



**Polesden Lacey
Infant School**

Newsletter – No. 4 27th September 2024

Message from Mrs. Mole

Firstly, I wanted to welcome James Hinks to the Polesden Lacey Infant School community. James is training to be a teacher and will be based in Badger Class for the majority of the school year. He will be spending time in different classrooms to learn from the amazing staff that we are fortunate to have and in the early Spring term he has a six week practice at another school.

Secondly, I would like to remind you that you are invited into school on Monday 30th September to meet members of LEO Academy Trust and our school governors. This is an opportunity to find out first hand why the Governors of Polesden Lacey Infant School are recommending we join with an Academy Trust, why they think that LEO are a great fit for our school and to ask any questions.

The times that you can come are meet with the Governors and LEO Trust are:

8:30 am - 10:00 am

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Have a good weekend and I look forward to seeing many of you at the consultation meetings on Monday.

Rebecca Mole, Headteacher

Star of Week

Rabbits: **Luca** for showing his brilliant number knowledge and being a curious learner.

Squirrels: **Taylor** for working hard in maths this week to understand 'greater than' and 'less than'.

Badgers: **Edward** for your positive attitude to learning! You are an amazing role-model!

Values Star of the week

Rabbits: **Jasmine** for being resilient and courageous when coming into school!

Squirrels: **Katie** for always showing all of our values.

Badgers: **Seth** for your resilience when practising joined up handwriting.



Forest School Star of the Week

Rabbits: **Alice** for doing a brilliant job of remembering our forest school rules.

Squirrels: **Manuel** for being a super nature explorer and finding a beautiful 'leaf skeleton'.

Badgers: **Margot** for brilliant team work doing your puppet show.

NUMBOTS Star of the Week

Squirrels: Ruben

Badgers: Ralph

Attendance Cup: Rabbits



Individual School Photos—Tuesday 2nd October

Children's individual school photos will be taking place during the morning of Tuesday 2nd October. Remember to take extra special care when getting ready for school so that you can look your best!



School Open Days

We're already getting ready for the 2025 intake and have a number of open days at the school. It really helps when prospective parents can talk to current parents about their experience at the school, especially as you all have such wonderful things to say about our special school. If you can spare a little time on any of these dates please do speak to Mrs Cummings or Ms Mole.

Wednesday 9th October 2024 1.30pm—3pm

Wednesday 23rd October 2024 9am—10.30am

Friday 8th November 2023 9am—10.30am

Monday 2nd December 2024 1.30pm—3pm

LEO Academy Trust Information Sessions—Reminder

The governing body of Polesden Lacey Infant School is considering whether it would be beneficial for our school to become an academy as part of LEO Academy Trust.

If you would like to discuss this further in person, governors and representatives of The Leo Trust will be available on Monday, September 30th (at the times listed below) in the school hall.

8:30 am - 10:00 am

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm:

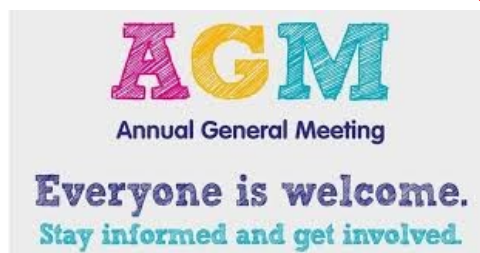
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm:

You are welcome to submit questions in advance of the meeting via this Google Form - <https://forms.gle/9J6W3qtdXqG9TWSs6> or email consultation@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk

Message from The Friends

AGM and First Friends Team Meeting – Mon 30th Sept 7.30 - 9pm

We'll be holding our AGM and first planning meeting in school on Monday 30th Sept.



Thank you to those that have already said they are able to make it. If you would like to come along, hear more and hopefully get involved, please do email us at PLISFriends@gmail.com or drop us a note on Whatsapp and we will make sure there is plenty of wine and refreshments!

It's a great way to get involved with some of the fantastic events we hold through the year, including Santa's grotto, the school disco, our annual sponsored bounce and of course summer fair - as well as lots of other events in-between! If you can't make it, just let us know and we can circulate the minutes and the annual plan after.

Re-Scheduled Gardening Session

With apologies for the short notice, but we're pleased to announce the re-scheduled Garden day for **this Tuesday 1st Oct after school from 3 - 5pm**. As before, come and stay for as long as you can! We will provide some refreshments and snacks too! If you're able to stay please do let us know by emailing plisfriends@gmail.com or send a whatsapp to Gina on 07973484383.

There are lots of jobs big and small, but if anyone has a hedge trimmer or a drill please do bring them along!



Facebook & Instagram Pages

Don't forget to visit our school Facebook and Instagram pages for updates, news and more information on the exciting learning and events taking place each week.

Not only is this a great way to see some of the things that we are getting up to in school but also a way to share your child's school life with family and friends. Why not share the links with them so that they can follow us and stay up to date with life at Polesden Lacey Infant School?

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PolesdenLaceyInfantSchool>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/polesdenlaceyinfant>



Free airTEXT service for residents

Six borough and district councils in Surrey are offering a free service called airTEXT to warn residents about upcoming air pollution. You can [sign up](#) for alerts by text, email, or voicemail which launches at the start of October 2024.

The six areas that are launching the services initially are:

- Elmbridge Borough Council
- Reigate and Banstead Borough Council
- Spelthorne Borough Council
- Runnymede District Council
- Mole Valley District Council
- Tandridge District Council.



These alerts use information about weather forecasts and pollution sources to predict air quality up to three days in advance. The forecasts are issued twice a day and are compared to actual pollution levels to improve accuracy. The alerts are triggered when a significant portion of an area is expected to have high pollution levels and include information about nitrogen dioxide, particulates, ozone, and other pollutants. This is particularly helpful for those with chronic health conditions such as asthma and other respiratory conditions, so they can decide whether to adjust their activities. For more information on health advice and recommended actions that individuals may wish to consider taking at different levels of air pollution, please check out the Defra UK Air [daily air quality index](#) (DAQI).

Dates For Your Diary

School Events:

2nd October—Individual students school photos

3rd October—National Poetry Day

4th October—Splats Circus Skills - For all classes during the school day

7th October—Flu Vaccines all children where consent given

16th October—Year 2 Superhero Day

22nd October—Badger Class Assembly

23rd October—Lego Robotics Workshop—more details to follow

28th October—1st November—Half Term—School Closed

4th November—Inset Day—School closed

5th November—all children return to school

Friends Events:

Gardening Day - Tuesday 1st October 3pm—5pm

AGM and First Friends Team Meeting – Mon 30th Sept 7.30 - 9pm

Halloween Scary Hairy and Mufti day with a Cake Sale after school - Friday 25th October