



# Newsletter – No.23 5th March 2021

## Message From Ms. Mole.

What a wonderful World Book Day we had. The love of books and the excitement of sharing that love was palpable, even over the internet. Well done to everyone who made a mask and shared their books with their class. I hope that you all enjoyed some extra special bedtime stories. We will be sending the World Book Day tokens home with the children on Monday. Although most book shops are not currently open I believe that both Sainsbury's and W H Smith in Leatherhead have books and accept the vouchers. (Please note that the vouchers are only valid until March 28th 2021)

We would love to make a display of the children reading their books at home so please do upload photos to Tapestry or Google Classroom which we can then print out and use in the display.



Only



2½ days



to go, and

none of them are homeschooling days! All information about the return to school can be found in the letter sent to parents last week. I have also attached a copy to this email.

Take care, stay safe and Kia Kaha

**Rebecca Mole - Headteacher**



## Star of Week

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

**Rabbits:** **Elisa** for her commitment to zoom sessions, great participation and taking over the World Book Day Zoom when Mrs. Leggatt's internet stopped working.

**Kai** for working hard at school everyday and doing some super impressive maths.

**Squirrels:** **Arthur** for participating in zoom sessions and for writing fantastic adjectives to describe a wolf and a bush baby.

**Badgers:** **Oliver** for coping well with moving house and working hard at school, especially in his reading and writing.



**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.

**Alice** - was fair when she bought her sister the same notebook as herself with her pocket money, so she wouldn't feel left out.

**Dana** - showed courage learning how to sit on the rings and on the ropes and climbing higher than ever before.

**William G** - showed great curiosity in solving a problem when investigating division.

**Aya** - curiosity for finding out why we have electric toothbrushes even though water and electricity shouldn't mix.

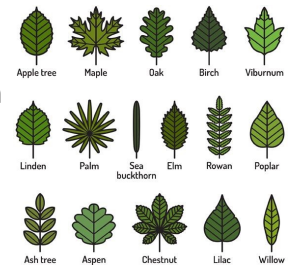
**Oliver**- resilience for when rainwater fell on him from the tarpaulin at forest school.

**Evie**- curiosity for thinking how the kelly kettle at Forest School might work.

**Joseph**- curiosity for thinking up interesting solutions to solve the problem of plastic in our ocean.

**Finlay** —showed great courage when having his eyes tested

**All the children that have been working at home** - showing resilience for coping so well with home learning.



### Parent Consultations

As you know from last week's newsletter 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. We had hoped to provide the sign up sheets this week but we have decided to provide the details for this early next week so please keep your eyes open for an email from us.

### Symptom Free Test Kits

The government has announced that if you're a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of a school pupil, college student or of a staff member, you can get twice-weekly symptom free tests. You can use any testing offered by your employer, **book** an appointment online at a symptom-free testing site, **collect** a home-testing kit from a designated collection point, or if unable to travel to a site, **order** a kit online. Find out more at [surreycc.gov.uk/symptomfreecovidtesting](https://surreycc.gov.uk/symptomfreecovidtesting).

## Fairtrade

This is the last week of Fairtrade Fortnight so please do 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/>

As you may remember I was taking part in a Chocolate truffle making session last Friday and the photograph on the right is what I made. The session was really interesting, not only did I learn how to make the truffles but also about some of the farmers who grow the cocoa.

In case you want to try it the recipe was:

### Ingredients

90g Fairtrade dark chocolate (70%)

90g Divine toffee and Sea Salt milk chocolate

227g Clotted Cream

Fairtrade Cocoa Powder

### Method

Start to melt the 2 chocolates in a bowl over a pan of hot water.

Once they are about 50% melted add in the clotted cream and continue to melt until everything is combined.

Leave to cool and become a solid and then shape into small balls.

Coat in the cocoa powder (I also coated some in chopped pistachio nuts)

Enjoy



## Eco

With this beautiful weather and the spring flowers popping their heads out to say hello, why not continue with the walking that you have been doing during Lockdown. Maybe when you come back to school on Monday you could walk from home or if you live too far away to walk all the way you could find somewhere a little further away than usual and walk the last part.

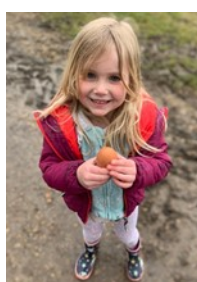
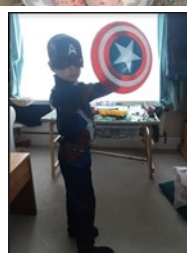
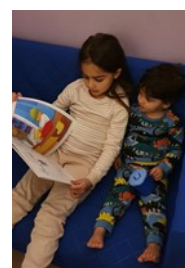
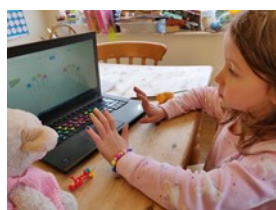
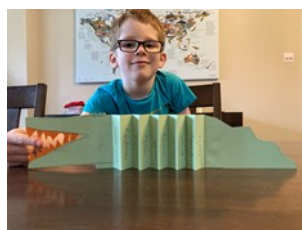
I wonder what you will hear and see on your walk?





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

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

