



# EASEBOURNE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020

## Dates for the next 2 weeks

<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Virtual Open Evening via Zoom for prospective parents of September 2021 Reception Intake	<b>6pm</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Virtual Open Evening via Zoom for prospective parents of September 2021 Reception Intake. Last day for returning flu forms.	<b>6pm</b>

## A Word from the Head

### Staff News

Many congratulations to Heidi and Lee Coates on the birth of their baby boy, Reggie, who was born on July 21<sup>st</sup> and weighed 7lb 6oz. My apologies for not including this wonderful news in the last newsletter. Today, we welcomed back Tanya Sykes who, as you will probably know, is currently still on maternity leave. Mrs Sykes will be teaching Badgers Class on Fridays until the end of term as part of her "keeping in touch days," in preparation for her return after Christmas. Finally, it is with regret that I have to announce that Tia Bedford will be leaving the school at Christmas. Mrs Bedford is leaving to take up a secondary maths teaching post and we wish her every success at her new school in 2021.

### COVID-19 Advice for Parents

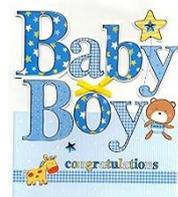
Public Health England have produced a COVID-19 information sheet for parents and carers which gives clear advice on what parents should do in each of the different scenarios that they might encounter. You should have received this as an email earlier in the week, and I do recommend that you read it and print it off so that you have it to refer to. Paper copies will be available at Reception if you are unable to print it off at home.

### Parent Consultation Meetings

Due to Covid-19, this term's parent meetings, where you are able to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher, will be via Zoom. Meetings will be held w/c 19<sup>th</sup> October, with the exception of Dragonflies Class whose parent meetings will be w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Next week, you will receive a link to your mobile phone or email address that will take you to our online booking system where you can select a convenient time that suits you. Each class has separate time slots available, therefore you will receive a link for each child. The class teacher will email you the Zoom link prior to the meetings. Appointments will last for 10 minutes and will need to finish promptly as the next parent will already be in the 'waiting room.' If parents are unable to make any of the appointment times available, they should contact the class teacher to schedule an additional virtual or telephone meeting.

If parents would like to talk with our SENDCo, Mrs Ralph, please email her at [senco@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:senco@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk) to book a telephone consultation.



**Public Health England COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

**DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO NURSERY/SCHOOL/COLLEGE IF THEY HAVE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS**  
Visit: [www.gov.uk/guidance/when-to-book-a-test-online](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/when-to-book-a-test-online) to book a test online, or call 119 if you don't have internet access

**YOU SHOULD BOOK A TEST FOR YOUR CHILD IF THEY HAVE ANY OF:**

- A HIGH TEMPERATURE:** This means they feel hot to touch or have a fever or have coughed up sputum in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH:** This means a coughing fit or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- A LOSS OF CHANGING TO THEIR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE:** This means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

**IF YOUR CHILD DOES NOT HAVE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 BUT HAS OTHER COLD-LIKE SYMPTOMS, SUCH AS A RUNNY NOSE OR SORE THROAT, THEY DO NOT NEED TO BE TESTED. THEY AND THE REST OF THEIR HOUSEHOLD DO NOT NEED TO SELF-ISOLATE UNLESS SOMEONE ELSE IN THE HOUSEHOLD HAS SYMPTOMS OR HAS TESTED POSITIVE. OR YOU HAVE OTHERS AT RISK OF CONTRACTING COVID-19. IF THEY ARE WELL ENOUGH TO DO SO.**

**WHAT TO DO IF...**

<b>YOUR CHILD HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO NURSERY/SCHOOL/COLLEGE</li> <li>Follow local guidance with isolation or quarantine arrangements</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT OTHER PEOPLE OR TRAVEL</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT HEALTHCARE SETTINGS UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY</li> </ul>	<b>YOUR CHILD TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO NURSERY/SCHOOL/COLLEGE</li> <li>Follow local guidance with isolation or quarantine arrangements</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT OTHER PEOPLE OR TRAVEL</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT HEALTHCARE SETTINGS UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY</li> </ul>	<b>SOMEONE IN YOUR CHILD'S HOUSEHOLD HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO NURSERY/SCHOOL/COLLEGE</li> <li>Follow local guidance with isolation or quarantine arrangements</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT OTHER PEOPLE OR TRAVEL</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT HEALTHCARE SETTINGS UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY</li> </ul>	<b>SOMEONE IN YOUR CHILD'S HOUSEHOLD TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO NURSERY/SCHOOL/COLLEGE</li> <li>Follow local guidance with isolation or quarantine arrangements</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT OTHER PEOPLE OR TRAVEL</li> <li>DO NOT VISIT HEALTHCARE SETTINGS UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY</li> </ul>
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**CONTACT TRACING HAS IDENTIFIED YOUR CHILD AS A CLOSE CONTACT**  

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- Follow local guidance with isolation or quarantine arrangements
- DO NOT VISIT OTHER PEOPLE OR TRAVEL
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**YOUR CHILD HAS TRAVELLED ABROAD AND HAS TO SELF-ISOLATE**  

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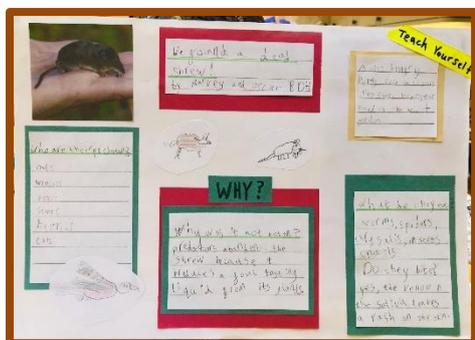
**IF YOUR CHILD HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A CLOSE CONTACT OF SOMEONE WHO HAS TRAVELLED ABROAD AND HAS TO SELF-ISOLATE, THEY MUST SELF-ISOLATE FOR 14 DAYS - EVEN IF THEY HAVE NO SYMPTOMS.**

For further information on COVID-19 in educational settings (including a guide for parents and carers) see: [www.gov.uk/guidance/when-to-book-a-test-online](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/when-to-book-a-test-online)

## TIGHT WRITE 36

Congratulations to Rebekah and Tiana (Year 3) and to Amelia, Elinor, Elizabeth, Ivy and Jessica (Y5) on their winning entries to Tight Write 35.

Meanwhile, the next Tight Write is now open, with entries needing to be handed in by Thursday, 15th October. Adult entries are also welcomed, though there are no prizes for adults, I'm afraid. You should receive the poster along with this newsletter so that you can look at it more closely and/or print it off at home.



### Teach Yourself

Following last week's newsletter, Oscar and Harvey set about 'teaching themselves' when they found a dead shrew. Having come up with some questions raised by their discovery, they did some research at home and put together a small project, inspired by their find. Well done, boys!

## TIGHT WRITE 36



Using no more than  
**50 WORDS**  
can you write about this image?

Named entries to Mr Culley  
by Thursday, 15th October at the latest

### Charity Hair Cut

After growing my hair for just over 2 years I have been able to donate 13" to the Little Princess Trust. The Trust makes wigs for children and young people that have lost their own hair through cancer treatment. It costs £550 for a wig to be made. I have currently raised £320 and would be very grateful if you could support my efforts by visiting my just giving page at - <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/liambennetthaircut>

### Poetry Competition

I'm delighted to announce that the poetry recitation competition will be running again this term. Children will need to be ready to recite their poems to the judges on Thursday 5th November. The poems will be sent out after the weekend, on Monday, 5th October, with more information.

### Flu Forms

These forms were sent home today. Please ensure they are returned by Friday, 15th October at the latest. A form should be returned for each child, **even if you are opting out**. There is a section on the form to accommodate this.

### Provision of milk for children over 5.

If your child is over 5 years old and would like milk at morning break, you can order milk directly from our supplier, Cool Milk. <https://www.coolmilk.com/>

### Half-Term Holiday Provision

Due to the current situation, our children are unable to access the usual Holiday Club. Therefore, our current wraparound provision team will offer a Holiday Club for the October half-term. This will run on Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th October. Please remember to book promptly.

Morning session 8.30-12.30 - £18  
Afternoon session 12.30-4.30 - £18  
Full day 8.30-4.30 - £36

Refreshments will be provided for children but those who are staying for a whole day will need to bring in a packed lunch. Children will also need to bring in a coat and wellies so they can enjoy time outside. Pick up and collection will be from the front Reception.

If you wish to book this facility, please do so using the link below:  
<https://forms.gle/uLmdTzytPGXyAxr36>

A payment request will then be issued through SchoolMoney.

If you have any queries, please feel free to email [wraparound@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:wraparound@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk)

## House Captains

Congratulations to our new House Captains for his academic year who have now been elected by their fellow house members in Otters Class.

Yellow House Captain – Freddie

Vice Captain - Teagan

Green House Captain – Ava

Vice Captain - Adam

Blue House Captain – Dara

Vice Captain - Cecily

Red House Captain – Alfie

Vice Captains – Nate and Arthur



## School Councillors

Congratulations to all our Councillors who were voted in by their class.

- Year 1 Miriam and Alfie W
- Year 2 Nora and Carlo
- Year 3H Tula and Alex
- Year 3D Amelie and Noah
- Year 4 Florence and Rhyllie
- Year 5 Elizabeth and Ruby
- Year 6 Cecily, Sam and Charlie H



All the School Councillors are excited about having the opportunity to make positive changes to the school.

## **Starting School Reception September 2021**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, they can start school in September 2021. From Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 to Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021, you can apply online on the pupil Admissions Application website at [www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions). For parents who do not have access to the internet at home, free access has been arranged at all libraries and Children and Family Centres within West Sussex. Once you have submitted your online application you will receive an automatic email acknowledgement confirming that your email has been received. Paper forms will only be issued to parents on request and need to be sent back to the Pupil Admissions Team by recorded delivery. Applications made after the closing date cannot be considered until all other applications have been dealt with. Online applicants will be notified which school their child has been offered by email during the day on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Other applicants will be sent a letter by second class post, posted on 16<sup>th</sup> April.

## **Open Evenings for Prospective Parents of September 2021 Reception Intake**

Due to COVID-19, Open Evenings this year will be virtual Zoom meetings. We have scheduled two meetings for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> October. Please contact the school on 01730 813266 for the link, a prospectus (although this can be accessed through our website should you wish to be paper free) and additional information. A virtual tour of the school will be shown at these meetings and will be available soon on the school's website. Please do tell anybody you know who might be interested in applying for a place at the school.



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## House Update

	Green	Yellow	Blue	Red
<b>Week 1 and 2 House Points</b>	4	3	2	1
<b>Week 3 House Points</b>	4	3	2	1
<b>Week 4 House Points</b>	3	3	4	1
<b>Total</b>	11	9	8	3

## EASEBOURNE PTFA NEWS

We are pleased to announce that we've organised a clothes, shoe & linen collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our school.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for Easebourne Primary School, **Bag2School** also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <http://uk.bag2school.com/> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more items, you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

**Bag2School** will be collecting at our school on Tuesday 10 November. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the drop off point on **Friday 6 November or Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November during school drop up and pick up times** and help us have a really good collection. The drop off point will be near the car park in the unused part of the school building and will be sign posted.



**In September you have managed to raise a total of £49.22** for the school via online shopping with Easyfundraising! A huge thanks to everyone who has signed up and are actively using it, a particularly big thanks to the individual parent whose contribution was £45 in a single online transaction when they signed up to Sky TV for the first time! So if you are about to make any sizeable purchases in the next few weeks or in the run up to Christmas, this example helps demonstrate the difference you could make. To give another example, another parent is helping raise 50p a week through their Sainsburys, weekly, online shop. So if you haven't yet signed to the site or just keep forgetting to shop via [www. easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) then the easiest thing to do would be to download the donation reminder app. If 100 parents raised just 50p a month through their shopping for example, that would be £50/month or £600 a year, just by clicking on an icon on your phone when you shop. Do remember, it is the retailer who donates, not you, so it costs you NOTHING.

Sorry if we sound like a stuck record, but we'd really love more parents and staff to use this app as it is by far the easiest way to raise money for school. So please, please, please sign up and remember to use it.

**Here's a little reminder on how it works**

**If you've already signed up, you could install this reminder app on your device by clicking on this link**

<https://bit.ly/31BFgpK>

**If you've not yet registered, then this short video explains how it works**

<https://youtu.be/Q9fPOZ6zm8I>

Many thanks for all you support.

**Ruth, Jo, Charlotte & Victoria**

