

Newsletter – No.24 12th March 2021

Message From Ms. Mole.

Just as we expected, it has been joyful having all the children back at school. Once again it was the sound of the chatting, laughing and squealing with delight that was so reassuring and filled us with happiness.

The pictures below are of Squirrel Class in their Forest School session building pirate ships. They show the children planning together, building together, negotiating with one another and celebrating their success together, something that was not easily achieved when home schooling.



Star of Week

Well done to all the winners this week.

Rabbits: Henry for making great progress with his reading

Squirrels: Sofia for enjoying her learning and trying really hard with

everything that she does at school.

Badgers: Joseph for wanting to make a difference to the world and writing to the Prime Minster to

enlist his support.

Evie for looking at things in new and creative ways and writing to the Prime Minister to ask him to stop supermarkets putting fruit and vegetables in plastic bags.

Forest School: **Molly** for remembering and doing excellent listening.



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.

Izzy was caring to Holly when she fell over.

William G was caring when he was concerned and said, 'Are you ok?' to Austin. (He was ok!)

Chloe was caring towards Anais when she said, 'I kind of like what Anais has written.'

Mrs. Secker could see **Rosie** being resilient at playtime trying again and again to catch the ball in the cup.



Mael for being kind to his sister Zoe

Harrison for being kind to the birds.



You will have received an email from the school office on Wednesday regarding parent consultations. Please remember to book an appointment via the online booking portal. The appointments will then we held via video on **Wednesday 24th March** (3.15pm to 5pm) and **Thursday 25th March** (3.15pm to 7pm).

Trainee Teacher in Badger Class

I would like to extend a warm Polesden Lacey Infant School welcome to Miss. Hampson who is a trainee teacher from Roehampton University. Miss. Hampson will be working alongside Mrs. Quinn and Mrs. Leggatt in Badger class from now until the beginning of July. I know that you will make her feel as welcome as the children and staff have already done.

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.



Fairtrade

This week one of the Badger's has this weeks Fairtrade Tip. She is reminding us why Fairtrade is important with her message 'Fairtrade helps farmers get paid fairly for the things they make.'



ECO Tip Please see attached poster for some Food Waste Top Tips.



Food waste top tips

Help the planet – waste less food!

One of the joys of being at home was the ability to make some magnificent models on a large scale. Year 2 have been learning about Islands and volcanos and the children have created some fabulous Islands of their own. The class also had an opportunity to make some at school this week.







Relationships, Sex and Health Education Policy Consultation

As per our email on Thursday, please remember to have a look at our new draft Relationships, Sex and Health Education Policy which is available on the school website: https://polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk/information/policies The policy contains the statutory expectations of what must be covered by the end of infant school, links between relationships education, the science statutory requirements and our PSHE curriculum. Once you have read the policy, please complete the Google Form which is available by clicking on this link: https://forms.gle/4tYdbKXrq4PQZ6K27 The consultation will remain open for two weeks, closing on Thursday 25th March at midday. Once we have reviewed the feedback from the consultation we will once again review the policy and publish it on our website

Forest School Kit

Many thanks for those who have sent in their Forest School clothes and PE kits. If you haven't done this yet please do so as soon as possible. Rabbits have Forest School weekly and this coming week Badgers will need their waterproofs. Please do also check that everything fits. There seems to be something about lockdown that makes the children grow extra quickly!!



Lockdown and Transition Back to School during Covid-19

Resource Pack for Parents

Surrey have produced a resource pack for parents that can be accessed <u>here</u>.

This resource pack has been developed to contain information and resources that may support your family through the transition back to school

The pack contains individual leaflets; you don't need to read all the information in this pack; simply use the table of contents to refer to the subject of your interest. Most leaflets have references to useful websites, and at the end of the pack, you will find a list of useful organisations and phone numbers for your reference. We hope you will find this information helpful.

Dates

Spring Term

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