

## SPARSHOLT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWS  
25<sup>th</sup> January 2018

### Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates (2018)

Yr 6 SATSs Information Evening

Parent Information Evenings:

“If you read you will succeed” – inspiring your child to read

What does “greater depth” look like in Primary Maths

Bag2Schools Collection

Parent drop-in VLE information evening

FoSS Family Quiz Night

Parent / Teacher Consultation Evenings

26<sup>th</sup> Jan 18, 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 18, 25<sup>th</sup> May 18, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 18  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 7pm

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 7-8pm

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> March 7-8pm

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 5.30 – 6.30pm

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 6pm-8pm

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> March

### Weekly Update from Mrs Laver

Dear Parents and Carers

*WWF Toy Sale*

The Toy Sale raised £94.50 for the World Wild Life Fund. This has been forwarded to the charity to help them with their valuable work.

*'If you read you will succeed' Parent Information Evening - Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 7pm*

We are hoping many of the parents of Year R to Year 6 children will attend our first curriculum information evening next Thursday at 7pm. Bridgit, Director of Children's Reading from the Hampshire Library Service will share the latest children's books and suggest ways to encourage your child to have a life-long love of books and reading. Refreshments will be served. Please do try to attend.

*INSET Day Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January*

All staff will be involved in a Local Common Closure Day tomorrow. They will be working with colleagues from Winchester Primary and Secondary schools in subjects ranging from Mindfulness to Effective Teaching Strategies.

I hope you have a lovely day with your children.

Thank you for your continued encouragement and support.

Kind regards,

*Lynn Laver -Headteacher*

### Home to School Transport and Post-16 Transport

The County Council is asking for your views on proposals to change Home to School Transport and Post-16 Transport. The proposals are to continue to meet the County Council's legal requirements, but to limit any discretionary provision. The proposed changes would result in cost savings of up to £1.54m. Consultation open until 13 March 2018.

Views are being sought on the following proposed changes:

- To stop providing new Home to School Transport to children with Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities attending nursery placements from September 2018
- To only provide Home to School Transport once a child reaches compulsory school age from September 2019
- To implement the revised walking distance from two miles to three miles on a child's eighth birthday from September 2018
- To remove the automatic right to Post-16 Transport for new placements from September 2018
- To charge where transport is provided as an exception to policy.

**Please have your say:**

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/home-to-school-transport>

### Hampshire Music Service and School Music Tuition

We have availability for guitar or ukulele with Hampshire Music Service. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you would like your child to start tuition.

## **Year R Parents Stay-and-Play Invitation**

This is an opportunity for you to come in and enjoy some 'discovery time' with your child (younger siblings welcome)

- ***Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 3:00-3:25pm***

### **Bag2Schools Collection – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

Bags will be coming home with children shortly to give you a chance to clear out wardrobes...drawers...etc over the half-term 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 workwear; textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.

Bags2 Schools will be collecting on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February** – please keep your bags at home until the morning of the 21<sup>st</sup> 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, Littleton and Sparsholt College.

Thank-you

### **Littleton and Harestock Show - [www.lhshow.org.uk](http://www.lhshow.org.uk)**

The Littleton and Harestock Show organisers are looking for anyone who would like to help with the next show. All volunteers are welcome! They are looking for help in particular with programme production, advertising, raffle, show entry, getting more children involved and social media, especially Facebook. If you are interested, please let me know or e-mail me at [richandnicki@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:richandnicki@hotmail.co.uk) and I can send more information. Thanks, Nicki Harrison (Daniel's mum, Oak Class)

### **Crawley Players presents “Peter Pan” - 2nd, 3rd and 4th February 2018**

Once again Crawley Players have got together to bring you their version of a popular classic in pantomime form. The costumes and props have been dusted off, the stage is built and if you have been in the village in the evenings or at the weekend recently, we are sure you would have heard singing coming from the village hall.

**This year Crawley Players will kindly donate a £1 to FOSS for each ticket sold to a family from Sparsholt Primary School.** So come and have an hour or two of old fashioned pantomime fun and frolic with all the usual hilarity and help raise funds for the school too! Tickets are selling fast so don't be disappointed.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/crawley-players-present-peter-pan-tickets-39495815046>