

## SPARSHOLT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWS  
5<sup>th</sup> January 2018

### Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2018)

Yr R vision and hearing testing

Yr R (2018 Application Closes)

FoSS Meeting – all welcome

*Parent Information Evenings:*

“If you read you will succeed” – inspiring your child to read

What does “greater depth” look like in Primary Maths

*26<sup>th</sup> Jan 18, 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 18, 25<sup>th</sup> May 18, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 18*

*Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January am*

*January 15<sup>th</sup> 2018*

*Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 8.45am*

*Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 7-8pm*

*Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> March 7-8pm*

*All the staff wish you a very Happy New Year and we hope you all had a lovely Christmas break.*

### Hampshire Music Service and School Music Tuition

Tuition will commence **w/c 8<sup>th</sup> January** for Spring 2018 term for Hampshire Music Service and **w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January** for Mrs Leitzell's groups. We have assumed children will continue with their chosen instrument this term. If you wish to stop tuition please contact the school office as soon as possible as we can then offer the place to other children on our waiting list. At the moment we have availability for guitar or ukulele and brass with Hampshire Music Service.

Invoices for music tuition during Spring Term were sent home at the end of last year. *As the year end fast approaches, we would appreciate payment for tuition, lunch (up to and including Autumn term 2017) and any trips before the end of March, thank-you.*

### Toy Sale – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Some of our Year 4 and Year 5 girls wish to organise a Toy Sale with all proceeds going to their favourite charity – The World Wildlife Fund. If you are having a New Year clear-out, please put aside toys and games the girls can sell on for this fantastic cause. Toys can be left at the school office from **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>**, thank-you.

### 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)

- **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 3:00-3:25pm**
- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 3:00-3:25pm**

### Service & Pupil Premium – please contact us for the Spring Census 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018

The Service Family element is to support children and young people with a parent who is, or has been in the regular armed forces in the past four years (known as Ever 4)

Service parents with children in State maintained schools, Free schools and Academies in England are encouraged to ensure that the Head Teacher of their child(ren)'s school is made aware of their Service status for the Spring School Census which will be conducted on 18th January 2018.

- The Service Pupil Premium is provided by the Department for Education, to State maintained schools, Free schools and Academies in England who have children of Regular Armed Forces personnel among their pupil population to provide additional (mainly pastoral) support.
- The Premium is currently £300 per Service pupil and is paid directly to schools. Schools with Service children in Reception to Year 11 classes are eligible to receive the fund, but only if your child(ren)'s name appears on the school's roll as being a Service child.
- The information recorded by schools regarding Service status is protected and the data regarding individual children is not shared outside the school.

Please contact the school if you believe your child falls into the above category – you can find out more from <https://www.gov.uk/service-premium-information-for-schools>

Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) was introduced in April 2011 and is allocated to schools for disadvantaged children who are either looked after by Hampshire County Council or to those who have been eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) at any point in the last six years (known as Ever 6 FSM). The purpose of the grant is to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers.

Parents are encouraged to ensure that the Head Teacher of their child(ren)'s school is made aware of their Pupil Premium status for the Spring School Census which will be conducted on 18th January 2018.



You can check eligibility for pupil premium and free school meals by using the online checking facility:

[www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants](http://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants)

To complete a check you need the following information for yourself or the person you are checking on behalf of:

- your own name, date of birth, and contact details
- National Insurance number or National Asylum Seekers number
- child's name and date of birth
- school your child is attending or will attend

Please contact the school office if you have any queries about free school meals.

### **Application to Sparsholt C of E Primary School (Year R) in September 2018**

This is a reminder that the deadline for applying for a place for your child/children to start Year R in September 2018 is **midnight on Monday 15 January 2018**.

You can apply online at [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions), by requesting a paper application form from us or the Admissions Team on 0300 555 1377.

The Hampshire County Council website contains information about the application process and individual schools in Hampshire. Information on the website about the application process is also included in Hampshire County Council's brochure "*A parent's guide to applying for a school place in the main admission round, School Year 2018/2019*", available on request from the Admissions Team. Reference copies are also available in Hampshire libraries and schools.

It is important that you submit your application by the deadline. Late applications will not be considered until after all on-time applications which could significantly reduce your chances of gaining a place at your preferred school(s).

All online applicants will receive an e-mail confirming that their application was submitted. If you are unsure, please contact the County Admissions Team on 0300 555 1377.

### **Reminder - Food Allergies in School**

A reminder to all parents that we do have a number of children and staff with allergies to certain foods such as cashew nuts, peanuts and shellfish. We would appreciate it if you did not send *any* nuts, nut derivatives or snack foods containing shellfish derivatives (ie prawn cocktail crisps or crab sticks) into school with your child's pack lunch/kid's club snack and, reduce to a minimum, the chance of pupils with allergies coming into contact with them.

The school acknowledges that due to food processing practices it is impractical to eliminate traces of these products entirely from an environment where there is food, but we would like to reduce the risk of cross-contamination as much as is possible.

Please discourage your child from sharing his or her lunch or snacks and encourage hand washing. If you wish to bring in cakes/treats for your child's birthday please check ingredients closely and refrain from using nuts in home-made products. Your help with this issue would be most appreciated, thank-you.

### **Reminder - 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 stationary 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 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

## Reminder - Beat that Louse

Please can you be extra vigilant and check your children's hair often. Although lice can be seen in dry hair, the best way to check is by the combing of wet hair with a fine toothed "detector" comb and treating if necessary, every three or four days for two weeks or until you cannot see any eggs. Treatment can either be by using over the counter treatments from the chemist, or the wet comb method and using lots of hair conditioner.

## School Clubs commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

For some clubs we will be stipulating a maximum number of children; if we have more interest than places we will be pulling names out of a hat. Children not successful in acquiring a place will be placed on a waiting list.

For any child registered in an after-school club who is unable to attend, *please inform us of going-home arrangements*. We will always hold children at school who are in clubs that are cancelled at short notice due, for example, to inclement weather.

All after-school clubs will finish at **4.15pm** for a prompt pick-up by parents/carers, we may change this time to **4.30pm** for outdoor clubs as the evenings get lighter – thank-you.

## Integr8 Football Club

From **Wednesday 17th January** our football club will be provided by FA qualified coaches from the newly formed Integr8 Sport. Many of you will know of Integr8 Dance who run our high quality dance sessions here on Fridays and we are pleased this award winning company has diversified to provide sport in schools.

If you are interested in registering for this club, please contact Integr8 Sport directly. The easiest way to sign up is to email [info@integr8sportcoaching.com](mailto:info@integr8sportcoaching.com) with your child's name and age. Integr8 will then send forms and instructions. Alternatively call them on 01962 808398

Day	After-School Clubs	Notes
Monday	Computing Club Yr 4 – Yr 6 (12 max) Hockey Yr 3 – Yr 6 (24 max) Netball Yr 4 - Yr 6 (24 max) Gym Cheer & Stunts (Yr R – Yr3 )	There will be a charge (payable in advance) for Gym, Cheer & Stunts club to cover coaching costs (£27 for 9 sessions)
Tuesday	Choir Yr 1 – Yr 6 (30 max) Bench Ball Yr 2 – Yr 6 (30 max) Football Squad Yr 5 & Yr 6	There will be a charge (payable in advance) for Football Squad to cover coaching costs (£30 for 10 sessions)
Wednesday	Integr8 Mini Football Club Yr 1 – Yr 3 Integr8 Junior Football Club Yr4 – Yr6	<b>** Update - football clubs will be run by Integr8 Sport; please contact them directly for registration and payment, thank-you, Integr8 Football – 01962 808398</b>
Thursday	Jnr Lacrosse Yr 3 & Yr 4 (20 max) Snr Lacrosse Yr 5 & Yr 6 (20 max) Recorder Club (Lunchtime) (Yr 1 – Yr 6)	Lacrosse is a paid for club (£30 for 10 sessions)
Friday	Sport Multi-Skills Yr 1- Yr 6 Donna Vokes' Art Club (Yr 2 – Yr 6) (12 max) Integr8 Dance offer an after school dance club – please contact directly for details - 01962 808398	There will be a charge (payable in advance) for Multi-Skills to cover coaching costs (£24 for 8 sessions), Art Club and Integr8 Dance – payment directly to Donna and Integr8 please

## After School Clubs from 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Complete the form and return to the school office if your child is interested in enrolling in our school clubs

Name of child ..... Class .....

is interested in registering for the following clubs (please tick)

Computing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Netball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Choir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hockey	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jnr Lacrosse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Snr Lacrosse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Art Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bench Ball	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multi-Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	Football Squad	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gym, Cheer & Stunts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recorder Club	<input type="checkbox"/>