



EASEBOURNE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

1st July 2016

Dates for the next two weeks

Tuesday 5 th July	Offers and Foxes Performance - Matinee	1.15pm
Wednesday 6 th July	Offers and Foxes Performance - Evening	6.00pm
Friday 8 th July	Badgers Camp Out Reports Home to Parents	3.15pm – 8.00am
Monday 11 th July	Open Evening	3.30-5.30pm
Thursday 14 th July	Sports Day	1.00-3.00pm
Friday 15 th July	Reserve Sports Day	1.00-3.00pm

A Word from the Head

Summer Fair Thank You

Amazingly the weather held and the PTFA and church, through all their hard work, managed to run an amazingly successful fair. My thanks to you all and to everyone who attended.

Open Evening - Monday, 11th July

Parents are invited to join us for a glass of wine or fruit juice on the evening of Monday, 11th July.

You should receive your child's report at the end of next week and you will notice that the format has been radically changed. Our intention is to give a more individual overview of your child and an accurate picture of their personal and academic progress. We will be very interested to hear your feedback and to look ahead to discuss next year's targets with you and your child.

As well as the classrooms, the new look Science Lab & Art Studio will also be open for viewing. You will be able to see some of the children's work and many of the resources that the PTFA's fundraising has enabled us to buy. And did I mention that there will be a glass of wine or fruit juice? See you there, I hope.

Pick Up and Drop Off

We have had a few occasions where parents have not let the school know in advance that their child is being picked up by someone other than their parent(s). For Reception children please let Mrs Catchpole know when you drop off in the morning if usual arrangements differ. For those who drop off at the rear entrance please let Mrs Pimm know or alternatively ring the office. We understand that sometimes plans change at the last minute but please if possible let us know before 3.00pm.

A gentle reminder that at morning drop off the front entrance to the school should only be used by children who walk to school on their own, arrive on the school bus or are dropped off by parents using the drop off zone. All other children should use the rear entrance.

Inset Days

We have set the first three INSET days for the coming year: 5th September, 6th September and 21st October. We will advise parents of the further two dates, in 2017, when they have been decided.

Parent View

As you probably know, the school is due an inspection from Ofsted in the near future. Part of the process is for the headteacher to notify parents about the inspection and invite them to complete Parent View. Inspectors will then review the evidence from Parent View during the inspection and it will inform their overall judgement about the effectiveness of the school. The opportunity to use Parent View is always there; parents simply register with a password, verify their e-mail address and accept the terms of use. As the notice schools have of an inspection is minimal and many parents miss the opportunity to contribute their views, we have taken advantage of Ofsted's system of creating guest accounts to



encourage parents to complete the survey. As a parent/carer, you have therefore been allocated a guest log-in and password. To make life easier, these details will be available at the parent evening and will remove the pressure of logging on to Parent View during our inspection. Please consider this option as active participation from parents is a key element of a good school.

Jags ebooks AR BL 2.1-2.7

Parents might be interested to know that there are 12 ebook titles on the school's Moodle. The 12-part series (ranging from Accelerated Reader book level 2.1 to 2.7) are ideal for weaker KS2 readers, having a high interest level but low reading level and all follow the story of a junior football team. The books are available in the library but reading them on Kindle, PC or ipads might make a refreshing change. If you are interested, please visit the school Moodle and follow Curriculum then Literacy.

Clubs

Please note that clubs have now finished for this term. If any parents, grandparents, volunteers, governors or friends of Easebourne would be able to either run or assist with a club, please let the office know. The new clubs list will be e-mailed to parents on Friday 15th July and in the interest of fairness no forms will be accepted until Monday morning.

End of Term Performance

Year 5 and 6 will be performing 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' on Tuesday 5th July at 1.15pm and Wednesday 6th July at 6.00pm. If you have not already done so, please send back your ticket requirements. Performers should arrive between 5.15pm and 5.30pm for the evening performance in order to get ready.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day will be held on Thursday 14th July. Parents and grandparents are invited to join us for the afternoon, the first race will begin promptly at 1.00 p.m. Parents should arrive from 12.45 p.m. Please have sunscreen applied at home if the weather is fine and bring in a hat. If it is raining this event may be cancelled.

Leavers' Assembly and Barbecue

Thursday 21st July is Leavers' Day. Year 6 parents are invited to the Leavers Assembly at 2.00pm, where the children will be presented with a Yearbook. Thank you to the PTFA for funding this and to Ginny Burnell-Budd, Emma Sharp and Sharon Bennington for compiling it. Traditionally Year 6 end their primary school days at Easebourne with a Leavers' Barbecue and games. At 6.00pm parents and siblings of Year 6 are invited to come and join in the fun. Otters Class would also like to thank Nina Lambkin for organising the Leavers hoodies.

Chartwells Meals and Cool Milk

Please remember when ordering milk or lunches for September to adjust your child's class name and year group.

Children currently in Year 2 moving up to year 3 in September will no longer be eligible for Universal Infant Free School meals but can order a hot meal for £2.25 per day from Chartwells. Please log onto www.mealselector.co.uk for more information or speak to the office. Parents of children currently in Reception and Year 1 will receive a letter before the end of term giving them the option to opt out of Universal Infant free School meals for September. Parents in receipt of state benefits which give entitlement to free school meals should still register with the office as this provides access to other funding to support pupils learning etc.

Music Lessons

In September we will be offering music lessons in woodwind, brass, strings, piano, ukulele, drums and guitar. If you are interested in your child having lessons please speak to the office for more details.

Guitar is offered by Jamie West who you can contact on jwest73@me.com. Drums are taught by Steve Thornley, for more information look at drumnut.co.uk. We also offer an after school Ukulele Club taught by Marco Frankland. For all other lessons contact the West Sussex Music Service.

EU Debate

Last week, on the day of the referendum, we held our own EU debate. We heard from a number of children from Foxes (Geraint, Ewan, Alfie, Abi, Amelia, Harry, Will, Bradley, Tharshigan, Phoebe and Kelcie) and were able to question them and explore their arguments. At the end of the debate, the children in Key Stage 2 and the teachers filled in a ballot paper and dropped it into the ballot box. The result was 57 REMAIN vs 45 LEAVE.

Before the debate, it felt like my heart was in my mouth thinking about taking part, but when I did get a chance to speak, I was very relieved and happy I had taken part. It was great to know that the debate had ended up with the vote saying we were staying in the EU. I feel like I'm a strong debater so I would do this again. By Ewan, Foxes Class

Before the debate I was terrified of standing in front of the whole of KS2 and speaking but once I started to talk I felt really good and proud that I had done it. I would definitely take part in a debate again. By Amelia, Foxes Class



Offers Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral

On 20th June Offers class went to Chichester Cathedral for a Leavers' Service to celebrate their time in primary school. All schools had an important part to play and we were the choir. Derek was also running the service and made the whole cathedral do a Mexican wave to help us understand the bridge between primary and secondary school. It was a lovely service and great fun! By Abbie, Offers Class



Easebourne V Midhurst Football Match

On 29th June we played a thrilling game of Football against Midhurst Primary on Easebourne's pitch. It was a game of many goals with the final score being 4-1 to Midhurst. Everyone played well but Midhurst were the better team on the day. By Miles, Offers Class

Summer Reading Scheme



On Wednesday 13th July the children will be having an assembly to promote the Summer Reading Challenge. This year's theme is The Big Friendly Read and will launch in all libraries on Saturday 16th July 2016. Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there's a certificate for everyone who completes the Challenge.

House Update

	Blue	Green	Red	Yellow
Total Last Term	78	83	77	101
Charity Term	10	2	7	5
Sumdog House Competition	4	1	4	2
Week 1 House Points	2	4	1	3
Week 2 House Points	3	4	2	1
Reading Challenge	3	2	1	4
Library Book Character Competition	4	8	6	2
Week 3 House Points	2	4	1	3
Week 4 House Points	1	4	2	4
Week 5 House Points	3	2	2	4
Week 6 House Points	4	2	1	3
Week 7 House Points	3	4	1	2
Week 8 House Points	4	3	2	1
Week 9 House Points	4	2	3	1
Week 10 House Points	3	3	1	4
Week 11 House Points	4	4	2	1
Total	132	132	113	141

EASEBOURNE PTFA NEWS

Thank you to Roger Sked, Tina Lichfield, Clare Allen, Sophie Granlund, Zoe Irvine, Hannah Miller, Vicki Curwood, Sheila Cooper and all the volunteers on the day who helped make the Summer Fair such a huge success. The fair raised an amazing £3965.37. The PTFA would also like to thank The Badgers Pub in Petworth who ran the barbecue having also donated the meat. A big thank you to mother nature for keeping the rain away!!

The money raised from Walk, Jog, Run has been allocated to the Science, Art and Language Room which are currently being transformed which can be viewed on Open Evening on Monday.

The next PTFA meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th July 2016 at 7.30pm, everyone is welcome to come along and share their ideas, so we can continue supporting and enhancing our children's learning environment. We will be discussing events for the winter term and need additional help to run events. If you can contribute in anyway please join us.



Early Days and Easebourne Owls



Summer at Easebourne Owls Holiday Club

We will be running a holiday club on

Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th July

Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th August

Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th August

Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th August

Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th August

8.30am-4.30pm

£14.00 per am/pm session or £28 per child, per day.

Children aged from 2-10 years

Prior booking is essential to guarantee your child's place

Tel. 01730 815046

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

Nursery Timings

As you are all aware, the start of the School day has changed and it is requested, but not compulsory, that children are in class between 8.40-8.50am. Reception Class children start their day at 8.50am and the Early Years entrance is open from then. Nursery staff then take over just before the Nursery opening time of 9.00am. The Nursery appreciates that these timings may not be ideal for children across the School and Nursery provision. However, a Before-School Club is offered, at a cost, for all School and Nursery children which is open from 8.00am. Children attending Before-School Club are then taken to their respective classrooms to be signed in by teachers, this transition takes place at 8.50am and is managed by Nursery staff. The opening hours of the Nursery (9.00am-3.00pm) are such that sessions of 3 hour blocks are offered to fall in line with the Free Entitlement funding. Hours outside of these blocks are in addition and will be charged for. Should the demand be feasible, we may consider a half hour session at Before-School Club but this would be chargeable and need to be staffed in order to maintain age appropriate ratios for children in our care. Your comments, to either Johnny Culley (School) or Annie Beadle (Nursery), are welcomed.