

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days FoSS Meeting in the Memorial Hall - All Welcome Leadership Team Vision Meeting for Parents Yr 6 Parents SATs Meeting 14th Feb 2020, 26th June, 22nd July Tuesday 14th January 8.45am Wednesday 29th January 6 - 6.30pm Thursday 30th January 6 - 7pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe how quickly this week has gone - Christmas now seems like a very distant memory. The children have come back looking refreshed and ready to learn and their engagement in their learning has been a pleasure to see. The children have decided that as a school, they would like to start 2020 by working together to become more environmentally aware. Our Eco team and Pupil Governors are currently drawing up a list of priorities for the coming year. As discussed in Worship, the children realise that whilst we may feel like David we can in fact defeat Goliath if

we all do our bit and show real courage in regard to protecting our planet.

Not only are the children keen to protect our planet but also to become better global citizens. In Worship today we discussed the diversity of our population and how important it is to celebrate our differences instead of being divided by them and ensure we treat everyone with respect and kindness regardless of their backgrounds or beliefs.

As I have walked around the school this week, I have seen the most amazing learning taking place. Maple started their Ancient Egyptian topic by making papyrus paper whilst Rowan were discussing Space and our Solar system. Oak Class have been thinking about the significance of the Epiphany and imagining how it must have felt for one of the three wise man to be some of the first people to see baby Jesus. They did a phenomenal job of presenting this in whole school collective Worship which they organised and led themselves. Tigers have been the order of the day, with Beech starting their: Paws, Claws and Whiskers topic. The children have been fully immersed in the story 'The Tiger That Came to Tea'. This morning Willow Class had their first Friday family reading session which was enjoyed by all who attended.

We are very much looking forward to the term ahead and all that it brings.

I hope you all have a lovely relaxing weekend

Mrs Hanratty

Core Christian Value Awards

We were very proud to commend our Core Christian Value Award recipients in Celebration Worship today. Three children from each class are nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: Courage, Compassion and Creativity

	Willow	Beech	Maple	Rowan	Oak
Courage	Henry	Toby	Nancy	Cecily	Emily A
Compassion	Lucy	David	Beatrix	Isabelle	Ollie G
Creativity	Dixie	Hattie	Scarlett	Lyla	Caroline

Be Bright, Be Seen Competition

Over the Christmas holidays we asked Sparsholt pupils to come up with a design for a school book bag or p.e. bag, backpack, hi-viz clothing, scooter or bicycle reflector that would be easy to see at night or when the weather is bad (torrential rain/fog/snow). They could make use of all the bright, reflective and florescent coloured paper that might be lying around after the festive season! Or if stuck for ideas, children could colour and/or stick with reflective material, the black and white pictures, showing day and night-time scenes which can be found on the parent letter page of the school website.

We have had some amazing entries in so far, but if you haven't had time to complete your entry, we have extended the closing date to Monday 13th January. Thank-you

Application to Sparsholt C of E Primary School (Year R) in September 2020

This is a reminder that the deadline for applying for a place for your child/children to start Year R in September 2020 is **midnight on Wednesday 15 January 2020**.

Service Pupil Premium (SPP)

Service Pupil Premium (SPP) was introduced by the Department for Education (DfE) as part of the commitment to delivering the Armed Forces Covenant. SPP enables schools to provide extra, mainly pastoral, support for children with parents in the regular Armed Forces. SPP is paid directly to state schools, free schools and academies across England for supporting Service children. The amount is £300 per child in classes Reception to Year 11

Who is eligible?

Children of regular service personnel (PStat Cat 1 and 2 only) who have been recorded as Service children on any January census since 2015 in state schools, free schools and academies in England in Yr Reception to Yr 11 are eligible for SPP.

Schools can claim SPP for children of regular Service Personnel, for those who have had a Service parent who has died in Service as well as those who have left including through injury for up to a maximum of six years or up to the end of Year 11 (whichever comes first).

If a child is not recorded as a Service child whilst the parent is serving, and the Service person has left the Services, schools will not be able to claim SPP.

The deadline for recording Service children on the next January census is 16 January 2020. If you are unsure of your child's status, please contact the school office for further details ahead of this date. *School Clubs commencing Monday 13th January*

All after school clubs will commence from Monday 13th January.

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 goinghome 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 will extend this time forward to 4.30pm for outdoor clubs as the evenings become lighter – thank-you.

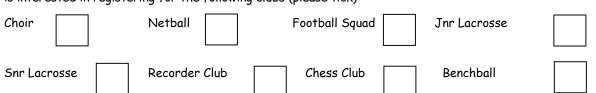
Day	After-School Clubs	Notes		
Monday	Artiology Club Yr 2 - Yr 6	Artiology Club - registration and payment directly		
	Fencing Club (12 minimum)	to Mrs Ormerod hallimarie@googlemail.com		
		Fencing is a paid for club registration and payment		
	Chess Club (Lunchtime) Yr 3 - Yr 6	directly to Jonathan Mann 07554 442320		
		jdsportscoaching@gmail.com		
Tuesday	Choir Yr 1 - Yr 6 (30 max)			
lessey	Football Squad Club Yr 4 - 6	Benchball Clubs - registration directly to Integr8		
	Benchball Yr 2 - Yr 6 (20 max)	Sport 01962 808398		
Wednesday	MadScience Club Yr 1 - 3	MadScience - register directly online at		
Wednesday	Integr8 Mini Football Club Yr 1 - Yr 3	wessex.madscience.org		
	Integr8 Junior Football Club Yr4 - Yr6	Football Clubs - registration and payment directly to		
	Netball Yr 4 - 6 (24 max)	Integr8 Sport 01962 808398		
		Netball is a paid for club - £30 per term to school		
Thursday	Jnr Lacrosse Yr 3 & Yr 4 (20 max)	Lacrosse is a paid for club through the school (£30		
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	Recorder Club (lunchtime) (Yr 1 - Yr 6)			
Friday	Integr8 Dance	Integr8 Dance - registration and payment directly		
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After School Clubs from 13th January 2020

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)



Integr8 Dance Sessions - Fridays

Integr8 Dance have some spaces available in their after school classes this term (Fridays from 3.30pm in the village hall). Integr8 Dance have an annual 'Dance Off' show coming up in the summer term where all Integr8's schools get together and put on a show at a local theatre. This is usually a big hit and the children love to be able to showcase their moves on stage!

Please register directly with Integ8 Dance 01962 808398

Netball Club - Wednesdays

At short notice our lovely netball coach, Olivia, has informed us she is off to work abroad so will not be joining us for the Spring term. However, we have found another netball coach to come in and take over. The cost of the netball tuition will be £30 per term, which will be payable directly to the school.

Benchball Club - Tuesdays

An outside provider (Integr8 Sport) will be coming in to coach benchball during the summer term. Please register directly with integr8 Sport on 01962 808398 or with the school office. There will not be a cost for this club

Hampshire Music Service Tuition for Spring Term

If your child is interested in learning either a brass instrument or guitar / ukulele with HMS, please contact the school office as soon as possible.