



11th January 2019

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days

FoSS Coffee Morning Meeting

SATS information evening for Yr 6 parents

Library Information Evening for all parents

15th February, 22nd & 23rd July

Friday 18th January 8.45am

Monday 21st January 6.30pm

Thursday 24th January 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	Solomon	Aubrey	Megan Ba	Lylah	Ellis
Compassion	Scout	Inigo	Isabelle	Oscar	Leo
Creativity	Zac	Nancy S	Maddie	Eddie	Daniel George

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! It's been fantastic to see the children refreshed from their break looking smart and eager to continue their exciting journey of learning in 2019. We had an enthusiastic response to our Christmas Holiday Reading Challenge, it's been a delight to read comments from parents, grandparents, relatives and friends. We even had children reading over the phone and on skype to members of the family! What a fantastic way to reinforce the joy of reading. I hope this will be a springboard to make 2019 the year where we strengthen our home - school partnership, to make reading an enjoyable shared experience, where all our children connect reading to positive feelings, that motivate them to choose to read for pleasure.

Welcome to Mr Davies!

We were delighted to welcome Mr Davies to our school as interim head teacher this week. Mr Davies has very much enjoyed getting to know staff and children and was also pleased to meet a few parents. He is very much looking forward to meeting more of you in the coming weeks.

Winchester College Partnership

We are very proud of our strong partnership with Winchester College. Every Wednesday this term Dr Barron and his team of students will inspire Oak class by conducting a range of practical experiments. Investigative themes for this term include: magnetic fields, electrical circuits, pinhole photography and acids and alkalis.

Later this term we look forward to a group of Winchester College Jazz Musicians performing to the whole school. The concert promises to provide an eclectic musical repertoire to inspire our children.



Parent Information Evening - Reading at Greater Depth - 24th January 2019 6.30pm

We are delighted to be welcoming Bridget Rowley (School Library Service) back to Sparsholt C of E Primary school on 24th January. All parents are warmly invited to come along and share new titles from the wonderful world of children's literature. Bridget will also offer ideas on how to engage your children in reading. Parental feedback from Bridget's presentations have always been extremely positive, so please do try to attend and we promise an inspirational and informative evening - refreshments will be available!



Worship this Week - New Beginnings

This week we have reflected on how the new year gives us the opportunities to have new beginnings. We thought about setting ourselves new goals for 2019. We shared examples of our hopes and dreams and what we hope to achieve this year. As a whole school we decided our New Year Resolutions would be to

'Make every second count' and 'Treat others as you want to be treated'. We thought about putting our hope in God and that God is always there and will never let you down. He is true hope.

We lit our worship candles and prayed together.

Dear God

Thank you for new beginnings

Thank you that we can start afresh this year

Please help us to achieve all our hopes and dreams

In 2019 please help us to use the teachings of Jesus to guide us in all we do,

Help us find the courage and compassion to treat others as we would like to be treated.

Help us to have true hopes and help us to have hope in you.

Amen

My very best wishes

Jane Gwilliam



Payment for Lunches

Payments for school lunches should be made a half-term **in advance**. We would prefer payment using our online SCOPay facility (using debit or credit card); alternatively, cheques can be made payable to Sparsholt CE Primary School or cash can come into the office in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name and the amount enclosed.

Application to Sparsholt C of E Primary School (Year R) in September 2019

This is a reminder that the deadline for applying for a place for your child/children to start Year R in September 2019 is **midnight on Tuesday 15 January 2019**.

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

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.

Sparsholt - Farley Mount 10km Race - Sunday 12th May

Dust off your trainers and start limbering up for the biannual Sparsholt to Farley Mount 10km race (with a 5km option). Walkers, crawlers, dog-walkers are all welcome! More details to follow or speak to Mrs Edgecombe.

Messy Fiery Furnace

You may have heard about Daniel and the lions' den, but do you know what happened to his three friends, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego? To find out, come along to Crawley Church at 4pm on Saturday 12th January for the next Messy Church. There'll be the usual mix of activities, the Bible story and Messy Tea.

For more information, see our Facebook page (Messy Church in the Downs Benefice) or contact Carol Coleman (carolcoleman123@hotmail.com)

Funeral - Friday 18th January 2019

There will be a funeral taking place at St. Stephens in the afternoon of Friday 18th and the car park will be busy. Please park considerately and make use of the school bus if you can.

School Clubs commencing Monday 14th January 2019

The timetable of after school clubs will continue from January 2019. 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.

Day	After-School Clubs	Notes
Monday	Computing Club Yr 4 - Yr 6 (12 max) Netball Yr 4 - 6 (24 max) Artiology Club Yr 2 - Yr 6 Fencing Club (12 minimum)	Artiology Club - registration and payment directly to Halli Ormerod hallimarie@googlemail.com Fencing is a paid for club registered and payment directly to Jonathan Mann 07554 442320 jdsportscoaching@gmail.com
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 Science Club Yr 1 - Yr 3	Football Clubs - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport 01962 808398 Science Club - register and pay online madscience.org
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) - Lunchtime	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 Tag Rugby Yr 3- Yr 6 Integr8 Dance	Tag Rugby 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 14th January 2019

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"/>	Choir	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bench Ball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Netball	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jnr Lacrosse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Snr Lacrosse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recorder Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	Artiology Club	<input type="checkbox"/>