



**Polesden Lacey  
Infant School**

# Newsletter – No. 19 31st January 2025

## Message from Ms. Mole

We had our first big trip, this academic year, when Year 2 went to Woking Mosque on Tuesday morning. The children seem to have thoroughly enjoyed the trip and learnt lots about how the Mosque is used by the local community and why it is a special place for Muslims. The feedback that I have had from the LEO minibus drivers, the staff who attended the trip and the guides at the Mosque is how fabulous the children were. Not only were they respectful of the place of worship and the loaned minibuses, they were also incredibly curious. Mrs. Tredger was extremely proud of her class and all the questions they asked and how they responded to the answers.

In a couple of weeks Year 1 will be visiting the Synagogue in Weybridge to learn a little more about how this is a special place for Jews and in the summer Reception will be visiting the local church to see how the Church is a special place for Christians. These visits are so important for our children. They help to build understanding and respect and celebrate the wonderfully diverse world that we live in.

This week we also had all the fun of taking part in the Big School Birdwatch. Mr & Mrs Heasman, 2 of our local residents and firm supporters of this school, kindly gave up their time to join 2 of the classes during forest school and help them with spotting birds. They were very impressed with the types and numbers of birds that the children saw! Lots of the children brought their knowledge from having taken part at home into school. We have some amazing ornithologists amongst us, some who can identify a bird by its song and others by looking at them. If you were not able to spend time last weekend watching for birds why not do so this weekend. Although the results will not be used it is a great way to spend time with your children and they may even teach you a few things about how to be a bird spotter!

**Rebecca Mole, Headteacher**

## Star of Week

**Rabbits: Lettice** for working so hard to read words with double letters and digraphs.

**Squirrels: Katie** for amazing modelling of a 'toy' dance sequence in PE.

**Badgers: Sophie** for working hard to apply spelling rules in your independent writing.

### Values Star of the week

**Rabbits: Annie** for being a resilient rockstar at Rocksteady!

**Squirrels: Crystal** for being so curious in your learning this week, amazing focus—well done!

**Badgers: All of Badger Class** for being respectful and curious on our trip to the Mosque!



### Forest School Star of the Week

**Rabbits:** Luca for patiently waiting to spot birds and being really quiet and still.

**Squirrels:** Eliza for great concentration and accuracy recording the birds you spotted.

**Badgers:** Lydia for curiosity and enthusiasm bird spotting and learning about different birds.

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### NUMBOTS Star of the Week

**Rabbits:** Stanley

**Squirrels:** Ava S

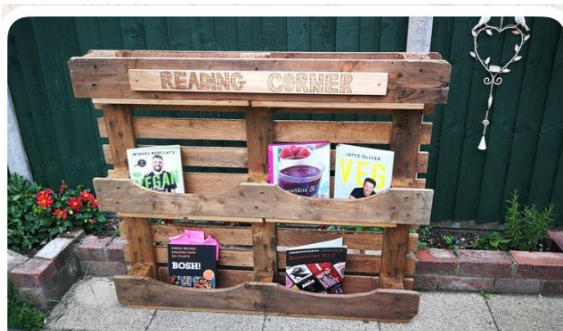
**Badgers:** Sophie

**Attendance Cup:** Squirrel Class



### Donations Needed

Do you have any good quality wooden crates or pallets that you no longer have a use for? If you do we would love to take them off your hands. In keeping with our eco policy and trying to reuse or repurpose unwanted items, Mrs Bryan and Mrs Tredger are hoping to use them to make book cases for the reading areas in their classrooms during the February half term. See example pictures below of what they are hoping to make.



If you have something that you think would be suitable please e-mail us a picture to; [office@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk). Mrs Bryan and Mrs Tredger can then decide which ones they can use and arrange a time and place for them to be dropped of.

### Online Safety Message






It has come to our attention that some children have been talking about a character called 'Cartoon Cat' that appears in videos on YouTube. Despite the name, which would suggest a cute feline character it is not appropriate for children. Video's with the cat have a disclaimer at the start warning of horror and gore. Please do remember to have parental settings on all devices and keep an open dialogue with your children about what to do if they see something that they do not like on the internet. (We have attached separate guidance on setting up parental restrictions.)

## Message from the Friends

We are delighted to see so many parents have been purchasing tickets for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Polesden Lacey Infant School Disco.

If you still need to purchase your tickets, everything you need to know has been included below. ***Please ensure that you purchase your tickets for the event by Tuesday 4 February:***



	<p>Date – Friday 7 February          Timing – 4.00pm – 5.00pm          Location – Polesden Lacey School Hall</p>
	<p>Click <a href="#">HERE</a> to purchase your tickets  <i>Ticket Price - £5 (including a drink and a snack)</i></p>
	<p>Click <a href="#">HERE</a> to complete the Permission Form and to request your child's favourite song  <i>Please note that children will not be able to attend without a completed form</i></p>
	<p>If you would like to volunteer to help during the event, please sign-up <a href="#">HERE</a>.  <i>We are sorry that it will not be possible for Parents or siblings who are not volunteering, to wait in the School Hall during this year's Disco. For Parents wishing to stay during the event, we ask that you please wait in Badgers Class, where we will be serving refreshments.</i></p>
	<p><i>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.</i></p>

## Key Dates

- Friday 7 February – School Disco
- Thursday 6 March – World Book Day Book Swap
- Friday 28 March – Easter Bake Sale
- Tuesday 1 April – Easter Hunt

## Billy's Bash

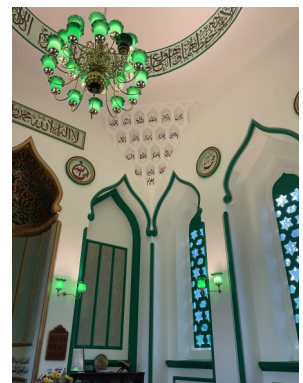
Billy's family are once again holding a Family Funday to raise funds for DIPG Paediatric Brain Cancer Research and Treatments. The details of how to buy tickets for this amazing event and very worthwhile cause are in the poster below.

Ms Mole is going to be holding a stone painting stall on behalf of the school, so if you go, please pop by and decorate a stone.



## Year 2 Visited Woking Mosque this week

For more pictures don't forget to visit our Facebook and Instagram accounts.



## Dates For Your Diary

### Spring Term 1

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

6th March—World Book Day—more information to follow

13th March—2.30pm—3pm—Year 1 & 2 Open Afternoon. Reception Class Stay & Play.

18th March—Parent Consultations—more details to follow

20th March—Parent Consultations—more details to follow

25th March—Year 1 Class Assembly—after drop off

2nd April— 2pm—3pm—Year 1 & 2 Grandparents Tea Party—more details to follow

4th April—Last day of term—**1pm finish**

**7th April—21st April—Easter Holidays—school closed**

### Spring Term 2

22nd April—All Staff & Children Return

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### 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>



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