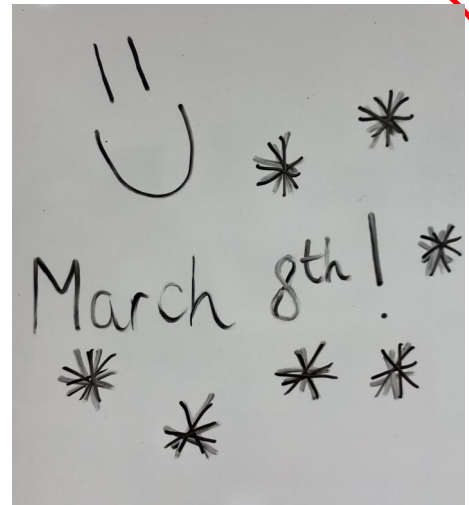




Newsletter – No.20 12th February 2021

Message From Ms. Mole.

This is a photograph of a message, on the staffroom noticeboard, written by one of the staff on Tuesday morning, after the announcement that all children will be back in school on March 8th. I think that it shows how happy we are at the news and how much we are looking forward to having all the children back in the classroom and on the playground and in the woods with us.



This week is the first week of Fairtrade Fortnight and the

children, either this week or next week, will be focusing on this.

When preparing for my assembly it was a powerful reminder about why one of our school values is Fair. Fairtrade has at its essence the idea of being fair, what it means to be fair and how being fair can change peoples' lives and our world. Fair is one of the values that we

see the fewest values leaves awarded for. I don't think that is because the children are not showing this value but rather that we are not recognizing them for it. If you see your child being 'fair' by sharing toys, making choices that show they have considered the positive impact on others or the environment, allowing you to have some time to yourself or suggesting that you buy something that is Fairtrade because they think it is the fair thing to do please so let us know by nominating them for a values' leaf.

Only 9½ days to go, and only 5 of them are homeschooling days!

Take care, stay safe and Kia Kaha

Rebecca Mole - Headteacher

Star of Week

Well done to all the winners this week.

Rabbits: **Oliver** for great effort and progress in learning phonics at home.

Squirrels: **Aaron** for constantly doing the right thing, being on task, and always being delightful to his friends and the adults.

Badgers: **Aya** for going the extra mile and working hard at half term.



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.

Dana for being courageous.

Evie was caring when she helped Oliver find his pencil by remembering that lost things are put on Mrs Quinn's desk.

Henry H for being caring towards other children.

Henry P for being really fair when he said to Mrs West he had already had a turn.

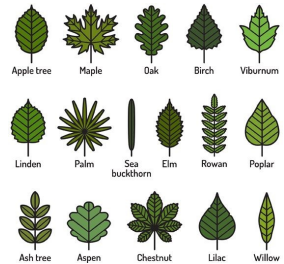
Squirrel Class for being respectful to the new trees in the forest.

Henry E for being curious about how the Harp works.

Harrison was kind to Mrs Binding when he said he liked her mask.

Flynn for being a kind and caring new big brother!

Leo for being courageous in coming back to school.



Parent Consultations

We can now confirm that the dates of the parent consultations will be **Wednesday 24th March** (3.15pm to 5pm and **Thursday 25th March** (3.15pm to 7pm). We will be holding these meetings virtually and we will be sending out a link to sign up for an appointment next week.

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 4th March this year, unfortunately just before we return to school! We would still very much like to celebrate this day.

Please bring your favourite book to your classes morning zoom meeting and if you would like to make a mask or head accessory for a character in this story then that would be great. If your child is at school, they can bring their favourite book with them and wear a mask if they would like.

We would like to create a display of children reading either by themselves or with a family member. Please upload these to Tapestry or Google Classroom and we will print them for our display.

Fairtrade

Check out the Fairtrade website <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/> and the Fairtrade Fortnight website <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/choose-the-world-you-want/> for information and activities that you and your family might find interesting. I particularly like the foodie tent <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/choose-the-world-you-want/foodie-tent/>

I am learning to make some chocolate truffles with Divine Chocolate on Friday afternoon. I'll let you know how I get on!



Eco

A large part of the Fairtrade is enabling producers across the world to work with their environment. Here are a couple of examples.

With fairer pay, Fairtrade farmers can:

- Put money aside for when disasters hit
- Invest in diversifying their crops
- Invest in sustainable farming practices

If a crop is hit by disease or fails due to unpredictable weather, by diversifying their production, farmers have other crops to earn income from

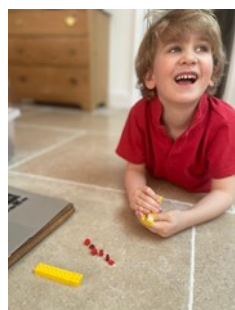
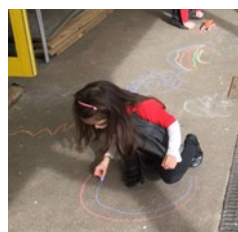
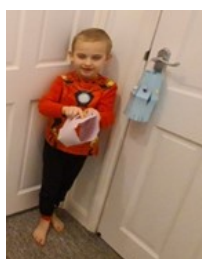
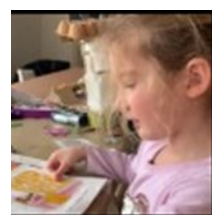
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Fairtrade farmers are also part of the solution. They:

- Protect biodiversity through composting, organic production, and reduction of methane emissions.
- Get trained in climate mitigation. Local Fairtrade staff in Africa, Asia, and Latin America organise workshops and training for farmers on climate-friendly production practices.
- Reduce the use of harmful pesticides. Fairtrade provides training and support on organic pest control and natural fertilisers.

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

4th March 2021—World Book Day

8th March 2021—all children return to school

24th March 2021—Virtual Parent Consultations (3.15pm—5pm)

25th March 2021—Virtual Parent Consultations (3.15pm—7pm)

1st April 2021—school closes at 1pm for Easter Holidays

