

SPARSHOLT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWS
17th November 2017

Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2017/18)

Yr R Children parent/Teacher Consultation Evening
Non-Uniform Day for FoSS Raffle Prizes
Christingle Service
KS1 Nativity
KS2 Christmas Concert

26th Jan 18, 19th Feb 18,
25th May 18, 23rd July 18
Monday 27th November 3.50 – 7pm
Thursday 30th November
Friday 1st December 9.30am
Wed 6th December 9am St Stephen's Church
Wed 13th 6.30pm & Thurs 14th Dec 1.30pm

Weekly Update from Mrs Laver

Dear Parents and Carers

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

<i>Willow Class</i>	<i>Beech Class</i>	<i>Maple Class</i>	<i>Rowan Class</i>	<i>Oak Class</i>
Oliver H	Megan	Radi	Grace	Brooke
Isabella	Charlie D	Amelia	Jessica	Esther

It's Rocket Science! Rocket Festival 2017

5,4,3,2,1 BLAST OFF! Oak class staged Sparsholt's first Rocket Festival this week. Six teams of scientists demonstrated experiments for parents and visitors from Winchester College. The children used their thinking and creativity skills to produce explanation leaflets, instruction cards and a range of team promotional literature.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who covered Pudsey in coins this morning, Pudsey looked amazing and every penny will be going to help Children in Need.

A-maze-ing Rowan

Rowan class entertained and perplexed us this week by creating a life size maze on the school field as part of their A-maze-ing Measures project. We look forward to seeing their toy marble mazes at the end of their project.

Maple - Move it, Move it Move it!

Thank you to Mr Yates who led a fantastic high intensity interval training (HIIT) session with Maple Class. We are also grateful to Mrs Joslin who talked to the children about yoga and coached the children on some yoga poses.

Willow- You can't catch me I am the Gingerbread Man!

The ginger bread man has arrived in Willow Class this week and the children are enjoying re-telling the story. They are very excited about making hand puppets in preparation for a puppet show to perform to Beech Class

UK Bebras Computational Thinking Competition

A huge thank you to Mrs Sheppeck this week who has led the UK Bebras computational thinking and reasoning challenge. The children who took part were; Josh D, Millie P-S, Layla C, Grace B, Jenna B, Finn H, Maisie BB, Daniel H, Lizzy R, Cassie F, Grace W, William G, Isaac R, Harry B, Josh J, Freya L, Ella B, Victoria B, Leo S, Gracie R, Flynn C and we can't wait to find out the results which should be available next week! If you want to have a go at last year's challenges, visit <https://challenge.bebras.uk/>

Library

Bridget from Hampshire Library Service has visited this week to help us revitalise the library. We look forward to refreshing our library with enticing new books in the New Year. FoSS have kindly offered to help with funding. We have planned a parents evening in the spring term to share all the new reading materials and to inspire the whole learning community with a love of reading!



Thought of the Week

This week in worship we thought about how rules in school help us grow and flourish. We reflected that Christians believe that *God sees everything we do* and that *God knows that sometimes it's difficult to do the right thing*. We prayed together.

Dear God,

Thank you for rules to help us learn and grow.

Help us to do what is right, whether people see what we do or not.

Amen

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement and I wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards, Lynn Laver - Acting Headteacher



Hockey Club Cancelled – Monday 20th November

Mrs Gwilliam is on a course off site, so Hockey Club is cancelled for this week – sorry for the short notice

Year R Children Parents/Teacher Consultation – Monday 27th November 3.50pm – 7pm

The next parent/teacher consultation meetings (10 minute slots) is for *reception children* only. It will be held on:

- **Monday 27th November from 3:50 – 7pm**

Sparsholt Primary School has an online booking system to easily arrange a 10 minute appointment to meet Mrs Wall during the evening. Please visit the school website and follow the links from the parent's section. The online booking system will be available for the above meetings from **7am on Saturday 18th November**.

Non-Uniform Day- Thursday 30th November (FoSS Raffle Donation)

If you can, please donate a bottle, box of bath goodies, chocolates etc for the Christmas raffle which will take place during the Christmas Concerts. All proceeds to FoSS.

Oak Class – Visit to 'Tech Deck' Education Centre, Portsmouth – Thursday 30th November

Due to the early start time of the workshop, departure will be at **8 a.m.** rather than 9 a.m. as detailed in the trip letter.

Christmas Cards

The deadline for ordering your child's Christmas cards/tags/wrapping paper is midnight this Saturday (tomorrow). You have only a couple of days left.... all artwork was sent home in book bags last Friday - please follow the instructions using the code on the rear of the artwork.

All ordered cards etc are to be dispatched from the 24th November, allowing you plenty of time to write and post your cards!

Reception "First Class" Photo

The reception children 'First Class' photograph will be published in the Daily Echo on **30th November**; in the Hampshire chronicle w/c **30th November**

Roofing work at St. Stephen's Church

The church roof is due to be retiled on the South side, i.e. on the side next to the footpath through the churchyard. The work is due to start on **Monday 13th November** and finish on **Wednesday 20th December**. There will be scaffolding erected adjacent to the church and we would like people to take extra care when walking along the footpath, particularly when the scaffolding is being put up and taken down. The scaffolding will be screened with a metal fence.

Contractors will need to place a skip in the churchyard parking area and will also need access for their vehicles. It would be very helpful if parents would avoid parking in this area whilst work is in progress on the church.

Rowan fundraiser!

Please could parents donate school uniform items, in good condition and washed, that children have outgrown? Rowan class will then sell them after school one day after half term. Have a look through your uniform collection over the weekend and bring what you no longer need to school. It will be collected by Rowan class reps Sara Rees and Amy Ainsworth. We will sort things into age/size ready for Rowan class to sell. Thank-you

Christmas at Sparsholt C of E Primary School



This year's Christmas Lunch will be held on **Friday 15th December 2017**.

Required from all our children - please indicate preferred option so that HC3S can provide the chosen meal. (If your child does not wish to have the Christmas lunch, return the form informing us of their opt out):

Turkey, mini sausage and gravy

or

Vegetarian option, vegetarian sausage and gravy

Both main courses will be served with roast potatoes, garden peas and baton carrots.

A choice of dessert will be available:

Chocolate Mousse Cake

or

Satsuma

For the kitchen to order stock we need confirmation of numbers by **1st December latest** – please return this form to school office as soon as possible.

If your child already has lunches, the cost of this meal will be included in the half-termly invoice. However, if your child does **not** normally have school lunches and is not in Years R,1 or 2, but you would like them to be included in the Christmas lunch celebrations, please send £2.10 into the school with this form.

Child's Name: Class:



SPARSHOLT CHRISTMAS TREE ORDER FORM

For the fourth year running, Sparsholt Village Shop and Sparsholt Primary School have teamed up with our reputable Christmas tree supplier to provide beautiful **Nordmann Fir non drop trees** at a reasonable price. The quality of the trees is excellent – if you want to know more, please ask around – we have provided lots to the village and school over the last four years.

This year the trees will be available for collection outside the Village Hall on

Sunday 3rd December. Time to be confirmed.

Simply fill in the form below and return to the school office with either cash or a cheque (made out to FOSS) by **Friday 24th November**.

All money raised will go to the school and the shop.

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Premium grade Nordmann Fir	Price per tree	Quantity required	Total amount (£)
Small 100 – 125cm (3-4ft)	£26		
Medium 150 – 175cm (5-6ft)	£32		
Large 175-200cm (6-6'6"ft)	£39		
Extra large 200-250cm (6'6"-8ft)	£48		
TOTAL			

Last date for orders is FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2016, Cheques payable to FOSS please