

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 10 June 2022

A WORD FROM THE HEAD

It seems like an age ago that the circus came to town and we held **Sports Day** in the wonderful sunshine. With this newsletter, there is a page of some of the wonderful photos of Sports Day, taken by Chris Ison on the day – thank you, Chris! I hope that there will be a similar page of circus photos to follow, with next week's newsletter. For those of you who couldn't be there, the sports day results were a close run thing, with Blue Panthers winning with 171, the Red Arrows giving them a run for their money, only 4 points behind on 167.

Next week is **Community Week**, with wonderful support from the Cowdray Estate and other activities. On Friday, every child will be given a Jubilee t-shirt with one of the winning designs from the recent competition. All costs will be covered by the school, but donations will be welcomed. Badges with some of the designs that didn't win will also be on sale on Friday for 50p and after school there will be a chance to buy buns and individual small cakes. As in previous cake sales, there will be a competition for the best designed and for the tastiest cakes. The theme is Community so anything from St Mary's and Ukraine to the SDNP and Cowdray could feature. Cakes should be delivered to Reception in the school on the Friday. All funds raised will be donated to the Ukraine Sunflower Aid. We still badly need adults to accompany the off-site visits. If you are free on one or more mornings next week, **PLEASE** contact the school.

Whilst the Jubilee celebrations were going on, the war in Ukraine continued, uninterrupted, and it is hard to imagine how difficult life is for Ukrainians. With this in mind, you may remember the **Ukraine Sunflower Aid Shoebox Appeal** mentioned in the newsletter before half-term. The poster with information is attached again so that you can check what is needed. Please bring your shoeboxes in next week and we can build a wall of shoebox 'bricks' in Reception which can then be collected and delivered to Ukrainian orphans.

Have a great weekend, everybody!

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Derek is away at present so I took Thursday's collective worship in his place. Ahead of Community Week, we explored all the different communities we might belong to, from football fans to Rubik's Cube enthusiasts, including the Church, family, the school and the farming community. The children brainstormed how a good community member might be towards others. Suggestions included friendly, patient, helpful, kind, thoughtful, cheerful, non-judgmental, inclusive, calm and understanding. Somebody also pointed out that a good community member always listens to others. All qualities that Jesus modelled in his teachings and his own behaviour towards those around him.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

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| 13 JUNE | Community Week |
| 14 JUNE | Meeting for new Reception parents September 2022 at 6pm |
| 15 JUNE | Forest School Starts for Hedgehogs Class—4 Sessions Group B |
| 16 JUNE | Folk Event Bury—Year 5 |
| 17 JUNE | PTFA Sponsored Walk, Jog, Run |

KEY DATES:

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| 8 JULY | TOPS |
| | FOR |
| | TOMBOLA |

PTFA

WALK, JOG, RUN - 17 JUNE

The PTFA are pleased to confirm that Walk, Jog, Run is back and will be taking place on Friday, 17 June. All of the children have been sent home with a letter and a sponsorship form so that they can raise money for our forest school. We would ask that the sponsorship money is returned in the sealed envelope by the end of Monday, 20 June. All children who raise £10.00 or more will be entered into a special prize draw to win a book voucher!

Parents are very welcome to come and support their child from 1:45pm. Access will be through the back gates.

SUMMER FAIR- 17 JULY

This promises to be the best Summer Fair yet! Make sure you clear your diaries and bring the whole family along. It is a free event so come and enjoy the day from 11am to 2pm.

There will be LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, many stalls, games, food, a bar, ice cream, fire engine, goblin cars to ride around in, a raffle and much, much, more.

NEWS STORY

Over the Jubilee weekend, Luke's brother, Scott, a past pupil at Easebourne, was the 'town crier' at the Lodsworth celebrations. On Thursday, he had to read the proclamation at three different village events throughout the day, one of them being the lighting of the beacon. On Sunday, he had to read it again at the village street party before the blessing of the tree planted in honour of the Queen. Scott was also mentioned on BBC Radio Sussex as being probably the youngest town crier! Our congratulations to Scott for his key role in celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee!



NURSERY

The Nursery children have come back after having had a lovely half-term break to find their vegetable garden having "growned really big". We have potatoes, beans, spring onions, lettuce and "rubbishes" (radishes). The children helped harvest some of them which they tasted after we washed the "dirt off them". "One of the children said, "Um, I don't like them spicy radishes". We have lots of herbs and "flowers smell so nice" too. ..



Lego Challenge

Following the last Supercar Challenge, we have had a steady trickle of entries for the next Lego Challenge set by our Year 6 pupils, to build a treehouse! Our Year 6 judges have been busy deciding which criteria they want to use when they judge next week. They have decided that these will include Height, Strength, Style, Colour and Accessories.

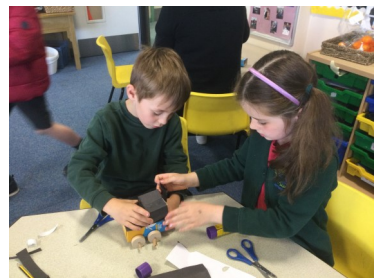
Meanwhile, the final Lego Challenge has been set by the Year 6 judges. This time, children are invited to create a ROCKET. The deadline for this competition will be Monday, 11th July.

EYFS AND KS1

Dragonflies - Just before half term, Dragonflies visited Midhurst Library. We were welcomed by the librarian who talked about the lovely selection of children's books they have there. The children listened to a story and also discussed their favourite books. They spent some time looking through the books in the reading nooks too!

Hedgehogs - It has been a very short week but we have packed a lot in and have lots more to look forward to this term! In Design Technology, the children looked carefully at London taxi photos and discussed their characteristics. They then had the task of designing a model London taxi with either fixed or moving axles. The children discussed their ideas and were encouraged to think about how they could change or improve the London taxi design. As a class, they chose and recorded at least three essential design criteria that all their taxis must have, such as two axles and four wheels, headlights, a roof, and seats for at least two passengers. The children designed and labelled their taxis and worked in pairs to create their designs using various materials.

Squirrels - Over the last couple of weeks, the children in Squirrels and Lego Club have shown a real interest in building treehouses for Mr Culley's competition. We have had all sorts of amazing and wonderful designs from castles with battlements to ones with swimming pools, helipads, rooftop gardens, rainbow staircases and everything in-between. It has been really fun to watch the children display such creativity and describe their models with such enthusiasm.



"You don't need to pay for the library cards." – Lukas

"My taxi has an axle to help it move at the same time and it has a chassis to hold everything up." - Ruby



KS2

Rabbits - There has been much excitement in Rabbits this week as we started to look at tomb builders in Design and Technology. This began with us researching different systems, specifically how machines work. Maths has been full of fractions, using the correct mathematical terms for the top and bottom of a fraction (numerator and denominator) while also stretching our knowledge of groupings and division. English has been exciting too; we have been applying all the skills we learnt when the circus visited to really immerse ourselves in our new text 'Leon and the Place Between'.

Badgers - 4D & 4H joined forces again this week, taking their first steps towards their exciting John Muir Award. We travelled to Iping Common, where we met representatives from the Sussex Wildlife Trust. The children took part in a heathland bug hunt using sweeper nets - several rare species were spotted! They also had a scavenger hunt, looking for animal stamps and identifying a variety of skulls and skins! In the afternoon, they built dens for animals (the fluffy toy kind) and bugs. It was a wonderful day and we are really grateful to the superstar adults that accompanied us.

Foxes - This week, Foxes have been extremely busy learning about ancient Greece. As part of our English lessons, we have explored the city states of Athens and Sparta. We compared the two cultures and decided which we would have preferred to have lived in. RE has been really exciting too, as we have started to explore the gospels. We found out that the gospels were a way of spreading 'good news'. We focused on the messages Jesus gave through his teaching such as the Sermon on the Mount. We even got to build houses on sand and mud to replicate the parable of the wise and foolish builders — it was so much fun!

Otters - Year 6 have come back this term absolutely raring to go! We started the week by tackling some long division. This was new learning for us and we persevered really well. In English, we have been working on our editing and redrafting skills by revisiting some older pieces of writing and improving them. It has been great to work together to find improvements and we are very proud of our finished pieces. On Thursday, we welcomed Mr Edwards from MRC who came to greet us, ready for September. He told us lots of information about secondary school and made us feel welcome and excited. It was good to be able to ask some questions and we are looking forward to our transition visit next month.

Goblin Update

On 28th May, the Saturday after the start of school half-term, most of our after school Goblin club met at Seaford College for a Goblin meet. The children were divided into two teams, each driving one of our Goblin cars, and every child had an opportunity to push/drive in one of the events.

Andy Taylor and Anthony Knight made sure that everything went as smoothly as possible and everyone had a great day. The school came away with the award for the best presented team. Well done, Team Easebourne!!!



"It was really fun! We had a long chat about the animals that live there like adder snakes and insects. We used sweeper nets to catch lots of bugs and I caught a rare pink grass hopper." - Sebbie



SHOE BOX APPEAL DELIVERED DIRECTLY TO ORPHANS OF UKRAINE

ACT NOW
MAKE A DIFFERENCE 🌟

*Guide on how to pack your personalised
Shoe Box.*



Step 1 -

Find a medium sized Shoe Box.

*If you haven't got one at home most Shoe Shops will have those or even your local Charity
Shops.*



Step 2 -

Fill your box.

See our Gift Suggestions below

Step 3 -

Personalise your Box.

Label your Box.

Boy or Girl and Age

Step 4 -

Close your Box with a elastic band and take it to your collection point.

The following are suggestions for what should be in each shoe-box:

Hygiene items: Brush / comb, toothbrush (with holder if possible), flannel, soap (& soap dish if possible).

School items: Drawing/writing/colouring pad, pencil case (containing at least: 4 pens, 4 pencils, 2 pencil sharpeners, rubber, ruler), colouring pens/pencils, solar calculators, stencil, crayons, glue stick, watercolour paint palette and brushes, play-dough.

Toys: Skipping rope, doll, teddy, jigsaw, ball, yo-yo, musical instrument, cars, snap cards (not playing cards), magnifying glass, travel games, E.C. Ludo, draughts, snakes & ladders, finger puppets, small craft sets / lego sets

Other items: Scarf/gloves/cap, sunglasses, hair items, Jewellery (bracelets, necklace, rings), wind up torch, sewing set (for older girls), stick deodorant, lip salve, drinks flask, small bag / purse



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The above list is not exhaustive, there are many other items that could also go in but NO liquids or breakable items and nothing that could be related to war.



SPORTS DAY



