

# EASEBOURNE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

14<sup>th</sup> June 2019

## Dates for the next 2 weeks

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Happy Bag Collection	am
	Rother Valley Year 2 Little Big Sing at Fernhurst	am
Friday 21st June	Hedgehogs P Class to Winchester Science Centre Badgers Camp Out – Overnight. Pick up at 9.30am on Saturday	8.30-3.00
W/b Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Community Week	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Hedgehogs P Class to Winchester Science Centre	8.30-3.00
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Book Fair	3.15
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	First visit for new Reception children for September 2019	am or pm
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Rother Valley Rounders Tournament (school team)	am
	Badgers to sing at Birthday House Book Club	pm 3.15-4.15
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Summer Fair	1.00-4.00

## A Word from the Head

Observant parents (and children) may have noticed the new flag flying outside the school. This flag is the second in Roger Sked's flag quiz. Children simply need to do a bit of detective work to find the answers. Roger has extended the deadline for the first flag quiz and the question sheets for both quizzes are available from Reception. Roger has confirmed that there are prizes to be won!

#### **KS2 Stationery**

KS2 parents and carers will have received a letter this week by e-mail asking them to equip their children with a standard set of stationery. If I'm honest, this is a request I never thought I would be sending out to parents and will, I'm sure, cause some surprise and anger within our community. I would like you to know that this decision has not been taken lightly but I would reiterate that, along with all schools, we are currently under considerable financial pressure. If parents and carers are unable and/or unwilling to meet this cost, the school will ensure that each child does have stationery. To make this easier and more affordable, however, we aim to source reasonably priced stationery which will be available from the office before the end of term.

## **Potholes**

Thanks are due to Peter Bradley who has kindly worked to improve the potholes that were becoming q problem in the driveway to the school.

## **Summer Fair**

Our Summer Fair is on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 1pm - 4pm. We have a variety of outside stall holders coming this year and together with some new stall ideas from the school and Y6, it promises to be fun and entertaining for all the family.

We are still in need of volunteers to help run some stalls. The sign up list is in reception by the pre-loved uniform. If we don't have people to man these stalls we will not be able to run them. Please give an hour of your time if you can, it really does make a big different to our fundraising.

In an effort to reduce sugar and plastic prizes, we will be operating a token system this year. Game players are able to win 1, 2 or 3 tokens which they can collect and spend at the prize table. Stalls will

be priced at 25p - 50p with multi buys for  $\pounds 1$ . The bouncy castle will be  $\pounds 1.50$  for 5 minutes or an unlimited pass for  $\pounds 4$ . As we only have one bouncy castle this year we will be running age dependent sessions (toddler - 6yrs and 7yrs - 11yrs). Please remember that children remain the responsibility of their parents/carers for the duration of the event.

We will have a First Aid tent supplied and manned by Easebourne Scouts and this will also be where the Lost Children point as situated.

Parking for the event will include the teacher's car park and the main car park by the Easebourne play park. We will also be opening up the playground for parking. Please **DO NOT** park on the school driveway, roundabout, road down to the lower car park, along the wooden fence by the music room/old school building, on the double yellow lines or on the yellow cross-hatching. **These areas MUST be made accessible for emergency vehicles.** 

### Community Week (24th - 30th June)

A number of activities are planned for Community Week, including a visit to Midhurst Foodbank, cleaning of St Mary's Church, a visit from Hamza, a visit to Birthday House, dancing and bag packing at the Cowdray Café's 'Summer Tasting' and, of course, the Summer Fair. We are also hoping to build a prayer tree just outside the hall. Other activities, like Year 4's participation in the John Muir Award, students visiting as part of Seaford Community Action Day, a visit to Vine House and Year 5 and 6's visit to Wittering beach, couldn't be fitted into the actual week and are happening elsewhere in the term.

#### **Cowdray Farm Shop Raffle**

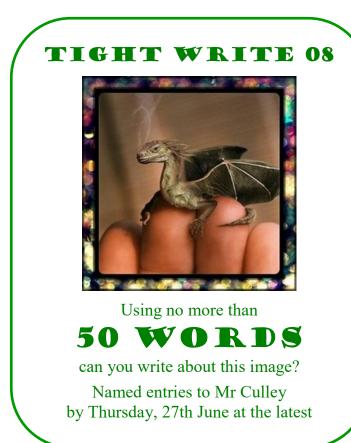
Buy a raffle ticket for  $\pounds 1$  and you could win a Cowdray Farm Shop hamper of goodies worth  $\pounds 100$ . Tickets are available from Reception and all proceeds go to the school. The winning ticket will be drawn on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

#### Book Fair and 'We are Writers'

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June in the school library from 3.15-4.15pm. Our school earns commission on every book we sell and the proceeds will help restock our library.

Alongside this, we will be taking orders for our very own 'We are Writers' book. This book is a compilation of writing from every child in the school. A copy costs £5.99 and generates 60% commission to be spent on books for our library.

## TIGHT WRITE 08



Congratulations to Kaydan, Billy G, Jem, Fabian, William and Rhys on their winning entries to the last Tight Write. Meanwhile, here is Tight Write 08 – a separate image will be attached to this e-mail for those families who would like to print it off.

# House Update

	Green	Yellow	Blue	Red
Total From Spring Term	271	296	288	272
Easter Reading Challenge	31	30	28	32
Week 1 House Points	1	4	4	2
Week 2 House Points	1	2	3	4
Week 3 House Points	4	4	2	2
Week 4 House Points	4	1	2	4
Week 5 House Points	3	4	1	2
Week 6 House Points	1	3	2	4
Week 7 House Points	1	3	3	4
Total	317	347	333	326

# **EASEBOURNE PTFA NEWS**

#### Walk, Jog, Run

We apologise for postponing WJR last Friday but with the Met Office putting out an amber alert for heavy rain with possible thunder and lightning, we had no choice but to reschedule. It did stop raining at the time of our scheduled event, but the field would have been too slippery. We have re-scheduled This event will now take on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 2.15pm, parents/carers to arrive from 1.50pm.

Please can we ask that any sponsorship forms and money be handed into the office no later than 3.30pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July. I will pop the helpers list back up in reception. If you are able to help on the day in any way please add your name to the list. We apologise once again for rescheduling WJR and any inconvenience it may have caused. Many thanks.

**Happy Bag Collection** - Thank you to Natalie Garnett who has arranged for your donations to be collected on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. If anyone is able to help for half an hour in the morning to move the bags, it would be greatly appreciated.

**Summer Fair** - as above, we are in need of volunteers to man stalls, set up and clear away on Saturday. Please help if you are able to.

RAFFLE TICKETS - please bring in money, stubs and unused tickets by 28<sup>th</sup> June. If you need more they can be collected from reception.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June - Pint Pot collection day. Please fill the plastic bags which were sent home last week with crayons, pens, pencils, erasers, stickers, sweets, notebooks etc. and return to school.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Donations for cakes and produce

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 3.15pm - helpers needed please to put up the two gazebos.

Saturday 29th June - Helpers from 10.30am to set up and from 4pm to take down

**O2 Roof Climb** - On Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June Mrs Sharp will be embarking on a quest to conquer her fear of heights. Thankfully, Mr Meaby, Mr Taylor and Mrs Payne have also kindly offered to be by her side to support her on her quest and to make sure she doesn't back out or roll off the roof! The team will all be climbing up and over the O2 Arena Millennium Dome roof at 12.30pm. They have kindly offered to do this to not only help Mrs Sharp concur her fear, but also to raise funds for the Easebourne PTFA. Please lend your support by donating via this link

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/easebourneprimary02?utm\_id=2&utm\_term=EX6QeP7B5

**Pop-Up Ice Cream Stall** - Unfortunately no one came forward to head this project up, so it will not be going ahead.

#### Dates for your Diary

- Summer Fair, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 1.00pm-4.00pm
- Re-scheduled Walk, Jog Run, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July (starts at 2.15pm, parents/carers can arrive from 1.50pm)
- Film Night, September (tbc)
- Fairies & Scaries, Friday 18th October
- Sponsored Ready, Steady, Read by Usborne Books, October half term
- Christmas Fair, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

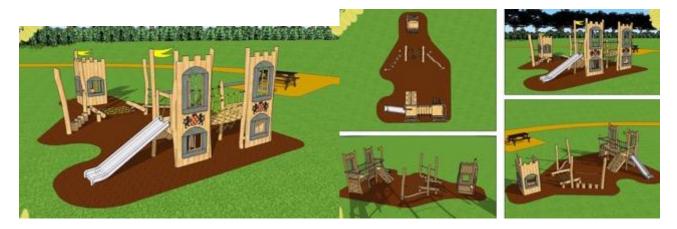
# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### Easebourne Park News



Following on from the January consultation and survey, several items mentioned by parishioners, have been accomplished. The pond has been fenced-in and following a successful crowdfunding exercise, the perimeter path has been resurfaced with Fittleworth stone by a local ground contractor, ACS, to produce a more buggy, bike and wheelchair-friendly surface. At the same time, picnic benches, manufactured from 100% recycled material, were installed, 50% of which are designed to allow

wheelchair access. After a lot of discussions with parishioners, a new toddler play area, modelled on Cowdray Ruins, will be installed by the start of the school holidays. This will be accomplished by the competitive winner, Playsafe Playgrounds of Midhurst. Additionally, a fully inclusive roundabout is to be fitted at the same time. We are delighted to say that this has been made possible by another generous grant made by the Boltini Trust to whom we are eternally grateful. Indeed, without various generous grants and support from West Sussex County Council, South Downs National Park Authority, Chichester District Council, Cowdray Estate, the Lottery Fund and many others, the Park would never have reached the stage it has.



**Watering the Park Trees**: the trees planted in the Park at the end of last year are struggling in this rather dry weather, despite councillors watering them once a week. We urgently seek volunteer support to assist us in the coming weeks and months to prevent the loss of many of out young trees. If you can spare a couple of hours in the afternoons or evening, please do let the Clerk know (parish clerk@easebourne.org). **Easebourne Park trees need you!** 

**Become an Easebourne Parish Councillor.** Would you like to become a Parish Councillor and join a very happy existing team of Easebourne residents? The Parish Council has achieved much over the past 2 years and is keen to recruit up to 2 more councillors to help continuing to make a difference to Easebourne Parish. Becoming a councillor is not an onerous task, but is a satisfying and fulfilling one. If interested, and you are an Easebourne resident of at least 2 years standing, please contact the Parish Clerk - we would love to hear from you. (parishclerk@easebourne.org or 07342 166 188)