



EASEBOURNE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

28th June, 2019

Dates for the next 2 weeks

Saturday 29th June	PTFA Summer Fair	1.00-4.00
Monday 1st July	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral	10.30
Wednesday 3rd July	MRC Transition Day for most Year 6 pupils, other classes go to new teacher and second visit for new reception children. Rabbits Class sing at Vine House	pm
Friday 5th July	Sports Day Reports Home to Parents Clubs Finish	1.00
Monday 8th July	Reserve Sports Meet the New Class Teacher Drop-In	9.00 3.30-5.00
Tuesday 9th July	Last swimming session for Badgers Class Matinee performance – Foxes and Offers	am 2.00
Wednesday 10th July	Evening performance – Foxes and Offers	6.00
Thursday 11th July	PTFA Walk, Jog, Run	pm

A Word from the Head

Staff Update

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Emma Parry, Steph Abbott and Samanta Echo. All three have dedicated their time at the school to providing support to individual children and they will be sorely missed. Emma Parry will move to take up a position at Midhurst Rother College, Steph Abbott is moving to be with her partner in Exeter and will be taking up a position at a school there and Samanta Echo will be focusing on building up her own child counselling business. On behalf of the children they have supported and their colleagues, I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all that they have contributed to Easebourne.

Community Week

Community Week has not quite finished but it has been very busy so far. On Monday, Chrissie Abbott took our assembly, talking to the children and answering questions about the Midhurst Foodbank.

On Tuesday morning, Sister Marguerita visited and led an assembly. Sister Marguerita, one of the Catholic nuns who taught at the Midhurst Convent, gave simple and powerful illustrations of how mean, thoughtless words could not be unsaid. She also spoke about how the advice that we should never judge a book by its cover applied to people every bit as much as to books. Sister Marguerita then spent time with Squirrels. After lunch, Hamza came in and talked to Badgers about Islam which they have been learning about as part of their curriculum. He answered questions and also visited Squirrels. Meanwhile, Rabbits were cleaning St Mary's Church with Alison and Roger, the churchwardens.

Alison wrote this:

A lady visited the church whilst the children were cleaning and looked somewhat surprised. Thinking she may be visiting the church for some peace and quiet time, I spoke to her to apologise and explain. Totally the opposite, she was delighted to see the children in church, having fun. She wrote in the visitors' book, "It was so funny and pleasant to see those children cleaning the church. Thanks a lot for this moment!"

Patricia (from France)

On Wednesday, it was Badgers' turn to clean the church.

Yesterday, groups of Year 6 pupils visited the foodbank to pack boxes for families in need over the summer holidays. Meanwhile, David Crook, recently the curate at St Mary's and school governor, returned to take our assembly. He talked about being brave when taking the next step in our journeys in life.

Today, Mrs Holloway, a parent and fellow teacher, came in and led a dodgeball session with all of Hedgehogs. Our thanks to her for her time and for leading a similar session with Foxes earlier in the term. We also welcomed Will Ashley-Norman, a sculptor in wire, who worked with some of Foxes Class on our prayer tree project whilst other members of the class took part in a rounders tournament in South Harting. Badgers Class sang and danced for the residents of Birthday House and next week Rabbits will do the same for the residents of Vine House. Meanwhile, some of Otters visited the Cowdray Farm Shop to find out about their initiative to cut down on single use plastic

With dancing and bag packing at Cowdray Café tomorrow morning, the summer fair in the afternoon and four of the staff walking the O2 Arena on Sunday, it will have been an eventful week!

Midhurst Foodbank

In advance of the children's visit, Mike and Chrissie Abbott sent this information about the foodbank.

Dear Parents,

I just wanted to remind you about the close working relationship the School has with Midhurst Foodbank Centre. For example, as part of Community Week, Year 6 children will be helping to pack Holiday Lunchboxes this Thursday at the Foodbank.

In addition, the School are (red) voucher holders for the Foodbank which means that any person or family in need can ask at the office, Mr Culley or me personally and in confidence to issue a voucher. This can then be exchanged for food at the Foodbank. It can also provide toiletries, pet food, and additional "non -standard" food items wherever possible, so there are real advantages to calling in to the Foodbank in person if these "extras" are also needed.

I should also remind all parents whose children receive free school meals during term-time, that the Foodbank also makes Lunchboxes available during the holidays, and the School will issue these additional vouchers.

The Foodbank is located at St Ann's Hall, St Ann's Hill (just behind Garton's coffee shop in the Market Square, Midhurst) and is open between 3.00pm- 5.00pm on Friday afternoons. They also provide a 24/7 mobile delivery service (tel. 07826-397732) for those who have vouchers but find it difficult to reach St Ann's Hall.

It is great to have this service from the Foodbank, which is run entirely by volunteers.

Best wishes,

Mike and Chrissie Abbott



Flag Competition

Congratulations to the winner of our first flag competition, Morgan. Morgan correctly answered the five questions.

1. St George, St Andrew and St Patrick are the three saints represented in the flag.
2. The flag is flown from public buildings on June 2nd (Coronation Day).
3. The flag's correct name is the Union Flag (Union Jack).
4. The thick white diagonal stripe should be on the top left.
5. It is flown on the Queen's birthday which is June 8th.

You can still enter Flag Competition 02 by collecting a question sheet from Reception and returning it filled in.

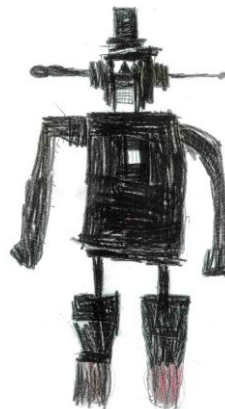
TIGHT WRITE 08/09

There were huge numbers of entries for the most recent Tight Write, especially since some teachers had looked at the picture and discussed it in class. Teachers also sent in their contributions and members of the Friday lunchtime Writing Club selected Mrs. Daley's as the one they liked most.

Congratulations to all 20 winners on their winning entries to the 08 Tight Write.

Meanwhile, here is Tight Write 09, a striking picture produced by Bailey in Squirrels as part of their Robots topic. This is the first picture by a child to be used and I hope it will be a popular one – a separate image will be attached to this e-mail for those families who would like to print it off.

TIGHT WRITE 09



Using no more than
50 WORDS
can you write about this image?
Named entries to Mr Culley

We Are Writers

Many thanks to those of you who have already ordered the latest 'We are Writers' Book. However, we need a minimum order of 50 copies for it to be viable to go to print and, at the moment, we are some distance from this target. If you are still keen to order a copy which costs £5.99, you will be able to do so at the fair or you must let the office know by 3.15pm on Wednesday 3rd July. A copy of the book is available for you to look through.

Transition Day

On Wednesday 3rd July, our Year 6 pupils transferring to MRC in September will be visiting their new school for the day and our new Reception intake will visit in the morning and stay for lunch. All other classes will spend the morning with their new teacher for September in their new classrooms.

On arrival, in the morning, please could all children go to their new classroom. Current Dragonflies Class will however be met by a teaching assistant from their class and escorted to their new classroom.

The staffing arrangements for next year are as follows:

CLASS	TEACHER(S)
Reception - Dragonflies	Mrs Catchpole
Year 1 - Hedgehogs	Mrs Clipston
Year 2 – Squirrels P Squirrels C	Mrs Parker-Phipps Mrs Coates
Year 3 - Rabbits	Miss Payne
Year 4 - Badgers	Mrs Nixon
Year 5 - Foxes	Mr Taylor
Year 6 - Otters	Mrs Bedford

Sport Day

Our Sports Day will be held on Friday 5th July, with reserve Sports Day being the following Monday. Parents and grandparents are invited to join us for the afternoon. The first race will start promptly at 1.00pm. Please make sure children come to school prepared, with sunscreen applied and a sunhat.

In the event of bad weather this event may be cancelled. All children will need to return to class at the end of Sports Day to collect their school report.

Reports and Open Evening

On Friday 5th July, you should receive home your child's report. We will be holding a "Meet Your New Class Teacher" drop-in session on Monday 8th July from 3.30-5.00 pm. This will give some of you the opportunity to put a face to a name, learn about the class dynamics and discuss any concerns.

Ofers and Foxes Perform 'Fleeced'

This term, Years 5 and 6 will be performing 'Fleeced' by Andrew Oxspring. Set sail with Jason and his intrepid, larger-than-life crew of Argonauts on their quest to find the Golden Fleece! There will be a matinee performance on Tuesday 9th July at 2pm and an evening performance on Wednesday 10th July at 6pm. As there are only two classes involved, we will not be issuing tickets but please be sensible with numbers attending. Performers should arrive for the evening performance no earlier than 5.30pm.

Clubs

Please note that clubs finish for this term on Friday 5th July. The new clubs list will be emailed to parents on Friday 5th July and, in the interest of fairness, no forms will be accepted until Monday morning. When the closing date for applications has been reached we will allocate all 1st choices where possible and then allocate 2nd choices etc. until a club reaches capacity.

Please note, for Cooking Club, priority will be given to those children who were on the waiting list this term **if they put the club as their first choice**.

If any parents, grandparents, volunteers, governors or friends of Easebourne would be able to run or assist with a club, please let the office know.

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
Half Term Reading Challenge	21	32	21	25
Week 8 House Points	2	2	3	4
Week 9 House Points	2	2	3	4
Total	342	383	360	359

EASEBOURNE PTFA NEWS

Summer Fair - is tomorrow 1pm - 4pm. We look forward to seeing you there. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to run stalls or help in any way. It is very much appreciated. We have a variety of outside stall holders coming this year and together with stalls from the school it promises to be fun and entertaining for all the family.

Please note that there will not be a BBQ at the fair as we were unable to get any volunteers to run it. However, we will have cakes, savouries, Strawberries & Cream an Indian food stall and an ice cream van.

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 £1. The bouncy castle will be £1.50 for 5 minutes or an unlimited pass for £4. As we only have one bouncy castle this year we will be running age 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 is also where the 'Lost Children' point is located.

Parking for the event will be the teachers' 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 and owners who leave their cars in these locations will be asked to move them.**

O2 Roof Climb

On Sunday, 30th June Mrs Sharp will be embarking on a quest to conquer her fear of heights. Thankfully, Mr Meaby, Mr Taylor and Mrs Payne have offered to join her and lend their support. 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 conquer 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

Walk Jog Run

Don't forget, Walk Jog Run is re-scheduled for next Thursday 11th July 2019. The aim is for the children to complete as many laps of a 350 metre course, in the school grounds, within 30 minutes. This can be achieved by either walking, jogging or running and is completely up to the individual, it is not a race, it is a fun way to raise money for Easebourne Primary School. The maximum time any child can spend taking part will be 30 minutes and all children will be able to stop at any point. Please let the office know if your child has a medical reason which means they cannot take part.

The Helpers List is back up in reception and if anyone can help on the day, please fill in the blanks. If we don't have enough helpers we will have to cancel this event. If any families out there have a pop up gazebo we could use on the day of the event please could you let us know. We are looking for 1 per class if possible. It is just in case hot weather is forecast and we would like to provide enough shade for all the children. Parents/Carers are more than welcome to come along, watch and support the children from 1.50pm, the event will start at 2.15pm.

Dates for your Diary

- * Summer Fair, Saturday 29th June 1.00pm-4.00pm
- * Film Night, Friday 20th September, 3.15pm-5.30pm
- * Fairies & Scaries, Friday 18th October 6.00pm-8.00pm
- * Sponsored Ready Steady Read by Usborne Books, October half term
- * Film Night, Friday 15th November, 3.15pm-5.30pm
- * Christmas Fair, Friday 29th November, 5.30pm-8.00pm

COMMUNITY NEWS

Easebourne Parish Questionnaire

Have a say in the future of YOUR village. Easebourne Parish Council has a team set up to create a document which will be used as a reference in any future developments in Easebourne. As you live in the parish and are the future of Easebourne we are keen that you are involved. The challenge is for you to create a drawing in which you share what you love about your village and what you don't like.

We are looking for something which is heartfelt and we will choose the winner based on the feelings expressed, not necessarily artistic skills.

The drawing will be used on the cover of the questionnaire which will go out to all residents asking for their ideas, and it will be included in the final document which will be around and in use for many years. So immortality beckons for the winner! Entries to be returned by Friday 5th July.



Early Days and Easebourne Owls Summer Holiday Club



*We will be running a holiday club on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
during the following weeks:*

w/c 22nd July

w/c 29th July

w/c 5th August

w/c 12th August

8.30am-4.30pm

Morning, afternoon or full day sessions available.

£16.00 per morning/afternoon, £32.00 per full day

For all day sessions, children will need a packed lunch (snacks & refreshments provided)

Children aged from 2-11 years

Prior booking is essential to guarantee your child's place

Please note if you wish to book your child into a breakfast club or after school provision this must be booked in advance in order to ensure we can adhere to the correct child/staff ratio.

Tel. 01730 815046

Email ect@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk

Early Years Childcare Practitioner

Early Days Nursery are advertising for a qualified Early Years Childcare Practitioner, from September 2019. The deadline for applications has been extended to 2nd July 2019. Please see the West Sussex Schools Web Site for further information and an application pack. Follow the link below -

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobs/school-jobs/>

or

Please contact Annie Beadle, Early Days Nursery Manager, for an application pack (Tel: 01730 815046 / e mail ect@easebourne.w-sussex.sch.uk)