

Easebourne C.E. Primary Newsletter

In a safe, loving environment built on the strong Christian values of **faith**, **hope** and **love**, we want our children to **ACHIEVE**, to **BUILD** and to **CONNECT**



Friday 14th May 2021

A WORD FROM THE HEAD

This week sees the start of a new school initiative with a nature table outside the hall. Harriet S's mum brought in some simple wooden crates to start us off and the table kicked off with contributions from Benjamin (Y1) – see picture. Each day, Benjamin and Bailey (Y3) have added to the table, and done a little bit of

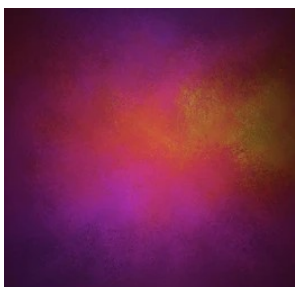


curating of contributions from other children. Lola (Y5) and Leon (Y5) each made 'nature art in a box' arrangements out of a range of leaves and flowers. It's an evolving idea and children are very welcome to bring in findings from their garden. It's also ephemeral by its very nature and as items are added, other items will be removed because of their condition, e.g. picked flowers, or given back. What is lovely to see is children looking and discussing together. As to findings from the wild, there is helpful advice [here](#).

Our museum curators will be writing next week about the new exhibition that they are planning and would welcome the support of family and friends.

Have a lovely weekend.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



This week we looked at the different seasons in the Church calendar. And the red, gold and purple colours we see in Church. We 'look forwards' during Advent; for Epiphany our 'eyes are opened'; we 'cover our eyes' on Good Friday and we 'wipe away happy tears' during the feast of Ascension.

FORTHCOMING DATES:

17.05	Bikeability
18.05	Last day for ordering class photographs
24.05	Closing date for Post Office competition
24.05	Y5 Gilbert White Museum trip
24.05-27.05	Parent Consultations via Zoom
25.05	YR/Y1 Visit from Ranger Stu
27.05	Y6 Gilbert White Museum trip
28.05	PTA Break the Rules Day
28.05	Last day for ordering for Scholastic Book club

KEY DATES:

31.05	Bank Holiday
01-04.06	Half Term
07.06	INSET Day
23.07	Last Day of Term

WRAPAROUND CARE



Since last year, we've been running a successful wraparound provision within the school. Although we've had to remain in our class bubbles, we've enjoyed a range of activities, including: Lego, crafts, bingo, colouring and more. We try to get active, either outside on the field or in our PE hall, playing socially distanced ball games or going on nature hunts. We run 4 sessions around the school day, to suit all requirements: Breakfast Club: 8.00am – 8.50am. After-

noon session **1**: 3.00pm – 4.15pm
afternoon session **2**: 4.15pm – 5.30pm
afternoon session **3**: 3.00pm – 5.30pm. At each session, we provide a selection of either breakfast or snack options. Fresh fruit, water and sugar-free drinks are always available. Booking can be made via the 'Teachers2Parents' app. For more information, please contact Donna
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SCOUTING AND GUIDING IN EASEBOURNE

In Easebourne we are lucky enough to have thriving scout and guiding groups. Children have the opportunity to have new adventures with other children outside of the school environment. We provide a range of activities; from sleepovers to campfires, canoeing to night hikes. The children learn leadership and problem solving skills but more importantly they have fun sharing their new experiences.

Meeting nights are:

Beavers (6-8yrs) Thursdays

Cubs (8-10 ½ yrs) Wednesdays

Scouts (10 1/2 -14yrs) Fridays

Contact:

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sandguides.com

Rainbows (5-7yrs) and

Guides (10-14) Mondays

Brownies Tuesdays

Contact:

www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

NURSERY AND EYFS

This week Caterpillars have started their own hand print caterpillars to display in their classroom.

Ladybirds have been making animals from The Gruffalo story. There are lots of owls, foxes, snakes and mice hanging around!

Bumble Bees have been colouring patterns on their pants and hanging them on a washing line. "I done stripes", "I done flowers and a rainbow". They also had a visit from the Book Bus.



Dragonflies have thoroughly enjoyed their Forest School taster sessions with Chris. They made creatures out of clay and then homes for them. They had a go at tyre rolling, playing on the swing and stripping willow to design wands, swords and bows. They enjoyed spending some time investigating the pond and they found a 'secret garden'. The children also paid a visit to the chickens.

"I made a really smiley face out of clay." (Ted - Dragonflies Class)

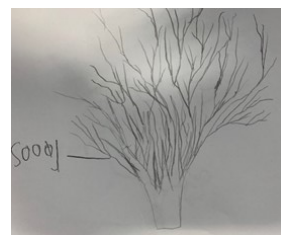
SCHOOL COUNCIL:

On Wednesday, Charlie, Sam and Cecily (the three Year 6 school councilors) took part in a Rother Valley council meeting with five other schools. We discussed mental and physical well-being problems that children might have experienced over lockdown. We talked about different ways schools are helping children during this time. Some schools thought of a happy box containing positive things instead of negative. Others suggested things like paper chains with all our names and strengths on it or creating a jigsaw with drawings on it. Do you like any of these things? If so please tell your class Councilor as there is a meeting on 26th May at lunch break. If you or your children have any ideas, please contact us as we are happy to hear your suggestions.—
Thank you from Charlie, Sam and Cecily (Y6)



KS1

Hedgehogs have been looking at plants this week. The children looked at different root systems and completed an observational drawing. We discussed what fruit and vegetables they grow at home and what vegetables are the root of the plant. To help us take a closer look at fruit and vegetables, we did some more observational drawing using shading.

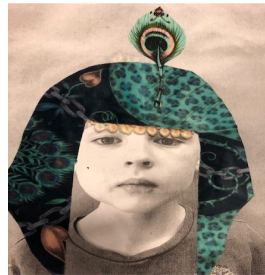


Squirrels have been busy this week in Science looking at the Habitats in our school grounds. We explored the field and tried to describe it as though we were estate agents, trying to sell the habitat to minibeasts. We also learnt that there are micro-habitats, for example a rotten tree with moss on is a micro-habitat within the forest. In RE we have been learning about the festival of Simchat Torah. We have learnt that the Torah is a very special book to the Jewish community. It takes one year to read the Torah scroll! We will be making our own Torahs to display and share with others.



We love learning about mini-beasts, they are more exciting than big animals because you have to really search for them!' (Squirrels Class)





KS2

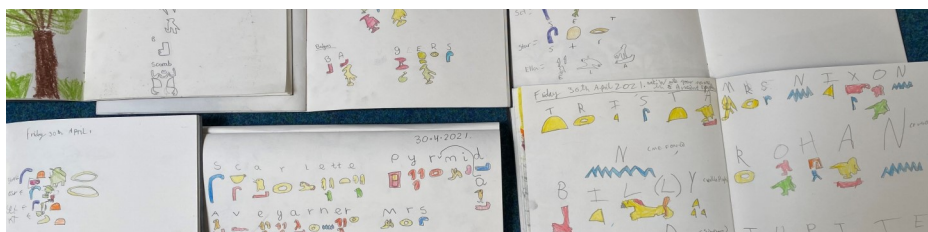
Rabbits 3D have been busy Buddy Reading again! We can't cross bubbles and read or listen to another class, so we are reading and listening to each other. It's a great way to help others with their reading and for us to experience new books. We really enjoyed it and can't wait to do it again.

Rabbits 3H have worked really hard on their Egyptian Headdresses and they look AMAZING! When they are finished we will share them on a Padlet. Thanks to Laura Jandac at The Upholsterer in Midhurst for giving us some truly beautiful fabric to work with.

Foxes have been extremely busy reading our mysterious book, 'The boy in the Tower' by Polly Ho-Yen, battling the wind in PE whilst playing stoolball and learning about the life cycle of a ladybird in science. English has been really exciting too because we had a snowball fight (scrunched up paper) to create couplets for our class poem - Mr Culley came to listen to our performance!

Otters Class had the challenging decision of choosing a new class reader book. We had 16 books to choose from which were some of Miss Glanville's favourites. Firstly, we investigated the books in the hall and had an opportunity to look at the covers and discuss them with our friends. Through the group stages, we lost many fantastic novels (RIP!) and we now have the grand final: "The Girl Who Stole an Elephant" vs "The Last Wild". Which will triumph?

In Badgers we have been creating Egyptian art with Mrs Nixon, drawing and colouring hieroglyphics and cartouches. Hieroglyphics are the Ancient Egyptian alphabet, pictures represent the letters, sounds and words. Ancient Egyptians were good at phonics!



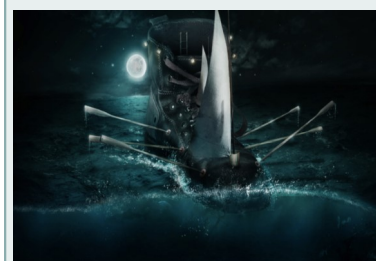
'The 'word' snowball fight was fun as they all flew in different directions' (Lillie-Mai Foxes Class)

TIGHT WRITE

This week, the staff were challenged to enter Tight Write #47 and there were ten entries. Year 6 pupils were then challenged to identify a first, second and third, announcing these in today's assembly. Miss Glanville's entry was placed third, Mrs Daley was second and Miss Lunskey was first with this lovely entry:

Wind stirs grass atop the hill,
For a moment, the world stands still...
One brave knight, lance in hand
Prepares to defend her sacred land.
As her foes draw ever nearer,
Her dread becomes ever clearer.
One last breath; clean sweet air
She cannot win if she does not dare.

Tight Write#48
Deadline Thursday 21st May



Have a great weekend,

Johnny Culley