

Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2018) Bag2Schools Collection Parent drop-in VLE information evening *Parent Information Evenings:* What does "greater depth" look like in Primary Maths Willow Class World Book Day FoSS Family Quiz Night Parent / Teacher Consultation Evenings 19th Feb 18, 25th May 18, 23rd July 18 Wednesday 21st February Thurs 22nd Feb 5.30 – 6.30pm

Thurs 1st March 7-8pm Friday 2nd March Friday 2nd March 6pm-8pm Tues 20th & Thurs 22nd March

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;

Willow Class	Beech Class	Maple Class	Rowan Class	Oak Class
Fearne	Charlotte	Blake	Gracie	Grace
Erin	Cecily	Eddie	Flynn	Esther

Fond Farewell to Mr Lamb

We say goodbye to Mr Lamb on Friday March 2nd. I know Mr Lamb has been greatly valued as a learning support assistant by staff, parents and children who have benefitted from his support during his time here and also for his contribution to the sports provision and in particular the football squad. We wish him all the very best in his future career in the cyber-security industry.

INSET day Monday 19th February

Staff and governors will be working with Sue Bowen from the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Education Department on our school vision and values.

Oak Class cake sale

Thank you to Mrs Sullivan and Oak Class for their cake sale today. They managed to raise £82.00 for FoSS funds.

Reading at Greater Depth

We now have available on our website recommended reading lists to encourage reading at greater depth at key stage 1 and key stage 2. This has been provided by Hampshire school library service.

We hope you all have a very enjoyable and restful half term.

Thank you for your continued support Kind regards,

Lynn Laver -Headteacher

Clubs extended to 4.30pm

As the evenings are getting lighter (at long last!) all after school clubs will extend to 4.30pm after the half-term (week commencing **19th February**).

Hampshire Music Service and School Music Tuition

We have availability for guitar or ukulele with Hampshire Music Service and recorder with Mrs Leitzell. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you would like your child to start tuition.

Year R Parents Stay-and-Play Invitation

This is an opportunity for you to come in and enjoy some 'discovery time' with your child (younger siblings welcome)

- Wednesday 7th March 3:00-3:25pm**
- ** Please note change of date

Messy Builders - Saturday 10th February 4pm

This month's Messy Church takes place in Sparsholt Memorial Hall, 4-6pm on Saturday 10th February. For our theme we are looking at Jesus' parable of two builders who each built a house - one on a rock and one on sand. Can you guess what happened when a storm came? Come along to join in the fun (and see if you were right!) For more information please contact Carol Coleman (01962 881886 or carolcoleman123@hotmail.com)

Bag2Schools Collection – Wednesday 21st February

Bags came home with children this week to give you a chance to clear out wardrobes...drawers...etc over the half-term and fundraise for the school at the same time.

- Bags2Schools ACCEPT the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE: men's, ladies and children's clothing, paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around); handbags; hats; bags; scarves and ties; jewellery; lingerie; socks; belts; soft toys; household linen; curtains; towels; bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)
- Bags2Schools *DO NOT* accept: duvets and blankets; pillows and cushions; carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats); soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing; school uniforms with and without logo; corporate clothing and workwear; textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.

Bags2 Schools will be collecting on **Wednesday 21st February** – please keep your bags at home until the morning of the 21st and bring into school then. There will be a FoSS organised collection of bags from bus stops for those children using the dedicated bus service from Crawley, Littleton and Sparsholt College. Thank-you

Willow Class World Book Day, Friday 2nd March - FOSS Fundraiser!

In support of World Book Day, Willow Class will be organising a Book Sale on Friday 2nd March at lunchtime, and after school for parents/carers. So, with Half Term upon us please take some time to dig out any unwanted children's books and bring them to school by *Friday 23rd February*.

If you can give an age recommendation for your donated books we can ensure all books are sorted accordingly prior to the sale.

All children will be given the opportunity to buy a book (or two) so please send them in with a donation on the day! Many thanks for your help, Lisa Robinson and Nicky Harris, Willow Class Parent Reps



Sparsholt primary School's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Parent Workshop (Yr 1 – Yr 6) If you would like to find out how the Virtual learning Environment can support your child's learning, come along to our VLE parent open evening on **Thursday 22nd February 5.30 – 6.30pm.**

- teachers can use the VLE to extend the classroom online by creating projects and homework for our pupils;
- whether it's file sharing, homework or blogging, pupils have access to the resources they need at school and at home to further support and enjoy their learning.

Some of our children will be on hand to show you what's what and along with Miss Sheppeck, answer any questions you may have. If you would like to attend please complete the slip below and return to school by **21**st **February**, thank-you.

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VLE Parent Workshop – Thursday 22nd February 5.30 – 6.30pm

I would like to attend the VLE Parent Workshop

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School Car Park Guidelines

We would like to remind you of our car parking guidelines:

- Please do **not** move your cars when the children walk to or from the bus. We would request that you remain stationery for just a few minutes longer to allow the children to safely make their way across the car park
- Please do not park over the marked pedestrian walk-walks in the car-park
- Post Office staff, Sparsholt Parish Council and Sparsholt's residents kindly request that you do not park in Woodman Lane, especially outside the Post Office. Parking directly outside the Post Office (where the white lines are painted) impedes our school coach which then blocks the road completely. Be aware that the service bus also needs to get through each hour
- For health and safety reasons, please refrain from parking in the entrance to the car park
- If you double-park in the car-park please drop off or pick up your child/children promptly so allowing others to get away as quickly as possible
- An alternative to the car park would be to park in Woodman Close and walk up to school through the pathway at the back of the playground we recommend this option. Please be careful not to impede disabled bays in front of some of the houses in the Close
- Please note we will **not** be able to offer the field as an over-flow car park during the winter months. We will review again late into the Spring term
- Please make full use of the bus if your child has a pass
- Finally we ask you to be courteous at all times to other users of the car park

FOSS Family Quiz Night - Friday 2nd March 6-8pm

Join us for a fun family evening. Quiz rounds for all the family, plus a children's packed tea, nibbles for the grown ups and a bar available!

- £5 for adults
- £5 for children (including a packed tea)
- £2 for children (excluding packed tea)

FoSS Quiz Evening 2nd March 6-8pm at Sparsholt Village Hall

Number of Adults (£5)	
Number of children including packed tea (£5):	
Number of children excluding packed tea (£2):	
Total:	

Cheque payable to FoSS or cash please (include payment with this slip, in an envelope and leave at school reception)

Name:

Name of Child/children and Class

