Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Dates for your diaries

Inset Days from September 2021 **Spots and Stripes or Something Bright - Children in Need** Bring and Buy Toy Sale KS1 Nativity School Christmas Parties KS2 Kaleidoscope **School Christmas Lunch** Monday 31st January 2022, Monday 27th June 2022 **Friday 19th November – see separate letter** Friday 26th November Friday 10th December Monday 13th December Tuesday 14th December Thursday 16th December – **see menu attached**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had yet another amazing week here at school with the children continuing to demonstrate their enthusiasm and support for each other and the wider community.

On Wednesday, we had a representative come in from our international charity Karis Kids to thank the children for their amazing fundraising efforts and to let them know what the funds had been spent on. This included essential items such as shoes for the children attending school, and the provision of hot meals. It really does demonstrate what an amazing school community we have.

On Thursday, we held our Remembrance Service outside. It was a truly moving service with the children showing both their understanding and respect. Some of our younger children showed the artwork they had produced as a sign of remembrance whilst our older children read moving prayers and the iconic In Flanders Field poem. The stillness as we stood outside during the period of silence was a true testament of the children's understanding about what others had given up to ensure freedom for others.

This week, the children were also treated to a truly awe-inspiring visit from Super Sian from the 'Mad Science Club' who wowed the children with an array of truly impressive Science experiments including creating light in a bottle. A new after school 'Mad Science' club will be starting in January and details of how to sign up are at the end of the newsletter.

I would like to thank all the parents who attended the School Improvement presentation this morning and to our amazing Pupil Governors who presented their School Improvement Plans.

Finally, I would like to welcome two new Parent governors to our Governing body. Mr Penton and Mr Parker, both of whom have two children at the school, and come with a wealth of experience that I know will support us in ensuring that we do the absolute best for the children and the rest of the school community.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty

Core Christian Value Awards

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

	Willow	Beech	Maple	Rowan	Oak
Courage	Pippa	Harrison	Fallon	Erin	Isaac
Compassion	Gus	Scarlett	Annabel	Molly	Daisie
Creativity	Skyla	Beth	Seb	Nancy H	Hannah

Remembrance Day

Thank you all for your contributions of poppies for our school display – it looked incredible.

ance We wanted to share this wonderful poem Written by Sophia S in Oak Class.

A Huge Thank you!

We just wanted to say a huge thank you for some of the brilliant money-raising efforts that have taken place over the last couple of weeks. With school budgets as tight as they are, every penny raised for the school is invaluable!

The mountain of bags wrapped around the tree in front of school for Bag2Schools was a fantastic sight last week and you managed to raise an incredible £167.70. Also, with some very yummy looking cakes at the Bonfire cake sale, you raised £131.24. A big thank you also to the Plough who have donated £230 to the school from their pancakes and games on Halloween.

Year R Applications for September 2022

Applications for year R admissions for September 2022 opened on 1st November 2021 and close on 15th January 2022. Information on starting school and how to apply can be found on the Hampshire Admissions website – <u>www.hants.gov.uk/admissions</u>. We welcome visits to the school and if you know of any families looking for year R places, please ask them to contact the school office who can arrange a tour of the school with Mrs Hanratty.

Flu Immunisation

The E-Consent programme has now reopened. Any parent/carer who missed the consent deadline for the flu immunisation in school but still wishes for their child to receive it, should now be able to book onto a local clinic. The unique school code is SH116317. Once you have completed the form and received the confirmation email, please go to https://www.southernhealthimmunisations.co.uk/ClinicBooking/Booking You will be able to select a clinic, date and time. You will need your booking reference to book a clinic appointment, if this is not on your confirmation email, please email your child's name, date of birth and school to northwesthantsimmunisationteam@southernhealth.nhs.uk and we can provide this.

Car Parking In Woodman Close / Bostock Close

We would like to take this opportunity to kindly remind parents and carers that if you are parking in Woodman or Bostock Close and walking up to school, please ensure that you do not impede any disabled bays or driveways.

School clubs

• Change of finish time

The nights are well and truly drawing in, so we will be asking parents and carers to pick up children from all our after school sports clubs, as well as the choir and music club, promptly at 4:15pm instead of 4.30pm, week commencing 15th November.

• New clubs

Please see the attached leaflets for some new clubs starting and details of how to sign up.

Christmas Holiday Lunch Scheme

Winchester Basics Bank is inviting families with school-aged children (who live or attend a school in the Winchester city and surrounding areas) who feel they need some extra help over the school holidays to register for their Holiday Lunch Scheme. You do not need to be receiving Free School Meals to take advantage of this scheme; if you need a little extra help this year please apply. We are still awaiting confirmation if shopping vouchers will be provided for those children who receive FSM, so if you do we ask that you don't also claim for the food parcel too (but please register whilst we await the announcement). The scheme will provide food for 10 lunches per child. If you need more support, please register for a full food parcel for all the family - www.winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk/get-help. Please be aware that the food supplied is designed to replace the hot meal; rather than food items suitable for packed meals.

Christmas Artwork

Your children's festive artwork is now available online with lots of wonderful gift ideas for Christmas! To access the artwork you can visit <u>https://mychildsart.co.uk/order/parent-portal/login</u>. Enter the username **Sparsholt** and password **Px68k8Lf**. Use the code "**Sparsholt**" before the 12th November for an extra 10% discount.

Littleton Posada

Good news - we are able to organise the village Posada as usual this year! For those who haven't taken part before, Mary, Joseph, donkey and a flock of sheep (all knitted!) travel round the village, spending each night with a different family. You are free to entertain them in whatever way you like - their accompanying diaries list their adventures from previous years and are always delightful to read. The Posada starts with a service in St Catherine's Church at 4pm on Sunday 5th December (we love to get the children involved with this), and finishes with the Crib Service in Church at 4pm on Christmas Eve. If you live in Littleton and would like to join in, then please email the following information to <u>carolcoleman123@hotmail.com</u>:

- your family name
- contact details (phone and address)
- any dates you would not be able to host between Sunday 5th and Friday 24th December
- whether or not you plan to come to the service on Sunday 5th December

For more details, and photos from previous years, visit our Facebook page (Littleton Posada)



AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB

Complement Your Child's Learning Experience with a Mad Science After-School Club. Our unique approach gives children a solid scientific foundation that goes beyond the classroom, through hands-on activities and spectacular demonstrations.

SIGN UP FOR YOUR COURSE TODAY SPARSHOLT SCHOOL

Day and Time: Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm Dates: 12th January 2022 – 30th March 2022 Programme Duration:11 x 1-hour sessions Cost: £88 Please register by: 10th December 2021

REGISTER ONLINE



Year 1&2 Football Skills After School Club

Wednesday / Year 1 & 2

17/11/2021 - 15/12/2021

15:30 - 16:30

Please ensure your child wears shin pads and has outdoor trainers and football boots

Price: £3.60 per session

Book here: https://activeme360.class4kids. co.uk/info/135 Our mission is To change lives by improving health and wellbeing using the power of physical activity, sport and education.

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Location: Sparsholt Primary School Woodman Lane, Winchester, SO21 2NR As a proud Social Enterprise we do things differently. We exist to add social value by ensuring the profits we make are reinvested back into local communities to enable social change, and support us in achieving our mission.



This means when you buy from us, your community benefits.



This year's Christmas Lunch will be held on Thursday 16th December 2021.

Required from all our children - please indicate preferred option so that HC3S can provide the chosen meal.

Main Course

Roast Turkey & chipolata sausage, with roast potatoes, brussel sprouts, peas and carrots or Vegetable Wellington & vegan sausage, with roast potatoes, brussel sprouts, peas and carrots.

Dessert

Christmas Biscuit or Fresh Fruit Salad

My child does not want Christmas Lunch and will bring a packed lunch

To allow the kitchen to order stock please return this form to school office as soon as possible.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals and / or is in KS1, no additional payment is required. If your child normally pays for their lunches, the Christmas lunch is charged at £2.50 as per a standard meal. Please ensure that there is sufficient credit in your child's online SCOPay account in advance of Thursday 16th December if your child would like to have a Christmas Lunch. Alternatively, your child can bring in £2.50 in cash in a named and sealed envelope along with this form. Any questions, please contact the School Office. Thank you.

Child's Name: Class:

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SPARSHOLT CHRISTMAS TREE ORDER FORM

Now in our 9th year, Sparsholt Village Shop and Sparsholt Primary School have teamed up with our reputable Christmas tree supplier to provide beautiful **Nordmann Fir non drop trees** at a reasonable price. The quality of the trees is excellent – if you want to know more, please ask around – we have provided hundreds of trees to the village and school over the years.

This year the trees will be available for collection outside the Village Hall on Sunday 5th December. Time to be confirmed. Simply fill in the form below and give it back to the shop or school office with payment by Friday 26th November.

All money raised will go to the school and the shop.

Name:_

Telephone Number (Mobile & Home if poss)_____

Email address:

Premium grade Nordmann Fir (non drop)	Price per tree	Quantity required	Total amount (£)
3 – 4 ft	£27		
4 – 5 ft	£31		
5 – 6 ft	£38		
6 - 7 ft	£48		
7 – 8 ft	£57		
TOTAL			

For office use (please circle the method of payment given)

PAYMENT DETAILS: CASH / CHEQUE (made to FOSS) / ONLINE PAYMENT TO FOSS

Cheques payable to FOSS please

FOSS Bank Details: Account name: Friends of Sparsholt School. Bank: Santander

Sort code: 090153