Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Dates for your diaries

7th September 2018

Inset Days

Parent & Carers Welcome Meetings FoSS Parent Meeting Photographs - Portraits 19th October 2018 15th February, 22nd & 23rd July 2019 Thursday 13th September from 5.30pm Friday 14th September 8.45am Friday 28th September from 1.15pm

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to welcome you all back to school refreshed and invigorated after the summer break, ready for a new school year, learning, growing and flourishing together!

Core Value Awards

I was proud to commend our Core Value Award recipients in Celebration Worship today. Three children will be nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: Courage, Compassion and Creativity

	Willow	Beech	Maple	Rowan	Oak
Courage	Olivia	Sam	William	Grace	Jenna
Compassion	Erin	Hattie	Seth	Oli B	Maisie
Creativity	Fearne	Freddie	Charlie D	Lucifer	Oliver G

Staff Structure and Roles and Responsibilities

- Mrs Laver Headteacher, R.E manager
- Mrs Gwilliam Deputy Head teacher, SENCo, English manager, PE manager
- Miss Barber Key stage 1 manager, Science manager
- Miss Conroy History and Geography manager
- Miss Burbridge Maths manager
- Mrs Wollam and Mrs Wall Early Years manager, Art and DT manager
- Mrs Leitzell Music manager
- Miss Sheppeck Computing manager

Class	Class Teacher/s	Classroom Assistants (LSA)
Willow	Mrs Wall & Mrs Wollam	Mrs Williams
Beech	Miss Barber	Mrs Lamb, Mrs Leitzell, Miss Laver
Maple	Miss Conroy	Ms Archer, Miss Lawrence
Rowan	Miss Burbridge	Mrs Clarke, Ms Archer
Oak	Mrs Gwilliam & Mr Firth	Mrs Rowe

Welcome Meeting - Thursday 13th September

I would like to invite you to attend a Welcome Meeting on Thursday 13th September. The timings of the meetings are as follows;

- 5.30pm Year 1 Willow Class & Year 1/2 Beech Class
- 6.00pm Year 3 Maple Class
- 6.30pm Year 4/5 Rowan Class
- 7.00pm Year 5/6 Oak Class

This will be an opportunity for you to meet the staff, visit your child's classroom, look at class routines, and find out about the curriculum, year group expectations and homework.

Modern Foreign language - French

We shall be following the Rising Stars New Primary French programme in each class which will be led by the class teacher.

Attendance

We believe that every day matters in a child's education and this is backed up by research to show how crucial regular attendance is in ensuring children reach their full potential.

We urge, as parents that you:

- Ensure your child only misses school for reasons which are unavoidable, such as illness

- Always notify the school on the first morning of absence
- Try to avoid booking a family holiday during term time
- Talk to us if your child is reluctant to come to school.

In line with other primary schools, I would like to aim for 97% or above for every child's attendance this year. I really appreciate your support with this and know that many children achieve 100% attendance which is fantastic.

Extreme Reading Challenge

We love to celebrate and encourage a love of reading at Sparsholt C of E Primary School and it has been wonderful to see the photographs of so many children reading in extreme locations during the summer holidays. It's a real joy to see them taking part with such an amazing fun-loving spirit. Unusual reading locations ranged from an inflatable boat, a paddle board, skateboard and a trapeze swing!

Mischief Makers Summer Reading Challenge

In Celebration Worship we have been congratulating many of our children who took part in the Hampshire Library Service Reading Challenge. Over the course of the summer, the children who read at least 6 library were awarded a certificate and medal. All of those who achieved the honour have their photograph displayed in the library.

As we look forward to our new school year we would like to share one of our school prayers with you:

This is our school

Let peace live here

Let the rooms be full of happiness

Let love be all around

Love of one another

Love of all people

Love of life itself

and love of God.

Let us remember that

As many hands make a house,

So many hearts make our school. Amen

My very best wishes and kind regards

Lynn Laver (Headteacher)



Nathan

Please can we ask parents to be extra vigilant in reporting any illnesses present in their homes, including stomach bugs, chicken pox, measles etc. Nathan in Year 4 is currently very vulnerable to any possible infections and as a school community we want to ensure his parents are informed of any possible risks. Thank you for your help.

Get ready for an Animal weekend in Sparsholt on 8th and 9th of September!



Messy Animals

The first Messy Church of the new school year takes place in Sparsholt Memorial Hall from 4pm to 6pm on Saturday 8th September.

For those of you who haven't been to Messy Church before, we have an hour of crafts and activities followed by a Celebration in the church with a Bible story, song and prayers, and then a cooked Messy Tea. It is all free of charge, but donations towards the cost of the meal are welcome. For more information, visit our Facebook page: Messy Church in the Downs Benefice.

The **Pet Service** will take place at 11.00am (please note change of time from previous years) on the Green in Woodman Close on Sunday 9th September; bring your pets to the Service and chairs to sit on. The Service will be followed by a free BBQ lunch (for the humans).

It would be wonderful if the school was well represented at the Pet Service - pupils, families, staff all welcome!

Data Forms coming home for checking

Yr 1 through to Yr 6 children will be coming home today with a copy of the personal and contact details we hold on them. We would appreciate it if you could check and amend the form if necessary and return to the school as soon as possible so we can update our records. Please read the accompanying letter as we will also need consent to process the data of your chosen emergency contacts.

Yr R forms will be sent to parents once the children have settled into school and we have received final contact details from parents.

School Lunches

Polite reminder that we are requesting all overdue lunch invoices from last term are settled by the end of next week and all school lunches going forward are now paid for in advance. Please refer to the parent's letter page on the school website for full details of payments for school lunches, clubs, trips and music tuition - thank you.

Breakfast Club

We are going to trial a breakfast club starting Monday 17th September until Thursday 18th October.

The club would be run by an outside provider from 7.45am to 8.30am Monday to Friday. We would expect the cost to be in the region of £5 per child per session. Booking for places would have to be in advance so that the correct level of staff are in attendance.

Children would be provided with a healthy breakfast (specific dietary requirements will be met wherever possible). Every day there will be a wide range of activities, games and toys to play with.

If you think you would be likely to use breakfast club facilities, please contact the provider directly. Details below:



Nuts in School

We have pupils and staff who have severe allergic reactions to nuts and nut derivatives. This allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of peanut/nut products and cross contamination. Since this condition can be life threatening, we are asking for your help in minimising the risk by:

- avoiding giving your child / children nuts and nut derivatives in school lunches and snacks examples include peanut butter sandwiches, other spreads containing nuts such as Nutella, snacks/bars containing nuts, pesto, nut oils, nut flours and nut milks. (This list is not exhaustive.)
- asking children not to share their lunches.

Due to the severity of the problem, it is important that all parents carry out the suggested measures and reduce the risk of an allergic reaction. We thank you for your co-operation.

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 a few minutes longer and 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.
- There are 3 parking bays closest to the shop are for the use of Post Office/Shop staff only and should only be used to a quick pick-up/drop off only.
- 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 wet weather.
- 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 Thank-you

FoSS Parent Meeting - Friday 14th September 8.45am

There is a FoSS (Friends of Sparsholt School) coffee morning, on Friday 14th September at 8:45am drop-off. All parents welcome - refreshments available.

The FOSS Autumn Social Saturday 29th September

The FOSS Autumn Social is fast approaching! Please come and join us on the evening of Saturday 29th September.

- Location: Winchester Racquets and Fitness Club, Bereweeke Road
- Ticket Price: £20 per person to include a two course dinner and a live band
- Raffle, auction, cash bar and dancing! What better way to spend a Saturday night!
- Tickets available in the playground or complete the attached form and return to the school office.

Texting Service from us to you

At the moment we are using a service called Teachers2Parents. Our 3 year contract is coming to an end and we are looking to change to the same company that hosts our website and VLE - eSchools. Doing this will save us the subscription cost as well as a reduced cost per text message. You won't notice any change to the service or text message you receive from us. Additionally if you chose to download the eSchools app, you will receive a text message that is cost-free for us! More information to follow.

School Clubs commencing September 10th

All after school clubs will commence from Monday 10th September

We will be offering a new timetable of clubs after the school day from September. 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, parent/carers **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 4.30pm for a prompt pick-up by parents/carers, we may bring this time forward to 4.15pm for outdoor clubs as the evenings become darker – thank-you.

Day	After-School Clubs	Notes
Monday	Computing Club Yr 4 - Yr 6 (12 max) Netball Yr 4 - 6 (24 max) Integr8 Rugby Yr 4 - Yr 6 (18 max) Artiology Club Yr 2 - Yr 6	Rugby Club - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport 01962 808398 Artiology Club - registration and payment directly to Halli Ormerod
Tuesday	Choir Yr 1 - Yr 6 (30 max) Bench Ball Yr 2 - Yr 6 (30 max)	
Wednesday	Integr8 Mini Football Club Yr 1 - Yr 3 Integr8 Junior Football Club Yr4 - Yr6	Football Clubs - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport 01962 808398
Thursday	Jnr Lacrosse Yr 3 & Yr 4 (20 max) Snr Lacrosse Yr 5 & Yr 6 (20 max) Recorder Club (Lunchtime) (Yr 1 - Yr 6) Fencing Club (12 minimum)	Lacrosse is a paid for club through the school (£30 for 10 sessions) Fencing is a paid for club registered and payment directly to Jonathan Mann 07554 442320 jdsportscoaching@gmail.com
Friday	Integr8 Multi-Skills Yr 1- Yr 6 Integr8 Dance	Multi-skills Club - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport 01962 808398 Integr8 Dance - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Dance 01962 808398

After School Clubs from 10^{th} September 2018

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

Name of child					
is interested in reg	istering for the following clubs (please tick)				
Computing	Choir Bench Ball Netball				
Jnr Lacrosse	Snr Lacrosse Recorder Club Artiology Club				
Fencing	(Thursday lunchtime)				
New from September 2018 - Lunchtime Children's Yoga (Yr 3 and above)					
Every Wednesday lunchtime 12.30 - 1p.m					
12 weeks £30.00					
Boo	k by email: discoveryaga@btinternet com or telephone 07985 119810				

FOSS AUTUMN EVENT Saturday 29th September @ 7.30pm at The Winchester Racquets & Fitness Club, Bereweeke Road

Tickets are £20 per person to include a welcome drink, two course dinner and a live band. Please complete and return this form asap to book your place.

Your name:	
Your child's name & class:	
Your email address:	
Your contact number:	
Number of tickets required:	
Dietary Requirements:	

Tickets can be paid for by bank transfer. Please use your surname as reference and email katiesimpson08@gmail.com when done se we can trace it.

FOSS Bank Details:

Account name: Friends of Sparsholt School Bank: Santander

Sort code: 090153 Account no: 35353282