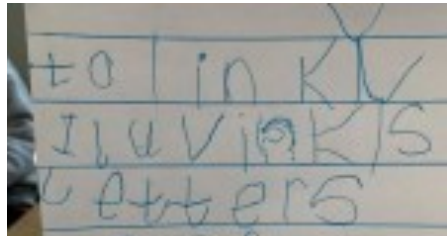


We love to see photos of your children and the learning that they are doing. We hope that the children enjoy seeing one another in the newsletter and that the pictures help to keep feel connected to the Polesden Lacey Infant School community.

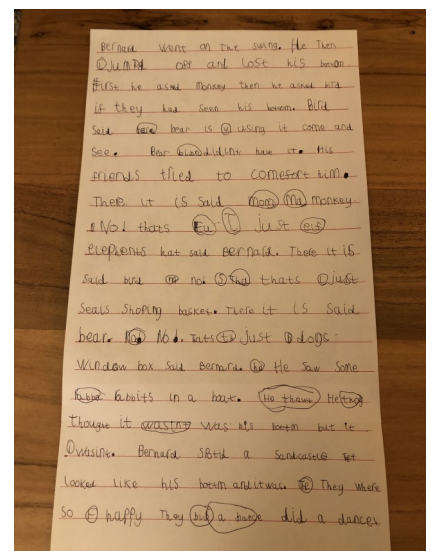
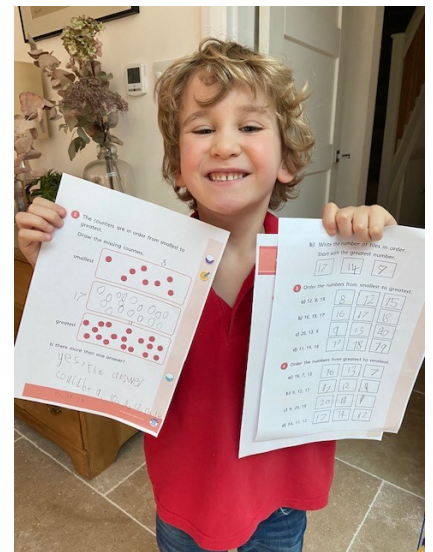
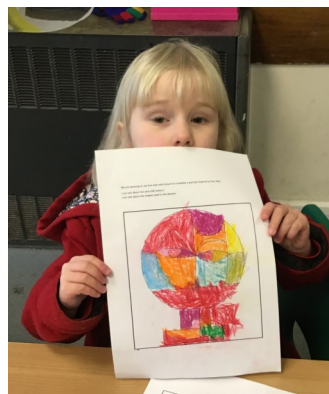
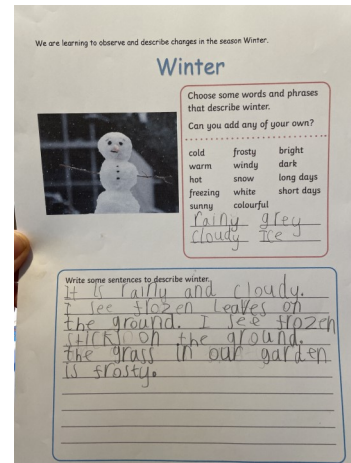
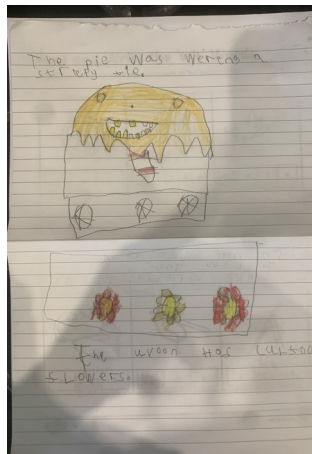
Here are some pictures from this week.



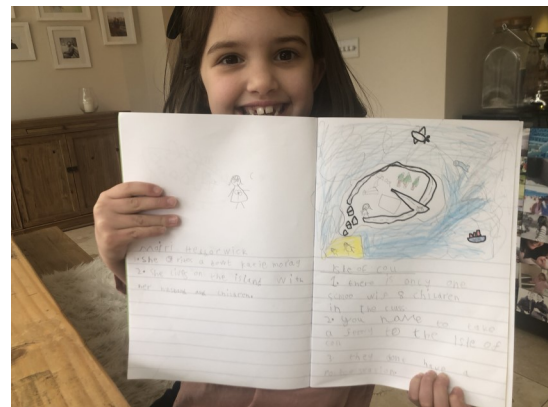
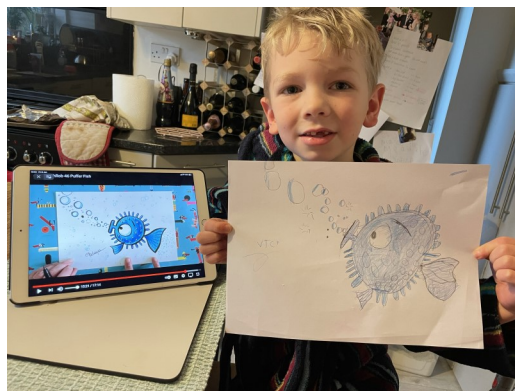
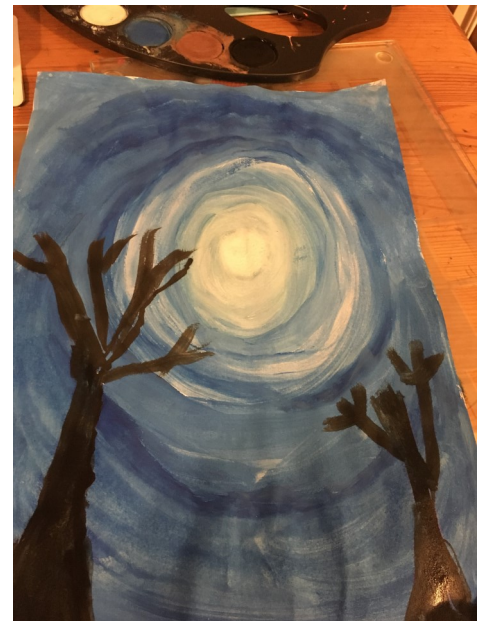
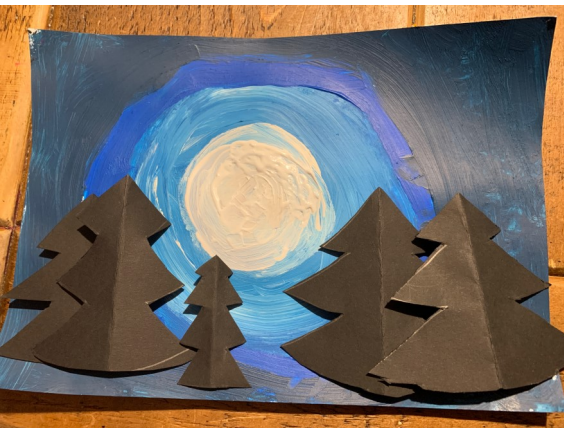
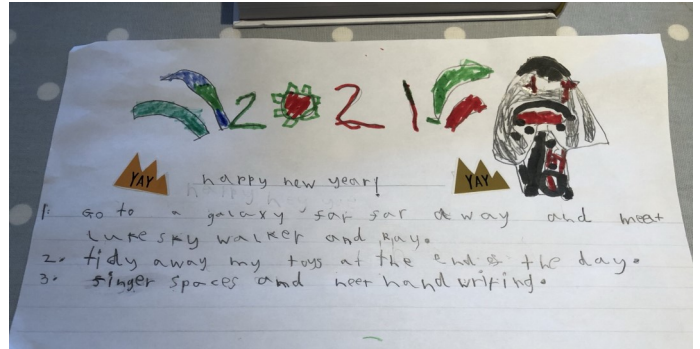
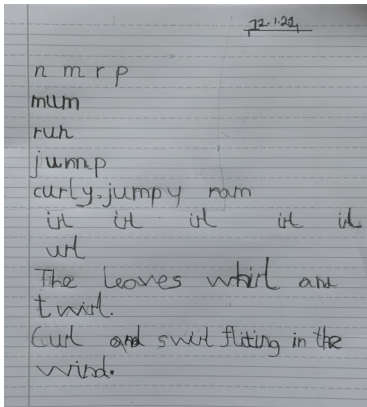












## Dates

### Spring Term

12th February 2021 Break up for half term

22nd February 2021 INSET day (No children) This is the spring INSET day which has now been set

23rd February 2021 all children back to school (subject to any changes implemented by the Government)