Newsletter – No. 8 4th November 2022

Message from Mrs. Mole

Over the half term I received an exciting email from the Fairtrade Foundation. Our application to be a FairAchiever had been reviewed and we had been awarded the certificate. Not only are we delighted that the work we do with the children has been recognised, with the highest award that they give, but it was pleasing to read such positive comments from the reviewer. Amongst the things that they said were:

'This is a fantastic application, well done! You have a strong Fairtrade policy and it's clear that Fairtrade is very well embedded in your school ethos, including lessons, staff room and school events. '

'It is very clear that Fairtrade is embedded in the school ethos, from lessons to whole school activities. We are really pleased that you have made such good use of Fairtrade resources from the Schools website and that you are linking Fairtrade with wider sustainability issues.'

'It is fantastic that children can articulate what Fairtrade means to them and that they are taking these ideas home to share with their families.'

'It is clear that Fairtrade is embedded in all subjects of your curriculum. It's fantastic that every newsletter contains an item on Fairtrade. To include a reference to Fairtrade in your job adverts shows your true commitment to Fairtrade.'

As educators we are always looking at how to improve and the Fairtrade Foundation has given us a pointer:

'For renewal you could look into non-edible Fairtrade products such as Fairtrade uniform and sporting equipment.'

Don't forget to read the Fairtrade alphabet below, this week it is written by Chloe in Year 2.

Rebecca Mole

Headteacher

Collection for Mid Surrey Fridge

We are having an assembly, with the children, on Monday 7th November where the children will be thinking about harvest and singing harvest songs to one another. As part of this, the staff are bringing items that we can donate to Mid Surrey Community Fridge. We would also like to invite the children to bring in canned or

dry goods which we will then donate. These will then be used by the community fridge, including when they operate out of South Bookham Space. If you are able to donate a tin of soup, packet of biscuits, some dried pasta or noodles or any other canned or dry foods they will be gratefully received.





Star of Week

Rabbits: Edward for looking after a friend when they were sad.

Squirrels: James for demonstrating his knowledge in Maths and challenging his teachers with his word problems!

Badgers: Anya for your beautiful and thoughtful poppy design in art.

Values Star of the week: .

Rabbits: Mia for being a respectful and caring friend.

Squirrels: Emily for being a respectful, caring and resilient member of

Squirrel Class.

Badgers: Ava for great curiosity in our fire safety session—you asked great questions!

Forest School Star of the week:

Rabbits: Arthur for being safe and sensible at the fire hexagon.

Squirrels: Thomas for your enthusiasm and focus on the Halloween task.

Badgers: Flynn for showing brilliant creativity and team work.

Art Competition

Wisley Gardens are running a design competition asking children to design an egg! The theme this year is spring, nature and wildlife and the winner of the competition will have their design featured on one of the eggs as part of the 2023 Easter Egg Hunt! The competition closes on 2/12/2022.

RHS Design a GIANT Easter Egg for RHS Wisley

We are asking our young visitors to help us design a giant egg for our Easter Egg Hunt which will take place in the Garden in 2023. The theme for the design should be based on

spring, nature and wildlife.

The winning design will be featured on one of the eggs as part of the 2023 Easter Egg Hunt.

Please ask students to draw their design in the shape of an egg and send completed entries by email to <u>learningwisley@rhs.org.uk</u> by the closing date of

Friday 11 November 2022.

Winners will be contacted via email by 2 December 2022. We look forward to receiving your design entry. Good Luck!





Fairtrade -





Fairtrade G is for Gold

- Gold is found all over the world
- In a lot of countries gold mining is illegally mined and is ruining our ecological system;
 - Wildlife (taking their homes and food trails)
 - Rain forests (trees give us oxygen);
 - Planet Earth we all live on
- Gold miners need to be paid appropriately for mining which is why FAIRTRADE stamp all globally recognized gold when produced for jewellery

* If you are interested in the overall affects of gold mining and the damage it is doing to the Amazon Rainforest, watch Simon Reeve's South America on BBC2 iplayer.

E-Safety Tip

Parental Controls!

Do you know how to change the settings on your devices at home to ensure your child is only accessing suitable information – follow the link below to find out more!

https://esafetytraining.org/resources/parents-carers-area/settings/

Book Recommendation of the week from Mrs Binding

Hello World - Animals by Nicola Edwards

This is a great non - fiction lift the flap book for all ages, exploring different animals from around the world from learning about the different continents, oceans and seas.

Mrs Binding is looking for book recommendations from parents/ carers or the children. Please get in touch if you would like to share yours.



Halloween Pictures from Forest School—Year 1 & 2



Reception Class had a lovely time at Forest School when the rain and wind eventually calmed down! They had their first fire and hot chocolate at the Fire Hexagon.



Message from The Friends

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

We have been very keen and set out our complete plan for the year. Please pop these dates in your diaries for now - more information will be shared closer to each date.

If you're keen to help out with any of these activities and events, or have any questions, please do email <u>plisfriends@gmail.com</u>.

We will ask for specific volunteers nearer the time where they are needed, but always welcome your interest!

Fri 9th December - Christmas Grotto, Making Morning and Christmas In the Classroom

Fri 3rd February (tbc) - Quiz Evening

Thurs 2nd and Fri 3rd March - Book Swap for World Book Day

Thurs 30th March - Easter Activities and Bake Sale

Thurs 27th April - Sponsored Bounce

Thurs 8th and Fri 9th June (tbc) - Making Mornings for Bookham Village Day (Sat 17th June)

Sun 9th July - Summer Fair

Thurs 13th or Fri 14th July (tbc) - Summer Movie Night and Mufti

Dates

Autumn Term 2022

8th November & 10th November — 3.30pm—7pm Parent Consultation appointments

23rd November Flu Immunisation's for all classes (Parents must sign up for this online—see separate e-mail for more details)

25th November — Perform workshop for all 3 classes

6th & 8th December 9.15am — 10am Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance - admission will be limited to 2 adults per child further details to follow later.

13th December 9.15—9.45am — Reception Class Nativity—more details will follow nearer the time.

Last day of Term; Friday 16th December 2022 school closes at 1pm