

# 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 21st May 2021

## A WORD FROM THE HEAD

Can I kick off with two housekeeping reminders? Firstly could you ensure that your KS2 children have **pencil cases** complete with the items they need: 2 handwriting pens (for children with their pen licence), a green biro, 4 pencils, rubber, pencil sharpener, ruler, glue stick and 2 black whiteboard pens. Staff have also noticed that children are beginning to wear a variety of different coloured items for PE. Can I remind everyone that **PE kit** should be: house-coloured t-shirt, shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings, and a hoodie in green, grey, black or navy and trainers (preferably white or black).

As the children are spending more time outdoors, please be aware a member of staff was bitten by a tick yesterday, she had been on lunch duty on the field. If you or your child is bitten please read advice on the NHS website.

On a more positive note, it has been lovely to welcome our first returning **volunteers** back to school to support children with their reading and showing interest in their wellbeing.

After much deliberation and advice from County, we have decided to cancel the **school fete**, scheduled for 17th July. I know families may find this a disappointing decision, but it seems prudent, especially given the current concerns about the Indian variant. The PTFA are thinking about ways to capture some of the fun of the fete and raise a little money at the same time. I have attached a note from the PTFA regarding some forthcoming events, in particular, the **Break the Rules day next Friday**.

We received some exciting news about **Poetry By Heart** this week. Our school winner, Nellie Brierley, has been told that she is a National Finalist and has been invited up to the Globe Theatre in July to compete in the final. We wish her well.

Finally, the dates of our first two **INSET days** have been set for the next academic year; these will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Derek was delighted to welcome Badgers into church this week and they shared some special time together. This week he explained about Pentecost—a time when we remember how God sent the Holy Spirit down to the disciples. This took the form of flames on the disciples' heads and suddenly they

could do amazing things, like speaking in strange tongues. When he was ordained, in 1999, the Bishop placed his hands on Derek's head to impart the Holy Spirit, so that Derek could become a priest. Then we were all invited to think about what we wanted in the future and Derek said we could always ask for God's to help us achieve it.



## THE WEEK AHEAD:

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
02.09	First Day of Term
02.09 & 03.09	INSET DAYS

## T-SHIRT DESIGN COMPETITION



Earlier this year, Midhurst Arts Society made an extremely generous donation to the school. In addition to funding our art installation of 1000 origami peace cranes, we were also provided with the funds to purchase a heat transfer printer and enough white t-shirts to provide one for each child in the school. We asked the children to create their own t-shirt designs that would celebrate the end of lockdown, with a competition to declare a winner from each phase: YR/KS1, LKS2 & UKS2. These will then be

printed on to the t-shirts so that we can celebrate being together again soon. Thank you to everyone that took part, there were some fantastic entries and we have created a beautiful display of these in school.

The committee members of the Arts Society had the very difficult job of judging the entries last week, and we are delighted to announce the winners as follows:

**YR/KS1 - Harry, Dragonflies**

**LKS2 - Alfie, Rabbits H**

**UKS - Otters**

## NURSERY AND EYFS

Caterpillars have finished their own pictures. They loved mixing blue and yellow together and painting their little hands!

Ladybirds all made a tasty Gruffalo Crumble (well, maybe it was apple crumble?!) with lots of mixing of ingredients going on.

Bumble Bees have been filling their own treasure chests with objects.....but to get their treasure



ject felt like – “soft”, “bumpy”, “tickly”, “squishy”.

On Thursday, Derek the vicar came to visit Dragonflies Class, to teach us about God. He read the story of Noah's ark. We learnt that God sent a flood to clean the world and rid it of all things bad. After the story we went to look at the frieze to see if we could spot the rainbow.

*“God sent a flood for 40 days and 40 nights. Then he sent a rainbow to promise that he would never send a flood again.”*

*“He asked Noah, who was a good man and was not nasty to anyone, to build an ark to put the animals in.”*

*( Ted and George -Dragonflies Class)*

### A NOTE FROM EASEBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

#### Annual Village Meeting with the Parish Council

Easebourne Parish Council are to hold the Annual Village Meeting in The Roundhouse in Easebourne Park on Thursday 27 May from 5pm to 7pm. This is your chance to come and meet your local Parish Councillors and Clerk and talk to them about what matters to you about Easebourne Parish.

#### Friends of Easebourne Parish (FrEP)

FrEP has started work in the parish with a village litter pick last weekend. We have appointed bus shelter wardens charged with keeping the 7 village bus shelters clean and tidy. More tasks are planned in the future. We have wide membership from Easebourne and the King Edward VII Estate, but need a FrEP member from Henley Village. Any volunteers? Please contact Caroline at [frepec@btinternet.com](mailto:frepec@btinternet.com)

## KS1

### SCHOOL COUNCIL / RRS / ECO CLUB:

The Rights Respecting School Ambassadors (RRSA) are proud to announce the release of the brand new anti-bullying leaflet! Some hard work has gone into this and we have finally put it together. The leaflet contains: a slogan to show that Easebourne hates bullying, the 4 different types of bullying and what they involve, experiences from other people about what it felt like to be bullied and lots more. One copy will go up in every classroom so anyone can stop and take a read any time they want. Nobody wants to be bullied and if you have been, this leaflet might be able to help you. Thank you for reading.

Elijah, (Rights Respecting Schools Ambassadors Lead)

This week, Year 1 looked at trees. They did bark rubbings and used an identification sheet to try and work out which trees we have in school by looking at the leaves and the type of bark. They also tried to work out how old a tree was by counting the rings on a log and how tall the tree was by looking through their legs until they saw the top of the tree and then counting the steps back to the tree. One tree was 37 meters tall!



Squirrels have been busy writing and researching about their chosen minibeast ready to write their own information texts next week. This will mean that there will be a class 'Minibeast' book which we are all very excited about. We also experienced our first 'silent teacher' lesson in Maths. This proved to be challenging because Mrs Coates couldn't speak but we enjoyed watching what she was doing before we had our own turn at the task. We have been looking at the work of Piet Mondrian in Art this week and are working on producing 'Spider' Mondrian. Mrs Coates has been very impressed with our attitude to art and learning new, abstract styles.



*"The trees were rough and bumpy but one tree was really smooth."*  
(Edward—Hedgehogs Class)

**Easebourne Primary School Anti-Bullying Booklet**  
Produced by the Rights Respecting Schools Ambassadors

**Our slogan** (in some of our families' home languages)

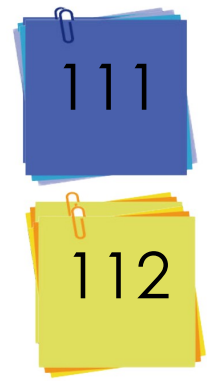
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To Easebourne ewepwyo, ðev eiwei ði gwepwyo

**Easebourne's united, not divided**

Easebourne est uni, pas divise  
Easebourne school: jest zjednoczona, nie podzielona  
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**Why we are against bullying**

- Bullying can make people feel small and lonely
- We don't want people to feel sad
- Bullying can hurt people's feelings
- We want everybody to be happy
- Bullies pick on others but they are the weak ones
- People should not be treated badly because they're different
- Bullying is wrong







## KS2

Rabbits (D) had a great time in P.E doing circuit training with Mrs Stevens. The class travelled around the hall in pairs taking part in a variety of different activities at 13 unique stations. They skipped, climbed, hopped, jumped and balanced to motivational music for 2 minutes at each station.

Alfie in Rabbits (H) "This week we are loving our writing, it's all about unicorns and we learnt how to include 'drop ins', which are also called relative clauses, in our work. Tula: "This is really amazing because that is Year 5 work and we all did it!" Zach's example is below.

Badgers enjoyed a visit to Easebourne Church on Tuesday. We listened to Derek teach us more about the Holy Trinity and the pictures and symbols of Jesus and the Holy Spirit around church. We asked Derek lots of questions....and he is still pondering some of them!

Foxes have been learning more about Buddhism in RE. Elizabeth brought in prayer beads and a statue of Buddha and explained the significance of these objects for Buddhists. In English, we have worked hard on mastering how to use relative clauses in our writing. Our work linked to unicorns has been really exciting, as we designed our own mythical creature!

Despite the blustery weather, Year 6 have been honing our bike riding skills this week. We went out in groups of 4 to have Bikeability lessons! First we started by learning Level 1 on the playground, before progressing to Level 2 on the roads. Even Mrs Pilcher had a go and improved her own skills.



*"It's excellent (PE) because we get to do exercise and we get to learn different skills like climbing" (Rosie—Rabbits (D) Class)*

### TIGHT WRITE

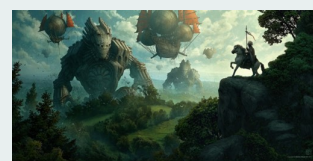
#### Tight Write #47

Last week, I told you about the winners from the staff entries to Tight Write #47.

There were three pupil winners – Igor, Alfie N and Zach. Here is Alfie's entry.

#### The Red Robots

There used to be a beautiful countryside until war broke out because the mechanical robots that protected us malfunctioned. Their eyes glowed red as they took over. The army only had flying gunships left since their other weapons had turned. It was like the end of the world.



Have a great weekend,

*Johnny Curley*