



Newsletter – No. 2 16th September 2022

Message from Mrs. Mole

Polesden Lacey Infant School is buzzing already! All of the children have now started and seem to be enjoying all they are learning and doing. There is an infectious energy both in the classrooms and in the playground. Not only has it been lovely to see all of the smiling faces but also the care and support that our children show each other if their day isn't going to plan or if they are missing their family. My first values caring leaf went to Willow who took exceptional care of her younger brother at breakfast club when he was missing his mum.

On Wednesday morning Year 1 and 2 had a visit from Fantastic FRED. They were learning about how to look after their mental and physical health. The performers who delivered the workshop praised the children for their engagement, behaviour and knowledge.

FRED stands for:

Food

Rest

Exercise

Devices



Please see below for some of the things that the children thought were highlights of the session. For me one of areas that seems particularly important is 'rest'. Having a good night's sleep makes everything so much easier and adjusting back to the school routine, of going to bed a little earlier and not looking at any electronic devices, can take a little while! I have had to consciously think about my 'sleep hygiene' and Fantastic FRED has definitely strengthened my resolve to stick to my good plans!

Please remember that school is closed on Monday 19th, due to the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II. I hope that the weekend goes well however you decide to spend it.

Rebecca Mole, Headteacher

Individual School Photos

Children's individual school photos will be taking place during the morning of Monday 3rd October .

Star of Week

Well done to all the winners this week.

Rabbits: All Rabbits for settling in to school so well!

Squirrels: Poppy WC for working so hard in all areas of her learning—keep it up!

Badgers: Flynn for being a fantastic role model and always trying his best.

Values Star of the week: .

Rabbits: All rabbits for showing real courage and resilience, well done!

Squirrels: Archer for being a courageous and resilient learner!

Badgers: Henry for being a kind and caring friend.

Fantastic FRED

Read some of the comments from the children:

“It was really funny she put her hand up and said iPad was good at bed time. She made the wrong choice” Arabella

“I learnt not to eat sweets for breakfast” Oliver

“ I remembered that we shouldn’t watch stuff on iPad or electronic devices instead you could read a story before bed & eat healthy not too much food before bed” Molly

“Fred taught me that it is necessary to go to bed early and sleep well” Frederick



Fairtrade

This year I have asked the children in Badger class to take over the Fairtrade Alphabet. Each child will be given a letter and the date of the newsletter that they are writing for. I will be writing to parents and children with additional information next week.

Our first entry will be next week so please do come back and read what has been prepared.

Bike and Scooter Licenses

It is great to see so many people scooting, cycling and walking to school. It is a fantastic way to travel, you will be helping to keep the air clean and you arrive at school full of energy.

In order to help everyone stay safe when scooting and cycling to school we operate a bike and scooter license scheme.

I hear everyone shout, 'How do I get a license?'

Follow the 6 step plan below:

1. Pick up a skillful cycling and or skillful scooting contract with from the school office or download one from the website: <https://polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk/drive-policies/>
2. Read through the contract with your child and help them to understand what they need to do to keep themselves and others safe.
3. Once you and your child are happy that you understand the contract and will abide by it, sign the contract.
4. Take the signed contract to the school office and they will issue you with a license.
5. Attach your license to your scooter and/or bike.
6. Enjoy coming to school safely on your bike and/or scooter.

If your child already has a bike or scooter license it might be worth reminding them of the terms of the contract that they have signed up to, in particular staying close to your adult even when going down hill. This is even more important at the moment due to the number of vans parked down Howard Road that can obscure the vision for people coming in and out of their driveways.

Do you have any children's Newspapers, Comics or Magazines?

Each classroom now has a reading corner for the children to sit and look at different types of age appropriate reading material. If you have any unwanted/used but still in good quality, children's newspapers, comics or magazines we would love to have them. Please leave them with Mrs Cummings in the school office.

Save the Date!

Monday 10th October 8pm

On Monday 10th October at 8pm we have organised an e-Safety meeting to support you to keep your child safe online. It will be run by two ex-safeguarding Police who are going to share information, ideas and insights into online child exploitation and how best to support your family. It has been organised at this time (8pm) as the meeting is not going to be suitable for young ears, please be aware of this before joining the meeting. Joining details to the meeting will be sent in the near future. Please see this website for more information and get the date in your dairies now- **Monday 10th October 8pm!** <https://esafetytraining.org/resources/parents-carers-area/>

Mrs Mathews

E-Safety Tip

Location! Think about where your children are when they are using technology independently, who can see and hear what they are getting up to. You could think about having a designated location for use of technology in your home so that you can monitor use of apps and activities!

Book Recommendation of the week from Miss Joslin

When the Dragons Came by Lynne Moore and Naomi Kefford

When a family-load of boisterous, bumbling dragons burst into peaceful Poppledown Town, there's sure to be trouble! Before long, the whole town is thrown into chaos. Will Poppledown town ever be the same again?

This exciting, rhyming story is all about friendship, tolerance and understanding.



Forest School and PE

Forest School and PE sessions have now started with the children.

There were a few children who did not have their kits in school!

Please can you make sure that your child has their Forest School and PE kit in school at all times as we do not have enough spares to cover them all.



Mystery Reader

After the success of Mystery Reader last year we would love volunteers again. Mystery Reader is exactly that - the children do not know who is coming to read their class a story of their choice and are always so excited when the mystery is revealed.

Mystery Reader will take place on Friday afternoon at 2.40pm.

Please email your class teacher direct if you would like to be a mystery reader.

Miss Joslin— n.joslin@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk

Mrs Mathews— l.mathews@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk

Mrs Binding— e.binding@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk

Mrs Leggatt— n.leggatt@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk

Message from The Friends

Welcome back!

We will be holding our first Friends' meeting on Wednesday 21st September at 8pm in the school hall. If you'd like to find out more about what we're going to be up to this year please do come along! It's a great way to get to know other parents across the year groups. Just email plisfriends@gmail.com to let us know you're thinking of coming.

Another quick date for your diary if you are a new parent at PLIS in any year group - we will be holding a new parent coffee morning on Friday 23rd September after morning drop off, so if you're free do pop it in your diary and we'll share more details next week.

Dates for your diary:

First Friends meeting - Wednesday 21st September at 8pm (in school hall)

New parents' coffee morning - Friday 23rd September at drop off

Gardening Day - Sunday 16th October

Dates

Autumn Term 2022

19th September—School Closed—Bank Holiday for Her Majesty The Queen's funeral

21st September—2.30pm Meet the Teacher Year 2

22nd September—2.30pm Meet the Teacher Year 1

3rd October—Children's Individual School photos

18th October Lego Stem Workshop during the school day

Half Term; 24th October —28th October 2021

2nd November 2pm—3pm Open Afternoon Year 1 & 2, Stay & Play for Reception

23rd November Flu Immunisation's for all classes (Parents must sign up for this online—
see separate e-mail for more details)

Last day of Term; Friday 16th December 2022 school closes at 1pm

