

Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2017) Foss Meeting – all welcome! Bags4Schools next collection World Book Day School Photographs (Classes & Groups) 24th & 25th July Friday 10th February 08:45am Wednesday 1st March Thursday 2nd March Monday 27th March 1.30pm

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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 |
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| Scarlett | Lucifer | Emily | Lizzy | Ashleigh |
| Rose | Emily | Olivia | Luke | Jacob |

The 20th annual World Book Day is being celebrated on Thursday 2nd March this year and Sparsholt will be participating with a day of fun activities and dressing up! More information will follow shortly.

Oak class are looking forward to an inspiring shadow puppet workshop on Thursday next week and I am sure they will learn lots of new skills during the day.

Please can I remind parents that the school day starts at 8.45am and the register is taken promptly. Children arriving after this time are recorded as late. Missing the first few minutes of the day can be very disruptive and upsetting for children. We thank you for your support with ensuring children arrive on time for school.

Kind regards,

Lindsay McCarthy - Headteacher

Library Book Return

Please can you check your children's book bags, under beds, behind the sofa etc. for Hampshire Library books that have left the school premises as they must be returned for a stock check by Hampshire Library Service due to take place w/c 13th February. The school will be required to meet the cost of any books lost so we would appreciate your support in locating and returning books you may have at home, thank-you.

Increase in School Meal Price from 1st April 2017

At the Decision Day on 18 January 2017, Executive Lead Member for Children's Services, Councillor Keith Mans, approved the increase of the school meal price to ± 2.15 with effective from 1st April 2017.

All lunch invoices sent out at the end of the Spring term will, therefore contain amount owed up to and including 31^{st} March 2017 at £2.10 plus any lunches taken during the w/c 3^{rd} April 2017 at the new price of £2.15.

Increase in Uniform Prices from 1st April 2017

We have been informed by our suppliers that they are increasing school uniform prices from March this year. We will therefore, be increasing some of our uniform prices to reflect this increase from 1st April 2017.

FoSS Meeting - Friday 10th February 8.45am, Sparsholt Village Hall

We are planning our first meeting of this term next Friday after school drop-off. Please come along for a coffee to meet up and share any ideas you may have to help with fundraising for the school.

"Sparsholt Clarendon Half Marathon Challenge!"

Thanks to everyone who has joined the Sparsholt team of half marathon runners - 20 mums, 5 dads and 2 teachers are already in the team! We will be opening up entry to those outside school – so standby for further information! In the meantime.....well done to the team who are already in training! A reminderthis challenge is just for Sparsholt supporters – so no pressure of a big event....and you don't even have to run. We hope to have a big walking group. To walk this distance will take 4-5 hours. So whatever level you want to challenge yourself at; from just getting round to a half marathon personal best.....PLEASE JOIN US! So text 07738 174325 or email kathod@hotmail.com to join the team!

Calling all runners/walkers/ Clarendon half marathon entrants:

Portsmouth based Alexandra sports have now opened a store in Oliver's Battery in Winchester, and they are offering 10% off to the Sparsholt Clarendon half marathon team. They have over 30 years of experience in assisting people with the correct footwear (and clothing), helping to avoid injury, so they really know their stuff. I wouldn't still be running today if it wasn't for Alexandra sports identifying and correcting my overpronating flat feet over 15 years ago! Happy training.

Change of school lunch menu for Week 1 and Week 2 menu until further notice

Please note that the *beef roast* option in Week 1 will be replaced by *chicken roast* and the *beef roast* option in Week 2 will be replaced by *pork roast*. This is due to supply problems and will be in place until further notice, thank-you.

Sainburys' Active Kids 2017

Active Kids 2017 has now launched. There are three ways to collect; in Sainsbury's Supermarkets and online at sainsburys.co.uk you'll be given one voucher for every £10 you spend, and in Sainsbury's Local stores you'll get one voucher for every £5 you spend. Please ask your family and friend to collect the tokens for Sparsholt C of E Primary School!