



# Newsletter – No. 37 14th July 2023

## Message from Ms. Mole

What an amazing day we had at the Summer Fair on Sunday. We were blessed with the most perfect weather, not too hot, not too cold, not too wet and not too windy. The parents on the organizing group had worked tirelessly during the weeks leading up to the fair, all day Saturday and then throughout the morning and afternoon of the fair to get everything ready. During the fair it was great to see so many families and past pupils enjoying themselves. We also had some neighbours, ex-pupils (from the 1970s) and former staff come along and join in the fun. I have seen the total raised (you will have to look below in the newsletter to see what the final total was!) and I am flabbergasted by the amount. This is only possible due the generosity of the parents and carers, both in giving their time and their money. What makes it even more special is that the money was raised whilst everyone was having an amazing time, the feedback from both the adults and the children was that they loved the whole event.

With only one more week left of term we still have lots organized. You will receive your child's annual report today. If you would like to discuss it with the class teacher there is a slip enclosed with the report to enable you to make an appointment. At the end of the report there is also a comment slip. Although I take these in to read, they are also shared with the class teachers, especially when the comments are showing your appreciation of all the staff have done. We also sent out the annual survey earlier this week. Remember to complete it by Monday 17th for your chance to be entered into the draw for the bottle of Prosecco! Links to the surveys are here:

**Rabbit Parents' Survey link:** <https://forms.gle/BDoWDge44WgmEt8g8>

**Squirrel Parents' Survey link:** <https://forms.gle/bTKVByZNjTXzbLtL6>

**Badger Parents' Survey link:** <https://forms.gle/nRsKp9j7vFGstUQy5>

I hope that you all have a wonderful weekend.

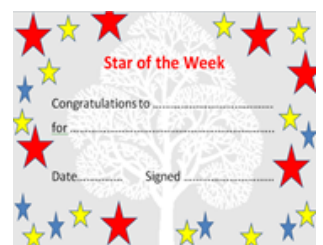
Rebecca Mole Headteacher

## Star of Week

**Rabbits:** Finn for playing so nicely with his friends in the sports court!

**Squirrels:** Thomas for writing a super story and thinking carefully about his phonics!

**Badgers:** Oliver for always giving 100% to all of your learning and having a growth mindset!



## Values Star of the week: .

**Rabbits:** Rilee for being courageous and respectful when playing football.

**Squirrels:** Eloise for being a caring member of our school and looking after the Playschool children too!

Isobel being a resilient learner throughout Squirrel Class!

**Badgers:** Henry for caring for others and always encouraging your friends!

Well done to all the winners this week.

### Forest School Star of the week

**Rabbits: Margot** for good team work while cooking in the mud kitchen!

**Squirrels: Maxine** for caring for nature and helping to make nesting baskets.

**Badgers: Jacob** for being really sensible and careful using the palm drill to make Elder beads.



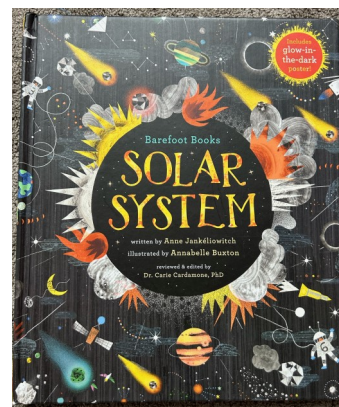
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### Book Recommendation of the week ..... By Annabel Year 1

#### Solar System

By Anne Jankeliowitch

"I love this book because it tells me all about space and gives me lots of facts. I love learning about space and have a telescope at home to look at the planets."



### Message From The Friends

#### Summer Fair - Drumroll please.....

Thank you so much to everyone who helped plan, prepare for, set up, run and clear away the Summer Fair last weekend. We very much appreciate your involvement. That includes local residents, governors, staff and ex-staff, who all helped out.

Thank you if you attended the fair and enjoyed the BBQ, had a drink at the bar, bought a plant or played the games.

We are so pleased to announce that we raised around £1,500 (after expenses have been accounted for) for the benefit of our children. Next week we will share with you our total fundraising for the year and some of the plans that the school has about how to spend it!

#### The Friends - 2023 and beyond!

As you know Cathy, Vicky and Emily will be leaving PLIS with their children next week, having run the Friends for the last two years. We are delighted that Gina Yearsley and Jenny Alderman in Rabbits are keen to take up the elected roles of Chair and Treasurer respectively, but they still need someone to fulfill the role of Secretary. All three elected roles must be filled for the Friends to be able to continue.

This role can largely be done remotely, ensuring the delivery of the Friends' constitution and ensuring meetings happen regularly (once a term) and are recorded.

If you might be interested and would like to find out more please chat with Cathy or Gina or email [PLISFriends@gmail.com](mailto:PLISFriends@gmail.com)



## Polesden Lacey Infant School Summer Fair -





## Take One Picture Day

On Wednesday we celebrated 'Take One Picture Day' where the children learnt about the artist and sculptor Anna Collette Hunt who creates ceramics insects. She installed 10,000 ceramic insects in Nottingham Castle titled "Stirring the Swarm".

<https://exhibitionsatnottinghamcastle.files.wordpress.com/2014/12/dsc4979.jpg>

Then the children spent time in their classrooms creating their own clay insects, looking carefully at the shapes and attaching the clay together carefully.



## Dates for your diary 2022/23 - The Friends of Polesden Lacey Infant School

If you're keen to help out with any of these activities and events, or have any questions, please email [plisfriends@gmail.com](mailto:plisfriends@gmail.com).

To be able to help you will need to have attended one of Ms Mole's Safeguarding Briefing sessions please.



## This week at Forest School



## School Dates

### Summer Term 2023

19th July—(am) Year 2 Leavers Assembly—more details to follow

21st July—Last day of term—school finishes at 1pm

### Autumn Term 2023

1st September—School Closed Inset Day/Staff Training

4th September—school closed Inset Day/Staff Training

Tuesday 5th September—8.30am Year 1 & 2 return