



EASEBOURNE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

20th September, 2019

Dates for the next 2 weeks

Wednesday 25th September	Year 6 MRC Experience Day	9.30-2.00
Monday 30th September	Grandparents' Tea Party – KS1	2.00-3.00
Wednesday 2nd October	SENDCo Drop In – Please note this has been postponed until Wednesday 9th October	8.30-9.30
Friday 4th October	Squirrels C Class to Marwell Zoo	8.50-3.00

A Word from the Head

It's the end of Week 3 and it's been a busy few weeks. Last week, Years 5 and 6 had their residential on the Isle of Wight. When I visited them on the Thursday, they looked so happy and were clearly having a great time. The comments from the site staff were very complimentary, as shown by one PGL member of staff who said, "The pupils from Easebourne school are a joy to work with they are so well behaved and respectful they are one of the best groups I have ever worked with." Well done, Foxes and Otters, and my thanks to the team of adults who supported them so well and gave up so much of their spare time – Andy Taylor, Tia Bedford, Louise Ashcroft, Sue Cobbold, Robyn Davidson and Kay Taylor.

More recently, Foxes have had their first Playtime workshop, following a visit and initial workshop at Chichester Festival Theatre. This is a very exciting initiative for the class. Otters have started their forest school sessions and other classes are well into their topics and planning visits of their own.

Heavy Horses

We are very fortunate to be having some Canadian Belgian heavy horses visiting the school on Tuesday, 1st October. This has been generously organised for us by Jumbo Lovatt and the classes will have a half-hour session, learning about these huge beasts.

We are aware that some children are sensitive to animal hair. If you would like your child withdrawn from this session or if you are happy for them to attend the talk but would like them to be kept at a greater distance from the horses, please would you send a note into the office to this effect. All children will be supervised after the event to ensure they wash their hands.

If you are happy for your child to take part in this experience but you would need to administer a dose of antihistamine before school, please ensure that the office is aware that this medication has been dispensed. Thank you.

TIGHT WRITE 13

With the frenzy of the first few weeks and having put three Tight Writes in the summer booklets, some entries have still been coming in this week. As a result, winners will be decided this weekend and the deadline for the 13th Tight Write has been extended to next Thursday, 26th September. A selection of Tight Write winners will be displayed in the school this year.



Summer Activity Journals

We had a great response to the summer activity journals. The journals themselves now form a display in the library. There were also some lovely prayers which have started to decorate the prayer tree built with the children last year. These are being used in assemblies, read by their authors. Winners of the Space Chase A-Z will also be announced next week.

PTFA Meeting

There will be a PTFA meeting on Wednesday, 25th September at 7.30. The PTFA do an amazing job and our children are the beneficiaries. It stands to reason that the more active volunteers the PTFA has, the more that can be achieved for the school and for your child. I would encourage as many parents as possible to come to this, the first meeting of the year. There is always a warm welcome and there is generally a free glass of wine. Coming to the meeting does **not** commit you to helping with every PTFA event from here until the day your last child leaves for secondary school; it simply gives you the opportunity to show interest, contribute ideas and see if there is something in the PTFA calendar you could support.

Roof Work

Repairs to our extensive flat roof (possibly the largest in the Midhurst area?!) continue. It is possible that this work may cause unavoidable disruption to clubs but will try to ensure that parents are forewarned.

KS1 Grandparents' Tea Party

The Grandparents' Tea Party is on Monday 30th September at 2pm in the school hall. We have invited Grandparents to come along to talk to our pupils about their experiences of school and stories from when they were young. This session will form part of our history learning and will enable our pupils to learn from first hand experiences, as well as enhance their speaking and listening skills.

All grandparents are welcome.

Change of Date – SENDCo Drop-In

Please note a change of date for the SENDCo drop in morning which will now be on Wednesday 9th October. Mrs Cafferty, our SENDCo will be available from 8.30-9.30 to discuss any SEND concerns or questions you may have.

Contact Details, Educational Visit Forms, and Pick Up Permissions

You should have received these forms two weeks ago, they were sent home in a large brown envelope. We are still waiting for the last few to be returned to school. It is important to update information on an annual basis in order that in an emergency our records are up to date. If you have not already done so, please return any paperwork on Monday.

Club Payments

We have a few outstanding payments due. Can we kindly ask you to settle outstanding fees next week? Thank you.

Flu Form

These forms went out earlier in the week. Please ensure they are returned by Wednesday 25th September. A form should be returned for each child, even if you are opting out. There is a section on the form to accommodate this.

Scholastic Book Club

This month's Scholastic Book Club is up and running and your child should bring home the latest catalogue today. For every £1 you spend on books, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic rewards. The deadline for orders is Friday 11th October.

Provision of milk for children over 5

If your child is over 5 and would like milk at morning break, you can order milk directly from our supplier, Cool Milk. <https://www.coolmilk.com/>

Children over 5 who are eligible for means-tested Free School Meals (not UIFSM) receive milk with their lunch and are entitled to a free small carton of milk each day. If you are eligible and would like your child to receive this milk, please contact the school office and we can order this for you.

House Captains

Congratulations to our new House Captains who have now been elected by their fellow house members in Otters Class.

Yellow House – Ellie and Jacob

Green House – William and Ryan

Blue House – Martha and Rufus

Red House – Phebe and Rhys



School Councillors

Congratulations to all our Councillors who were voted in by their class.

- Luke and Bella – Year 1
- Finley and Bella – Year 2P
- Henry and Coco – Year 2C
- Miller and Alisha – Year 3
- Ollie and Dulcie – Year 4
- Nate and Harriet – Year 5
- Nick, Rhys and Chloe – Year 6

All the School Councillors were excited about having the opportunity to make positive changes to the school.



Starting School Reception September 2020

If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 they can start school in September 2020. From Monday 7th October 2019 to Wednesday 15th January 2020, you can apply online on the pupil Admissions Application website at www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions. Once you have submitted your online application you will receive an automatic email acknowledgement confirming that your email has been received. Free internet access to apply online is available at all West Sussex libraries and Children and Family Centres for parents who do not have access to a computer. Paper forms will only be issued to parents on request by phoning 0333 0142903 and forms need to be sent back to the Pupil Admissions Team by recorded delivery. Applications made after the closing date cannot be considered until all other applications have been dealt with. Online applicants will be notified which school their child has been offered by email during the day of Thursday 16th April 2020. Other applicants will be sent a letter by second class post, posted on 16th April.

Easebourne Primary School

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 9th October 2019

6pm — 7pm

**For parents of children
starting school in
September 2020**

**Meet the Head and teachers
and take a tour of the school**

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House Update

	Green	Yellow	Blue	Red
Week 1 House Points	4	1	3	2
Week 2 and 3 House Points	4	1	4	4
Summer Reading Challenge	26	14	14	19
Total	34	16	21	25

EASEBOURNE PTFA NEWS

Film Night

We hope all the children that came along this afternoon for our first 'Film Night' of the academic year enjoyed themselves. Thank you very much to all of the parents and children who supported this event, it has always been a firm favourite with the children here at Easebourne.

A massive THANK YOU to all our parent/grandparent/carer volunteers for all their help at this event, it couldn't happen without you. Also, a big THANK YOU to all the members of staff who stayed behind to assist with the children and to make sure they all left safely at the end of the afternoon. You all play an important part at our events to ensure they run smoothly.

The next Film Night is scheduled for Friday 15th November 2019, we hope you can all make it.

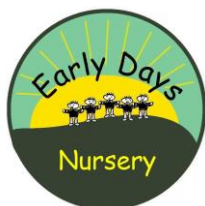
PTFA Meeting

We have arranged a PTFA Meeting for this Wednesday, 25th September 2019 from 7.30pm. This will be held in the conference room at Easebourne Primary School. There will be hot drinks or wine/beer and nibbles on offer. Everyone is welcome.

We are currently looking for a Chairperson. This position could be a joint effort, Co-Chair, filled by 2 parents. We all lead very busy lives these days and it is always nice to have someone to share ideas and responsibilities with. If anyone or 2 people are interested in this position please contact Jo Purser, email Madjopad@yahoo.co.uk or simply turn up to the meeting on Wednesday evening.

All of our upcoming events will be listed in the next School Newsletter in two weeks time.

Thank you once again to everyone for your continued support, we really do appreciate it.



Early Days and Easebourne Owls Half Term at Easebourne Owls Holiday Club



We will be running a holiday club on Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st
October

8.30am-4.30pm

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

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.

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