

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 01 July 2022

A WORD FROM THE HEAD

The annual Rotary Rother Valley Debate Competition took place yesterday. We had entered a Year 6 team, but when two schools dropped out on Monday, an unusual opportunity arose for two 'rapid response' Y5 teams to take part, so we actually took three teams of three children along. They all did very well and were a credit to the school. There were six debates, with twelve teams participating. In the end, one of our Y5 teams – Jessica (Captain), Miller and Scarlett) – came 3rd, arguing against the banning of dangerous sports, and our Y6 team – Elizabeth (Captain), Bea and Marcus – won overall, and by a convincing margin too. They were arguing that every 10-year-old should have a mobile phone. Congratulations also go to our other team of William (Captain), Ella and Kiara.

We have recently heard that we have achieved the Woodland Trust's Green Trees Schools Gold Award for our outdoor learning, inspiring pupils about trees, woods and wildlife. The target for next year will now be to achieve Platinum Award!



Parents and carers may remember that last year, as part of Community Week, Cowdray Estate employees spent a day on site, tackling a list of site issues for us. This year, the Estate has generously offered to do the same, but over two days in the summer holidays. Most of the jobs are dull, but necessary, and will go unnoticed by visitors, especially after the six-week break, but their generosity will save us premises costs and help us put more of our budget into supporting the children's learning. All of your children will therefore benefit and we are very grateful to Lord Cowdray and the Estate for this support

Have a great weekend,

Johnny Curley

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week, Derek told us the story of Jesus and Zacchaeus (who was a bad man who cheated people out of extra taxes). Jesus chose Zacchaeus out of everyone in the huge crowd, to have dinner with and he promised to change his ways and pay back all of the people he had cheated. We reflected on the fact that we all need to be loved and forgiven.



THE WEEK AHEAD:

04.07.22	Foxes and Otters Matinee Performance
05.07.22	Foxes and Otters Evening Performance
06.07.22	Transition Day Second visit for new Reception children
08.07.22	PTFA Tops for Tombola (Non Uniform) Badgers to South Pond Reports sent home
10.07.22	Goblins at Goodwood

KEY DATES:

12.07.22	Clubs Finish
21.07.22	Last Day of Term

YEAR 4 SLEEP OVER



On Friday, Year 4 stayed over after school for a camp out sleepover. The first thing we did was set up our beds, then we went outside to play some games. We voted on which movie to watch, some people voted for the Bee Movie and others voted for Despicable Me. We had Pizza for dinner. The ice cream van came and we all got an ice cream ticket to get ice cream! We also had hot chocolate with marshmallows. Afterwards we got to finish our

films and then it was time to snuggle down and go to bed.

In the morning we played two more observation games. We had apple or orange juice and toast for breakfast—Written by Poppy, Rosie and Mia

"I personally liked it when we played an observation game"
- Rosie.

PTFA Tops For Tombola Alert

Next **Friday, 8th July**, at the morning drop off, tables will be outside the school Reception for your wonderful donations for the Summer Fair, and in return your children get to have a Non School Uniform Day.

The generous donations we are kindly asking for are:

- 1) Bottle of alcohol or non-alcoholic alternative
- 2) Small bag of lego
- 3) A selection of 2ps and 1ps
- 4) A teddy

Thank you

A massive THANK YOU from the PTFA for your donations -only **2 weeks** until the actual **Summer Fair**, how exciting!

NURSERY AND EYFS

Nursery - This week, the children have been visiting their new classrooms – Caterpillars to Ladybirds and Ladybirds to Bumble Bees! They've been making their own bugs to hang up in the classroom. Bumble Bees visited Alice Holt Forest to walk the Superworm Trail. They all had a great time and enjoyed their picnic lunch and the minibus drive! Mrs Krzanik has visited from Dragonflies, to read a group story too.



Dragonflies - We are so excited in Dragonflies, our caterpillars are in their cocoons! We have been learning all about the stages in a caterpillar's life, and even tried to wriggle like them in PE. We have watched them change and grow, and we can't wait to see them as beautiful butterflies!

"Last week they were caterpillars and then they made a home called a cocoon and then they turn into butterflies and suck nectar"
Charlie C

CHEERLEADING

This week Coco and Gabby (former pupil) treated 4D to a special PE lesson where they taught the class a cheerleading routine!



Coco will be going to Bournemouth this weekend to compete at the Nationals Cheer Competition. This is the last one of the season and this week is the last training sessions with her current team. There is no time to relax though, she will be back into a private training session on Monday evening and then 3 weeks of full on try-outs to establish which team she will be put into for the 2022-2023 season which starts on 1st August.

Good luck Coco!!!

LIBRARY UPDATE

Children have begun to borrow books from two new sections in the library. Mia's Dyslexic Library, set up as a result of Mia's fantastic fundraising, has books with a range of features that make them user-friendly particularly for children with dyslexic traits, but also for other children. The second, our No Outsiders Library, features characters or storylines that follow individuals in society who are vulnerable to being excluded

KS1

Hedgehogs - This week Hedgehogs had 'The best day ever!' We went to the Weald and Downland Museum and spent the day in the sun walking around the site. We took part in a 'Childhood' workshop that involved visiting various historical houses. We found out that some families had up to 8 children and that the 8 children slept in 2 beds! We also found out that the school house was very small and not all children were allowed to attend. In another house, we found out that the toilet was open and dropped into the garden below! We ended the workshop by playing with some Victorian toys, including stilts. We walked around the wooded area, starting at a workshop where we learnt how to make linen. We carried on past the horses, stopping at various interesting spots, before returning back to the lake where we had lunch before feeding the ducks and drawing some of the buildings and finally heading home.

Squirrels - Squirrels have combined their recent computing lessons with maths and also PE. Our project has been about robots and how to make them move. We used lots of mathematical vocabulary such as left and right, forwards and backwards, clockwise and anti-clockwise and quarter and half turns. In our PE lesson we became human robots and directed our friends around an assault course. We also programmed the Beebots and guided them around courses that we had designed.



KS2

Rabbits - This week we have thoroughly enjoyed creating a new page for our book 'Leon and the Place Between'. We have looked really carefully at the style of the writing in the text to create our own pages and this has also included some research into new or different acts for a circus. We have also been able to create illustrations in the style of the text to accompany our writing and these are something we are very proud of. In Maths, we have been looking at fractions and comparing fractions which we have found particularly tricky, as fractions of shapes don't always look the same. A team of children had also been selected to play in a football tournament against other Rother Valley schools which was exciting and we hope to bring you good news of that next week!

Badgers 4D - The class have been exploring animal patterns and textures this week in Art & Design. They have started by drawing their own stylised version of a peacock feather, with a view to creating a lino print - we have been VERY carefully cutting out our designs!! Next, we looked at the patterns on butterfly wings and created our own design which we transferred into a pipe-cleaner printing block. Finally, we have been making our last printing block by exploring different animal textures and patterns (from reptilian scales to exotic fur and feathers). We are very excited to see the final results.

Badgers 4H - This week we have been learning about art! We learnt about printing and experimenting with different materials that go well together. I hated how mine looked but looking at everyone else's kind of inspired me to make something different. Written by Alex

Foxes - This week, we have been extremely busy learning our lines and rehearsing for the play, we are very excited to show the school next! Between all the costume changes and singing, we have been writing balanced arguments linked to ancient Greece. As a class, we agreed that most people would have wanted to live in Athens, if we had been alive back then. In PE, we have become masters of Stoolball. We even managed to beat Yr6 in a match!

Otters - This week in Otters, the class have been working really hard on their performance for next week - not long to go! The children have been practising their lines and songs diligently and they are getting very excited at the prospect of performing "Shakespeare Rocks" to you. In class, they have worked collaboratively to solve mathematical escape room mysteries and have been enjoying Rounders in PE. They also put their drama skills to good use in History when learning about ancient China.



"This week we have been printing in art. I really liked experimenting with the different materials." Tula

YEAR 4 SLEEP OVER

