



**Polesden Lacey  
Infant School**

# Newsletter – No. 8 25th October 2024

## Message from Mr. Rogers and Ms Mole

As you may remember, following the consultation regarding Polesden Lacey Infant School joining the LEO Academy Trust, our full governing body met on 15th October to all feedback. After careful consideration the Governors have decided to continue the process of carrying out due diligence, with the intention of Polesden Lacey Infant School joining the LEO Academy Trust.

This decision marks an important step in the thorough process in which we will evaluate whether joining the LEO Trust would be the best step forward for our school, staff, and pupils. We believe it is essential to investigate how this partnership could provide us with the support and opportunities to further enhance our educational offering and ensure the best outcomes for all students.

We recognise that change can bring uncertainty, and we want to assure you that we will keep communication open and transparent throughout the process.

Mark Rogers, Chair of Governors and Rebecca Mole, Headteacher

## Message from Ms. Mole

After such a busy and productive half term I couldn't resist squeezing a short message in to say well done and thank you to everyone who has made it so successful. The staff have planned and delivered learning that excites and engages the children. The children have settled into the school routine well and show our school values daily, in their approach to their learning and their relationships. Parents, carers, The Friends and Governors have supported the children and the school and the office team have worked tirelessly to ensure the smooth day to day running of our wonderful school. I hope everyone has a lovely break and I look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday 5th November. Rebecca Mole, Headteacher

## Star of Week

**Rabbits:** **Sammy** for working so hard everyday in Phonics—you always try your best!

**Squirrels:** **Seth** for working hard this week writing your Queen's story.

**Badgers:** **All of Badger Class** for a wonderful class assembly!

### Values Star of the week

**Rabbits:** **Axel** for demonstrating our school values consistently—a super role model!

**Squirrels:** **Ruben** for being resilient when building his straw structure.

**Badgers:** **Ellis** for your curiosity and for noticing links in your maths learning this week!



### Forest School Star of the Week

**Rabbits:** **Sammy** for being curious about bats and remembering lots of the information.

**Squirrels:** **Charlie W** for resilience and great focus when making his bat.

**Badgers:** **Ellis** for great focus in Forest School and teaching Rabbit Class how to make bats!

## NUMBOTS Star of the Week

Squirrels: Seth

Badgers: Ben

Attendance Cup: Squirrels



## 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.

Friday 8th November 2023      9am—10.30am

Monday 2nd December 2024      1.30pm—3pm

## Year 2 Assembly

Don't forget to look at our school facebook page for photo's of the children at their Year 2 assembly.

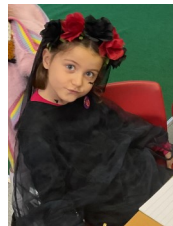
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## Hairy Scary Photos !!!!

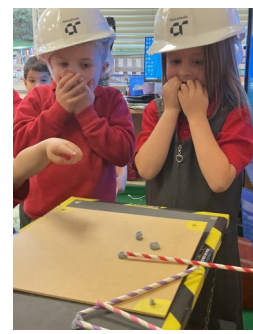
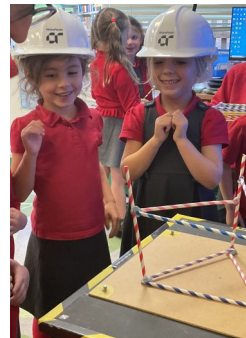
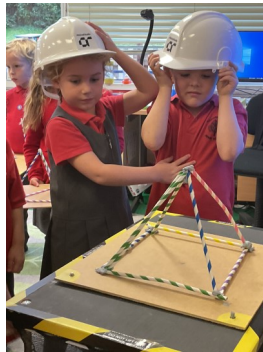
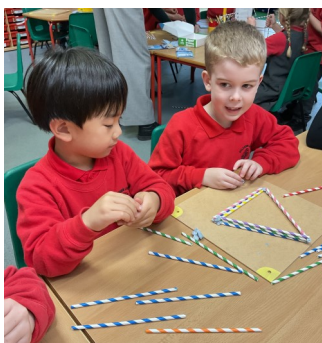
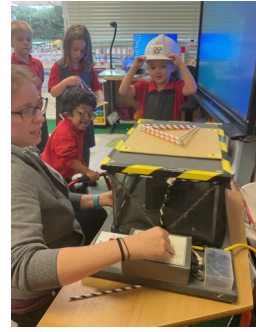
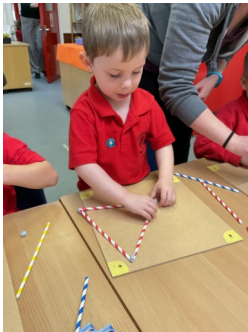


### Parent/Carer Safeguarding Briefing Session

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November from 2.30pm to 3pm, we will be running a Parent/Carer Volunteer Safeguarding Briefing session. These sessions are for any parents or carers who would like to help out in school with the various events that the Friends run, like the Christmas making morning, movie nights, Easter Egg hunt, etc or if you would like to volunteer to come in to school on a regular basis and listen to the children reading or help out with the school library, for example.

If you fit into any of these categories please email [office@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@polesdenlaceyinfant.surrey.sch.uk) to book a place.

### Stem Visit—Sammy's mummy



This week the children in all classes were lucky enough to be visited by Sammy's Mum in Rabbit Class. They enjoyed learning about how and why structures need to be strong and stable. They then had a go at building their own structure and testing it out on the shake table - it was great fun to watch their work wobble and see if it could withstand lots of movement!

### Additional Needs and Disabilities (AND) Partnership Survey

The Additional Needs and Disabilities (AND) Partnership has designed a survey for all parents and carers of children and young people with AND in Surrey.

The AND Partnership want to understand your experience of accessing help and support related to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in Surrey. They will use your feedback to improve local services that support Surrey's children with additional needs with their education, health (including diagnosis) and care.

Take the survey <https://www.surreylocaloffer.org.uk/news/homepage/parents-voice-matters-survey>

**The survey closes at 23:59 on Sunday 24 November 2024.**

## Message from the Friends

### The Month of October

It has been wonderful seeing all the children today with the spectacularly spooky hair and some amazing costumes too! So much excitement at the school gates this morning!

Don't forget there is a perfect opportunity for a yummy 'end of half term treat' too, with the bake sale running at pick up. Don't forget to bring some money along – ideally cash but we will be able to take card payments too.

### **Christmas**

Our attention has also now started shifting to Christmas and the exciting events we have planned for the Children in the second half of this term. We will be sharing further details closer to the time, but please note the dates for your diaries below.

### **Christmas Artwork – Last Chance to Order!**

A reminder that the deadline for ordering Christmas Artwork is 12.00pm on Monday 28 October. If you would like to place an order, please follow the link at [approve.myfundraisinghub.com](https://approve.myfundraisinghub.com). A percentage of anything ordered goes to the Friends for the school.

### **easyfundraising**

As we all turn our attention to Christmas shopping, we wanted to remind you about easyfundraising, a free and easy way that you can support the fundraising efforts for our school. Over 7,500 brands will donate to Friends of Polesden Lacey Infant School at no extra cost to you, allowing you to raise donations when you shop online. Please see the link below for more details:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=206787&invite=52j5ox&referral-campaign=s2s&utm\\_campaign=refCROtest](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=206787&invite=52j5ox&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=refCROtest)

### **2024 Dates for your Diary**

Santa's Grotto – Friday 6 December 2024

Making Morning – Friday 6 December 2024

Christmas Movie Night – Tuesday 10 December 2024

Wishing you all a restful half term break!

## **Lego Robotics Workshop—Year 1 & 2**



## **Dates For Your Diary**

### **School Events:**

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

4th November—Inset Day—School closed

5th November—all children return to school

5th November—Open Afternoon—all classes—2.15pm—3pm

6th November—Perform Workshops—all classes

12th November—Parent Consultations 3.30pm—6pm—all classes

14th November—Parent Consultations 4pm—7pm—Reception & Year 2

19th November—Parent Consultations 4pm– 7pm - Year 1 only

6th December—Christmas Making Morning & Santa's Grotto

11th December—Reception Class Christmas Performance—after drop off—more details to follow

12th December—Rock Steady Concert—10am—for parents and carers of children that attend Rock Steady

17th December—KS1 Christmas Performance—after drop off—more details to follow

18th December—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

19th December—KS1 Christmas Performance—after drop off—more details to follow

20th December—Last day of term—school finishes at 1pm.

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