

SPARSHOLT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWS
10th February 2017

Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2017)

Bags4Schools next collection

World Book Day

School Photographs (Classes & Groups)

24th & 25th July

Wednesday 1st March

Thursday 2nd March

Monday 27th March 1.30pm

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:

<i>Willow Class</i>	<i>Beech Class</i>	<i>Maple Class</i>	<i>Rowan Class</i>	<i>Oak Class</i>
Megan	Isabelle	Grace B	William	Abby
Adam	Noah	Jacob	Ella	William
	Madsy			Jack

I hope that the children of Oak Class enjoyed the shadow puppet workshop on Thursday. I was overwhelmed by the quality of puppets produced by the children and can't wait to see the puppetry, music and words come together.

I would like to thank all the children who are leading the worship on Sunday 12th February at St. Stephen's Church, Sparsholt. Thank you also to Mrs Laver for supporting the children. You are welcome to join us at 10am for the service.

Kind regards,

Lindsay McCarthy - Headteacher



Mini Circuit Club

Unfortunately due to other commitments Mrs Laver is unable to run the mini-circuit club next half-term. The children are very welcome to join Miss Barber's circuit session with the older children on *Tuesdays* as an alternative. Please let the office know if your child would like to do this.

Beech Class "Fire Fire!" Outcome – Friday 17th February

A reminder to Beech Class parents that they are welcome to join the class for their outcome on this half term's project – **Fire Fire!** between 9.10 and 9.40am. Please arrange for the children's home learning (the Stuart-style houses) to be brought into school by *Monday 13th February*. Details of the home learning can be found on the VLE.

Oak Class Shadow Puppet Outcome – Friday 17th February

A reminder to Oak Class parents that they are welcome to join the class for their outcome on this half term's project **Clockwork Shadow Puppets** commencing at 9.40.

Messy Baptism

This month's Messy Church takes place in Sparsholt Memorial Hall on **Saturday 11th February, 4-6pm**. We shall be learning about Jesus' baptism in the River Jordan, and also looking at how and why we baptise people today.

Come along for crafts and activities, the Bible story and tea - all free of charge. For more information and photos of previous Messy Church sessions visit our "Messy Church in the Downs Benefice" Facebook page.

Reception Children Photo

For parents of children in Reception year – the photograph of our 2016 intake will appear in the Daily Echo on **Thursday 2nd March**

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 31st March 2017 at £2.10 plus any lunches taken during the w/c 3rd 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.

“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 over-pronating 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.

Sainsburys' 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!