**Newsletter** – No. 19 2nd February 2024

## Message from Mrs. Mole

We had a great day thinking about and celebrating Fairtrade. It was great to see how many items that everyone has in their homes that are Fairtrade from sugar to chocolate, from flowers to clothes, from coffee to bananas. Year 2 made some delicious cookies from Fairtrade ingredients and they raised £47.

Did you know ...

There are more than 1.9 million farmers and workers in Fairtrade certified producer organisations

1.880 Fairtrade certified producer organization in 71 countries

£169 million in Fairtrade premium paid to farmers and workers in 2020

47% of all Fairtrade farmers produce coffee

41% of all Fairtrade workers produce flowers

Fairtrade is also helping to sustain our planet by helping farmers adopt environmentally friendly and sustainable practices. Not only is this helping people earn more, protect the planet but will often mean that families can use the money they earn to send their children to school.

At the end of each newsletter and on emails from the school we are including links to our Facebook and Instagram pages. Not only is this a great way to see some of the things that we are getting up to in school but also a way to share your child's school life with family and friends . Why not share the links with them so that they can follow us and stay up to date with life at Polesden Lacey Infant School?

Have a good weekend, enjoy the curry if you have ordered one and keep buying Fairtrade, it makes a difference to people's lives.

Rebecca Mole Headteacher

## Star of Week

Rabbits: Ruben for working hard to write his own sentences and sounding out the letters carefully.

Squirrels: Sophie for great progress in her writing.

Badgers: James for your wonderful work in spelling this week!

## Values Star of the week: .

Rabbits: Eliza for always being a wonderful role model and demonstrating our school values

everyday! You are so caring and respectful.

Squirrels: Amelie for being a caring friend when another child was upset.

Badgers: Anastasia for being a caring and helpful friend.



## Forest School star of the week:

Rabbits: Ava S for excellent contribution to group discussion.
Squirrels: Charlie M for being a curious nature explorer.
Badgers: Harry for being resilient and working well as a team.











## Book Recommendation by Ralph in Year 1

### **The Oxford Infant Atlas**

'I like this book because it's all about countries, mountains and rivers. It's fun learning about different countries and the capital cities. You can borrow it from the school library.'



## IT Support—Parent & Carer Webinar

Our tech support Eduthing are offering a Parent and Carer Webinar on 6<sup>th</sup> February with Sue Atkins (parenting expert). This zoom meeting will support you to navigate the digital landscape! Please see the attached flyer to book your space.

#### **Fairtrade Day**









## **Message From The Friends**

Get ready to put your dancing shoes on for the **Polesden Lacey Infant School Disco**! Our DJ is curating the ultimate playlist, and the lights are set to dazzle.

The Friend's are excited to be holding our first ever school disco in the school hall on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February from 4-5pm for Rabbits, Squirrels and Badgers. <u>Click here</u> to book your ticket(s) now. Tickets are £5 and include a drink and a snack, so don't forget to also complete your <u>permission form here</u>. We've also added the option of requesting your favourite songs, ensuring the children showcase their best moves on the dance floor.

For those who wish to extend the fun, we've arranged tea and coffee in Badgers class. It's the perfect opportunity for parents to chat while the children boogie.

We appreciate that finances are tight for a lot of families so please be assured that every child at PLIS will be able to join the fun, as long as you have completed the permission form. Please feel free to have a confidential conversation with the office or Ms Mole if the donation causes you any kind of difficulty.

Please purchase your child/ren's ticket/s by Tuesday 20th Feb AND please ensure that you have ALSO completed the <u>permission form</u>

## Dates for your diary:

Fri 23rd February - School disco (4-5pm) Thurs 7th March - World Book Day and Book Swap Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Spring Bake Sale Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Hunt Fri 26<sup>th</sup> April – Gardening afternoon Thurs 23 May - Sponsored Bounce & Picnic Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Fair



## Social Media

It has now become more important than ever for us as a school community to ensure we are ever present in the local community and this includes exposure on social media. Many of you have already spent the time to follow us on both our Facebook and Instagram pages - thank you all for your incredible support. NB. Instagram content is different to Facebook so you might want to follow us on both.

If you could please like, follow and comment on our posts it will really help to ensure our fabulous school is able to attract new families in the future. Every comment/like helps us to be highlighted to prospective parents as well as being able to share the fabulous things that happen here everyday.

There will always be some pictures, helpful links and news that we are unable to share via this newsletter so please do check it out!

Our Facebook page link is <u>https://www.facebook.com/PolesdenLaceyInfantSchool</u> and our Instagram link is <u>https://www.instagram.com/polesdenlaceyinfant?igsh=MXV2NWMxeHFkZHhyeA%3D%</u> <u>3D&utm\_source=qr</u> or click on the icon links below to take you there!





Once again, thank you to all of you that continue to help and engage with us in order to support our wonderful school.











## Dates

7th February Safer Internet Day

7th February Police Officer visit to Reception Class (am)

#### 12th—16th February Half Term

7th March World Book Day— Author Visit—Elaine Slade

13th March Open Afternoon Year 1 & 2, Stay and Play Reception (2.30pm-3pm)

14th March Year 1 Assembly (After drop off for approximately 20 mins—all parents and carers welcome)

19th March Parent Consultations (3.30pm-7pm) More details to follow soon

21st March Parent Consultations (3.30pm –7pm) More details to follow soon

22nd March Olympic Athlete Visit (all day)

27th March Year 1 & 2 Grandparents Tea Party (1.30pm—3pm)details to follow after half term

27th March Reception Grandparents Stay and Play session 2.30pm—3pm) details to follow after half term

28th March Last day of term—school closes at 1pm

#### **Easter Holidays**

15th April start of the Summer Term—all children return to school

6th May—May Day Bank Holiday—school closed

27th May—31st May Half term

3rd June—Inset Day school closed for training

4th June all children return to school

23rd July Last day of term - school closes at 1pm



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#### 📅 Save the Date: Tuesday 6th February at 7pm on Zoom

Connect From Anywhere: No need to leave the cosy corners of your home via Zoom and connect with fellow parents on this important digital Journey.

Pont miss out on this opportunity to elevate your role as a digital guardian. Register now for this Zoom webinar and embark on a transformative experience that promises to redefine your approach to online safety.

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