

Easebourne CE Primary School



Dragonflies Class Newsletter

Summer 2025

Guided by FAITH, inspired by HOPE and united in LOVE

Our whole school value for this term is: **Love**

Message from Miss Barnes

Welcome to the last term of Dragonflies Class which will be filled with plenty of smiles and sunshine! We have so much to look forward to including a beach trip at the end of term. We also have lots of firsts including our first Sports Day, our first Colour Run, our first run of Forest School sessions and more!

Dragonflies Themes over the Summer Term:

Theme	Overview	Key Texts	Key Vocabulary
Transport (3 Weeks)	This theme is full of different vehicles as we look at lots of ways to explore the world from buses, to trains, to cars, to hot air balloons, to bikes!	<i>I Like Trains</i> by Daisy Hurst <i>Don't Let The Pigeon Drive the Bus</i> by Mo Willems <i>Mrs Armitage on Wheels</i> by Quentin Blake	handlebars, saddle, pedal, tyre, chain, spokes, gears, bus stop, driver, bell, timetable, single, return, double decker, carriage, track, platform, ticket, signal, station, passenger.
Dinosaurs (2 weeks)	Dinosaurs roam Dragonflies Class for 2 weeks before half term.	<i>Dinosaurs Love Underpants</i> by Claire Freedman <i>The Dinosaur Department Store</i> by Richard Merritt	extinct, fossil, herbivore, omnivore, carnivore, predator, prey, tyrannosaurus rex, triceratops, stegosaurus, diplodocus, pterosaur, ankylosaurus, council.
Once Upon a Time (2 weeks)	In this theme we enjoy some classic fairytales to help with our storytelling.	<i>The Three Billy Goats Gruff</i> <i>Jack and the Beanstalk</i>	'Once Upon a Time', 'Happily Ever After', small, medium, large, troll, bridge, horns, beanstalk, beans, climb, clouds, giant.
Treasure Island (3 weeks)	We focus on Pirates and the beach, including our trip for Pirate themed mini golf and fun at Littlehampton Beach!	<i>Pirate Pete</i> by Nick Sharratt <i>Tiddler</i> by Julia Donaldson <i>The Night Pirates</i> by Peter Harris	Captain, ship, island, treasure, map, compass, parrot, pirate, eyepatch, plank, rigging, crow's nest, deck, treasure, mermaid, float, sink.
Dragonhogs (2 weeks)	This theme enables our Dragonflies to evolve into Dragonhogs (half Dragonfly, half Hedgehog) as we prepare the children to transition to Hedgehogs in September.	<i>Hedgehogs' Home for Summer</i> by Elena Ulyeva <i>The Hug</i> by Eoin McLaughin	Goodbye 😞, Miss you already 😞, don't worry you'll still see us everyday when you're in Hedgehogs 😊, hug 😊

Our PE days are on: Mondays and Thursdays (this will change after half term with Forest School starting, but I will let you know closer to the time).

Trips planned for this term:		
Place: Littlehampton Beach for Mini Golf and fun on the seaside. Date: 9 th July 2025	Place: Forest School (I'll send more details closer to the time) Date: Every week after half term!	Place: St Mary's Church for the end of year service Date: 17 th July 2025

Home Learning

Tapestry – Please upload any interesting or unusual things your child has been doing at home which they can share with the class. We also love to see any learning related things – maybe your child chose to do some writing, or performed a song for you, or drew an amazing picture... we'd love to see!

Reading – To encourage reading for pleasure and support their progress we ask that children read as regularly as possible, ideally daily. This can be a book from home or something from school. Children will bring home their Phonics Book on a Friday, to be returned on a Monday. If you would like books at other times, please let me know and I'll pull them out of our shelves and pop in your child's book bag OR, head to the library where there are lots of phonics decodable books to borrow. I also send home a pack for practicing at the beginning of each half term – if you want another copy, or a copy of a resource I have not included, do let me know!