

SPARSHOLT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWS
12th May 2017

Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2017)

Yr 6 Residential Parent Meeting

Golden Mile Launch

Sport's Day (plus reserve)

24th & 25th July

Wednesday 17th May 6pm

Thursday 18th May 11am

Fri 23rd June (Mon 10th July)

Weekly Update from Mrs McCarthy

Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to inform you that our Mosaic Awards for this week have been presented to:

Willow Class	Beech Class	Maple Class	Rowan Class	Oak Class
Isaac	Jamie	Elin	Toli	Lucy
Daisie	Nathan	Claudia	Mercedez	Esther

I would like to congratulate all our Year 6 children for all their hard work this week. We are so proud of each and every one of them. I hope they have enjoyed their day of fun and games today - they have certainly earned it! We are expecting the results of the tests to be accessible to the school on 4th July. As soon as they are, we will send home a copy of your child's results.

I would also like to say very well done to our Year 2 pupils who have also been sitting reading tests this week. Once the reading tests are completed, Mrs O'Connor will move onto the maths tests.

The class structure for next year is now in place and will be as follows;

- Year R/1 Willow
- Year 1/2 Beech
- Year 3 Maple
- Year 4/5 Rowan
- Year 5/6 Oak

Further information will be sent out later in the term regarding classes.

Thank you to everyone who attended the FoSS Pizza & Movie Night. It was a fantastic evening for the children with FOSS raising over £350.00. A special thank you to Mrs Ward, FoSS and the volunteer parents who made the night such a success.

We are looking forward to the Life Education Bus coming to Sparsholt. The children in Years 3 - 6 will be visiting the bus during Wednesday 17th May as part of our Personal, Social and Health Education curriculum. The bus will be arriving on Tuesday 16th May at 4pm and this will mean less spaces will be available in the car park on Wednesday and Thursday. We will ensure the area for the bus to park is coned off and we would appreciate if this area is left clear.

We hope that the parents of pupils in Year 6 will be able to join us on Wednesday 17th May for the Fairthorne Residential Meeting. This will take place in Oak Class.

Thursday sees the launch of our Golden Mile. We will be celebrating our new physical activity initiative with an assembly, followed by the whole school completing their first golden mile. Thank you for your support with the fundraising.

Kind regards

Lindsay McCarthy - Headteacher

Stones thrown

Mrs McCarthy has spoken to the children about the dangers of throwing stones and wood over the hedge which separates the public footpath along the side of the school building and playground. We are very concerned that the stones could cause serious injury to anyone within the school grounds and also cause damage to the building itself.

Messy Centurion's Faith

This month's Messy Church takes place from 4pm to 6pm on Saturday 13th May in Littleton Church Room. We shall be finding out how a Roman centurion surprised Jesus, and how his faith helped cure his servant. Crafts, activities and a celebration in church, all rounded off with a Roman banquet! For more information, visit our Facebook page: Messy Church in the Downs Benefice, or contact

carolcoleman123@hotmail.com

Beech Book & Cake Sale – Friday 26th May

Mrs Andrews (mum of Thomas, Oak Cl and Charlie, Beech Cl) is organising a book and cake sale on Friday 26th May after school on the playground.

She would be very grateful for any donations of second hand children's books. The coming weekend is a good opportunity to clear out any unwanted books and bring to school for Mrs Andrews to collect from the playground. Donations of bought and home-made cakes on the day of the sale (no nuts!). Home-made cakes should come with a list of ingredients please! All proceeds will go towards the continuing fundraising for the playground – thank-you

CALLING ALL WALKERS!

As you know – on 20th May 25 brave and fearless parents and friends of parents will run from Sparsholt School to Farleigh Mount and back and some will do this twice! Each lap is 10km.

We are appealing for walkers to join us - to cheer on the runners and help us create a great school community spirit on the day. Come and walk a lap (10km or 6 miles). It will take a couple of hours. Bring older children if they are up for it...bring the dog.....make a donation to the playground....and have a fun morning. **YOU DON'T NEED TO BE FIT** - if you can walk, you can do this!

There will be hot dogs and drinks at the end. The walk/ run starts at 10am on 20th May in the school field.

Every £ raised goes to phase 2 of the playground development. Phase 1 looks great - it was paid for entirely by all the amazing fundraising efforts last year. To complete Phase 2 and actually put some play equipment in we need another £7000. Come and join in the push to get there!

If you can't make it on the day please, please sponsor us. All team sponsorship is going through Victoria Parkers My Donate page – which is <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/victoriaparker1>

Thank you....and if you can come on the 20th, please let us know.....kathod@hotmail.com