



EASEBOURNE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

22nd June 2018

Dates

w/b Monday 25th June	Community Week	
Monday 25th June	Book Fair	3.15-4.15
Tuesday 26th June	Book Fair	3.15-4.15
Thursday 28th June	First visit for new Reception children September 2018	am/pm
Friday 29th June	Rabbits Class visit Vine House Volunteers Tea Party Book Club Reports home to parents Clubs Finish, with the exception of Ukulele and Archery	1.00 1.45 3.15-4.15
Saturday 30th June	Summer Fair	1.00-4.00
Monday 2nd July	Open Evening	3.30-5.30
Tuesday 3rd July	Extra Archery Club Matinee Performance – Foxes and Otters	8.00-08.40 2.00
Wednesday 4th July	MRC Transition Day (Year 6 pupils visit MRC, other classes go to new teacher and second visit for new Reception children)	
Thursday 5th July	Hedgehogs trip to Arundel Castle Extra Ukulele Club Evening Performance – Foxes and Otters	9.00-3.00 3.15-4.15 6.00
Friday 6th July	SENDCo Drop In School Nurse Drop In Squirrels trip to Arundel Castle Junior Urgent Action Badgers Camp Out - Overnight	8.40-9.30 8.30-9.30 9.00-3.00 3.15-4.15 3.15-8.00

A Word from the Head

It's been a busy fortnight at the school. We welcome Libby Harvey to the office. Libby will be working on Mondays, Thursdays and Friday mornings. We also welcome Gemma Purser (Y2) and Shirley Manning (Y5) who are providing additional classroom support till the end of the term.

The results are finally in for this term's Spelling Bee (see below). Year 3/4 footballers took part in a football tournament at Fernhurst. A selection of children from Y4-6 enjoyed playing cricket at Arundel and exploring the castle. Squirrels Class visited St Mary's Church. On Wednesday, Foxes Class worked with Chichester District Council to learn about the Five Ways to Well-Being. And today, Otters Class went to Chichester Cathedral for one of the county's leavers' services and performed as the choir. Meanwhile, Easebourne Park is taking shape. If you haven't seen what's been happening, do take a look; it's very exciting.

In our last newsletter, I mentioned the debate against Rogate. What I forgot to say was that Teddy kindly stepped in at the last minute, when Ruby was away. Fortunately, Ruby's notes were very clear and Teddy was able to use them to support his teammates in the debate.

Finally, we have a great team of staff at Easebourne, but, sometimes, special mention needs to be made and I am delighted to report that Andy Taylor, Y6 class teacher, having been nominated by a parent for The Award for Teacher of the Year in a Primary School in the annual Pearson Teaching Awards and has received a very smart certificate of excellence.

Hens

Many of you will have heard the sad news that six of our eight hens were taken by a fox the weekend before last. We are left with one of the original bantams, Midnight, and one of the ex-battery hens, Ginger. Having checked the enclosure carefully, Mr Stonard has concluded that the fox must have scaled one of the high fences. With the summer holidays coming up, we will pay particular attention to the two that are left and consider whether we want to give a home to some more ex-battery hens in the autumn.

Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the following for their success in this term's spelling bee.

KS1 Winner	Poppy	Best in Y1	Kiara
Lower KS2 Winner	William	Best in Y3	Ava
Upper KS2 Winner	Phoebe	Best in Y5	Rana

Transition Day

On Wednesday 4th 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 Payne Mrs Clipston
Year 2 - Squirrels	Mrs Parker-Phipps
Year 3 - Rabbits	Miss Crew (Mrs Coates)
Year 4 - Badgers	Mr Meaby Mrs Nixon (Thursday)
Year 5 - Foxes	Mrs Bedford
Year 6 - Otters	Mr Taylor

Community Week

Throughout next week we will be working with members of the community on a number of projects. On Monday Rabbits Class will be helping to clean St. Mary's Church and Squirrels Class will continue this on Tuesday. On the same day our Year 6 school councillors will meet with other Rother Valley school councillors at MRC. On Friday Rabbits Class will sing to the residents of Vine House and the following Friday Badgers Class will perform to the residents of Birthday House. During the week Mrs Thomas will be working with children to design a big cross for the school hall and the children will be designing wood carvings for the dens in the new Easebourne park. We will end the week by holding a volunteer tea party on Friday from 1.45pm to say thank you to all our parents, grandparents and friends of Easebourne who give up their time to help our pupils by listening to readers, helping with clubs, gardening, Forest School, trips and of course to our PTFA for all their fundraising efforts. Please let the office know if you are able to attend. If you know anyone who would be interested in volunteering, please do bring them along. Community week will finish with our Summer Fair on Saturday 30th June. We hope to see you all there.

Book Fair and We are Writers

The Travelling Book Fair will be in school from Friday 22nd – Tuesday 26th June in the school library from 3.15-4.15pm. Our school earns commission on every book we sell and the proceeds will help restock our library. All books are 3 for the price of 2 so there are great bargains to be had.

Alongside this, we will be taking orders for our very own 'We are writers' book. This book is a compilation of writing from every child in the school. A copy costs £5.99 and generates 60% in terms of books for the library. 'We are writers' books can be included in the 3 for 2 offer but cannot be the free book. A list of those who have already placed an order will be at the Book Fair.

School Nurse Drop In

On Friday 6th July, from 8.30-9.30am, our new school nurse, Stephen Fenner, will be available for any parents who may wish to talk to him. He can discuss a variety of issues such as sleep, toileting, bedwetting, behavior, fussy eating, healthy eating, exercise or any other aspect of physical or emotional health.

Reports and Open Evening

On Friday 29th June you should receive home your child's report. We will be holding an Open Evening on Monday 2nd July from 3.30-5.30pm. You will be able to see some of the children's work, meet their new class teacher and discuss your child's report with their current teacher.

Parent Request For Second Copies

In the case of families where parents are separated or divorced it is the school policy to provide second copies of correspondence if requested by the parent. Please provide the school with an up to date address, email and telephone number and keep us informed of any changes to the information provided. We will send:

- a newsletter fortnightly by email
- a diary termly by email. Dates can also be found on the website
- an invitation to parents evenings in the Autumn and Spring Term
- a report, which will be posted at the end of the Summer Term

We will also email or post any other important letters or invitations but will not send second copies of general letters regarding trips, swimming, Forest School etc.

Sport Day

Our Sports Day will be held on Monday 9th July, with reserve Sports Day being the following day. 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.

Otters and Foxes Perform 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits'

This term, Years 5 and 6 will be performing 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits' by Craig Hawes. Enjoy some sandy silliness as we take a thrilling carpet ride with Ali Baba and his crazy camel on an amazing Arabian adventure! There will be a matinee performance on Tuesday 3rd July at 2pm and an evening performance on Thursday 5th 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.

Volunteers for Clubs

We will soon be looking at the clubs we are able to offer next term. If any parents, grandparents, volunteers, governors or friends of Easebourne Primary would be able to either run or assist with a club, please let the office know. Thank you

Easebourne Aspire Class

These sessions were fun and relaxed but educational. The teacher made us feel at ease and at the same time taught us a variety of word classes. We learnt that 'The flotchy plogs glorped bliply in flabberglop', made sense if you know your word classes. We believe that we have more understanding to support our children to achieve good results in their SATs. We would like to thank the school and Julia Horman from running the initiative. By Jeff, Sandra, Sam and Trudy



Stedham Football



On Friday 15th June, a team with players from Year 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Stedham Football Tournament. We were split into two Easebourne teams, one came 5th but the other team came 2nd. During the tournament the two Easebourne teams actually played against each other. It was the most tense game in the tournament with the final score being 3-2. We didn't mind that we didn't win, we just had fun. By Ned, Otters Class

Cricket at Arundel



On Thursday 14th June, twelve children from Badgers Class went to Arundel Castle Cricket Ground to learn cricket skills and play a game. Then on Friday it was the turn of 8 pupils from Otters Class and 1 from Foxes Class to go. Our coach was Johnny Barclay (ex-England manager and ex captain of Sussex) who taught us everything we needed to know about batting, bowling and fielding. Afterwards, we had our lunch and met Mr Blackbird, a very friendly blackbird who hopped around the pavilion as if he owned it! Finally, we had a tour around the castle. It has 703 steps! Everyone said that

they had a great time. We were privileged to play on such a historic cricket ground and to see such an amazing castle. By Rhys, Badgers Class

Fernhurst Football

On Tuesday 19th June, 10 members of Badgers and Rabbits Class went to Fernhurst to represent the school in a football tournament. We all did very well competing against other schools such as Camelsdale and St. Matthews. Both Easebourne teams did really well. Badgers came second and won all of their league matches. They got a medal for being runners up. Rabbits came fourth but everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day. By Jacob, William and Archie G, Badgers Class



Badgers Trip to Marwell Zoo



On Thursday 21st June, Badgers Class went to Marwell Zoo. In the morning we went to an animal workshop where we touched African animal skins. After lunch, we went round the zoo and saw all the animals. Some of the animals were really cute. The giraffes were very big and tall, there were 7 of them. The penguins were very small and quick but one of them was going very slowly. We were looking forward to seeing the cheetah but it was hiding so not many of us saw it. Everyone had a great time and learnt lots of animal facts. By Megan and Ellie, Badgers Class

Year 6 Leavers' Service

Earlier today, Year 6 went to Chichester Cathedral for a celebration for pupils leaving Primary Schools in the diocese of Chichester. Easebourne had been chosen to be the choir leading the singing at the service once again. Everyone had to remain seated while we sang a quite challenging



arrangement of The Lord's Prayer before they all joined us to sing it together. After the service we headed to Priory Park to enjoy a picnic lunch and a game of rounders in the sunshine.



Maths Challenge

Congratulations to Sam and Ava in Rabbits who completed the last challenge and gained a house point for their respective teams. This was a trick and the answer was 2.

This week we have 2 puzzles for you to solve. A multiplication grid and a subtraction puzzle.

Here is part of a multiplication grid.

×	4	5	6	7	8	9
4		20				
5	20					
6						
7						
8						
9						

Shade in any other squares that have the same answer as the shaded square.

Subtraction Puzzle

Using the figures 7,7,7,7 and 1, can you make the number 100 using just a minus sign?

Don't guess – use logic!

Hand your completed challenge to Mr Meaby to gain a house point.

House Update

	Green Turtles	Yellow Meerkats	Blue Dolphins	Red Eagles
Total from last term	193	197	218	222
Ihub House Points				1
Week 1 House Points	1	2	4	3
Week 2 House Points	2	1	3	4
Week 3 House Points	2	3	4	1
Spelling Bee	4	10	1	7
Maths Challenge	2		2	1
Week 4 House Points	4	3	3	1
Week 5 House Points	2	1	4	3
Maths Challenge			2	
Week 6 House Points	1	3	4	2
Maths Challenge	1		1	
Week 7 House Points	3	1	4	2
Week 8 House Points	4	3	3	1
Maths Challenge	1		1	
Week 9 House Points	2	1	4	4
Total	222	225	258	252

EASEBOURNE PTFA NEWS

Summer Fair - One week to go!

Plastics

This year, I'm trying to use minimal plastics at the fair, therefore:

- Please bring your own "bag for life" to carry your prizes and purchases as we will not be handing out plastic carrier bags.
- Pint Pots will be displayed either in a paper bag or reusable cup (which will be recycled for the next event) and transferred to paper bag when won (please recycle your paper bag!).
- Bottles of water/squash will be available to buy at the bar, but we will also have a "refill" option so children can re-use the bottles.
- If you use a plastic "glass" from the Bar, please re-use it and when finished put it in the recycling bins (which I hope to be able to provide)
- Please use the bins appropriately - plastic and cans in one and general rubbish in the other. They will be labelled.

More volunteers needed please.

Foxes and Otters parents - we need your help please. We currently have just one person on the BBQ (Otters) and NOBODY on the Inflatables (foxes). We can't run these stalls without volunteers to man them.

There are gaps on all class stalls, so please do pop into reception and sign up for an hour slot. Many hands make light work!

Parking

Please can I ask everyone to park appropriately. **It is absolutely essential that we do not block emergency vehicle access either on the driveway, roundabout or via the back of the school from the lower car park.** The lower car park, staff car park and part of the playground will be available for parking. If you are local, please consider walking to the fair.

Who/What will be at the Fair?

At the BBQ we'll have burgers, hot dogs and savoury snacks, so perfect for lunch time, with the fair starting at 1pm. The bar will be selling wine, lager, cider, prosecco, soft drinks and water.

We have Punch & Judy, a magic show, balloon modelling, an ice cream van and all the usual fair stalls priced 20p, 50p and £1 (correct change would be greatly appreciated!)

Three inflatables - mega slide, assault course and toddler bouncy castles will all be priced at 50p for 5 mins, or you can buy an unlimited pass for £3 to use all afternoon.

We have visiting stall holders from The Body Shop, The Grange, Lovely Things, Nappy Cakes, Henry Adams, The Parish Council, Asman/Murphy Cakes, Flamingo Cards, Davina McColl Crafts, Goodwood Kids Clubs and the Scouts.

The children will also be entertaining us with Maypole dancing, dance routines and Ukulele.

Raffle

Please ensure all sold and unsold tickets and money are handed into reception by Friday 29th June. Remember the first prize this year is a 2 night stay for two at a country hotel!

I look forward to seeing you all at the fair for a fun packed afternoon.

Dates to Remember

- * Saturday 30th June, Summer Fair, 1pm - 4pm
- * PTFA Meeting Thursday 5th July at 7.30pm
- * Film Night, a Friday in September & November
- * Fairies & Scaries, Friday 12th October, 6pm-8pm
- * Xmas Fair, December 2018



Early Days and Easebourne Owls



Early Days Nursery are looking for an Assistant Childcare Practitioner to join the team in September, 8.45am-1.30pm, 19 hours/week (4 days to be confirmed). For further details and an application pack, please go to www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobs/school-jobs

COMMUNITY NEWS

Easebourne Park construction update

As some of you may have already seen, work has well and truly commenced on the early stages of the park. The drainage channels are in, with the exit of the drainage pipe designed to flow into the pond. The pond itself has been excavated and the



natural clay liner due to be delivered and fitted early next week. The oak wood trunks and branches, kindly donated by the Cowdray Estate, will be delivered over the next 2 weeks with the first deliveries starting on Mon 25 June. These deliveries will be timed to cause minimum disruption to the school car park users. If this fine weather continues, the progress of the Park will be swift. Finally, we are to ensure that this park is to be dog friendly, but will ask owners to keep dogs on the lead near play equipment. To that end, we intend to install, subject to funds being available, 2 dog-bag dispensers at the 2 entrances to the field. They cost £100 each - any sponsors out there willing to help us by funding these dispensers please?

The pond dug, awaiting the natural environmentally-friendly clay liner.



3.30 – 6.00pm

Monday 9th July

at St Mary's Church, Easebourne for the
parishes of Lodsworth, Selham & Easebourne

**A relaxed and informal church
with a warm welcome for the whole family**

*Crafts, songs, celebration, food and plenty of
opportunity to have fun and make a mess!*

More details from Alison Davis (01730 816642) or Lynne Todd (01798 861399)