

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



24th May 2019

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days
Bag2School Collection
Fab-Friday Drop In
Sports Day (inclement weather reserve day)
Summer Production Dates (time tbc)

22nd & 23rd July
Wed 5th June
Fri 7th June & Fri 5th July 3.30 - 4pm
Fri 14th June 1.30pm (Fri 28th 1.30pm)
Tues 16th 1.30pm & Weds 17th July 6.30pm

Dear Parents and Carers

Core Value Awards

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

	Willow	Beech	Maple	Rowan	Oak
Courage	Scout	Nancy H	Sophie	Emily A	Max
Compassion	Alfie	Cecily	Isabelle	Lilianna	Jenna
Creativity	Gregory	Rocco	Florrie	Tom	Max

Super Successful Spring Concert

To end a fantastic half-term every child in the school took part in our superb Spring Concert yesterday. The African themed songs performed by each class were beautifully sung and creatively performed. Our school brass players, keyboardists, pianists, guitarists, flautists, clarinettists and recorder players played their pieces beautifully, with a fantastic mix of solo and group performances. The children were absolutely brilliant and we are so proud of their enthusiasm and their growing confidence in performing to an audience. Many thanks to HMS and especially Mrs Leitzell for all her hard work and for leading music in our school.

Regional Pop Lacrosse Competition

The Sparsholt School Pop Lacrosse teams: Scorpions, Serpents and Sharks, competed in the Regional Pop Lacrosse Tournament at Fleming Park Leisure Centre in Eastleigh on Tuesday. All three teams played to an excellent standard, displaying high levels of skill, fitness and lacrosse stick finesse. Well done to all our players who showed passion, determination, teamwork and self-belief throughout the tournament.



Sponsored Skip-A-thon Sensation for Karis Kids!

Every pupil in the school had great fun completing the sponsored skip-A-thon challenge this week. Skipping styles demonstrated included; criss-cross, double jumps, one foot jumps, double under and speed step. Group jump rope rhymes and French skipping were also a massive hit! We are hoping children will collect money pledged from sponsors over the half-term and bring back to school the week beginning 3rd June - thank you in advance for your support.



The children of Sparsholt C of E Primary School present our...

Spring Concert

Thursday 23rd May 2019

Featuring class songs for Africa

Retiring collection for Karis Kids

Our collection is raising money for Karis Kids. By donating you will help support the lives of children and orphans in South Africa, Uganda.

Karis Kids has already helped to support over 100 families and 500 children.

Join the team today

A Special Mention to...

- Tom, Elin, Maisie and Claudia who won medals for floor and apparatus at the South Region Gymnastics competition in Portsmouth last weekend. Well-done!
- Matilda and Megan who won a medal for competing in a Survivor Mud Run Competition. The girls conquered whatever obstacles got in their way by running, climbing, jumping and crawling their way through lots of mud!
- Our very own star of the stage Sparsholt singing super-star Miss Conroy! Her stunning performance in Made In Dagenham at the Theatre Royal has won critical acclaim and we are extremely proud of her!



Eco Inspiration!

Ollie, Jamie and Blake from Rowan Class have been taking eco-action this week by improving the quality of our school environment. The boys litter picked the grounds three times and have asked that if anyone notices an increase in litter to report it to the Eco-Team. They are thinking of ways of reducing the amount of litter dropped on the school field.

Collective Worship this Week

Rev'd Jax led worship this week; we reflected on the hope we are giving to orphaned children in Kampala, Uganda by our kind fundraising efforts. We thought about the similarities and differences between our lives and the lives of children living in the slums of Kampala. Rev'd Jax praised us for working together to make a positive difference to lives of children who have less than us. We prayed together;

Dear God,

Please help us to look for opportunities to be kind, compassionate and loving to others.

Help us to put thoughts of others before ourselves and to bring help and hope to those in need.

Amen

I hope you have a restful and enjoyable half term holiday and I look forward to seeing the children on Monday 3rd June.

Jane Gwilliam



Willow Class - FoSS Fundraiser Cake Sale

Thank you to all those who baked, and bought, cakes last week. We raised an impressive £135, which will all go to FoSS. Thanks for your support! Lisa and Nicky

FOSS Parent Request

FOSS are planning another Autumn Social Event in September. We would be really grateful if any parents have anything to offer for the raffle or auction element of the event. Please do have a think, it really can be anything. Previous prizes have varied from a pot of jam to a week in a holiday home. Perhaps your workplace could offer something or you have a contact who is feeling charitable? We can send out official letters if required and can happily promote any business who donates at the event. Please speak to one of the FOSS team or email friendsofsparsholtschool@gmail.com with your help. It would be great to kick off the 19-20 school year with a big fundraiser. Thank you.

Don't Forget...Bag2Schools Collection - Wednesday 5th June

Bags came home with children this week for you to clear out wardrobes...drawers...etc over the holidays 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 work wear; textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.

Bags2 Schools will be collecting on Wednesday 5th June - please keep your bags at home until the morning of the 5th 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 and Littleton.

School Meal Prices from September - Information from HCC

Following the Executive Member for Children's Services Decision Day on 8th May 2019, it has been agreed that the price for a two course, hot school meal will rise by 4.3% in **September 2019**, from £2.30 to £2.40. The revised charge reflects inflationary pressures associated with food costs and staff pay which rose by 6.4% in April 2019, when the hourly pay rate for catering assistants was increased nationally. Over 90% of the cost of a school meal covers food and staff costs, with related overheads accounting for the remainder. Supplying school meals at cost, keeps the price as low as possible for Hampshire residents and ensures they receive value for money.