

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



21st June 2019

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days (dates in bold TBC)

Sports Day
Fab-Friday Drop In
Summer Production Dates
Mad Hatter's Tea party

22nd & 23rd July, **4th Sept 2019**, **15th Nov 2019**, **14th Feb 2020**, **26th June 2020**, **22nd July 2020**
Fri 28th June 1.30pm
Fri 5th July 3.30 - 4pm
Tues 16th 1.30pm & Weds 17th July 6.30pm
Thurs 18th July 3.30pm

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	Olivia	Scarlett	Livvy	Blake	Jenna
Compassion	Verity	Anna	Cecily	Jacob	George
Creativity	Scout	Beatrix	Lyla	Amelia	Cecily

Staff Changes

Miss Conroy will be leaving Sparsholt at the end of this year to take up a teaching post at Harrow International School in Hong Kong. Although we will be very sad to say goodbye, we are extremely grateful for Miss Conroy's outstanding contribution to our school over the last two years. Miss Conroy has been a surge of inspiration throughout our learning community and will be particularly remembered for her contribution to the performing arts in our school. We're brimming with pride because Miss Conroy went through a particularly competitive recruitment process, involving three spoken and written rounds, which culminated in her being selected for one vacancy out of 76 candidates. Miss Conroy hopes to use this opportunity to set up an international educational link between the two schools and include Sparsholt School in her adventures in Asia.

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that, following interviews, we have appointed Mr Mark McGettigan as a full time teacher and Mrs Morrissey-Leggett two days a week to cover Mrs Wall's maternity leave; we are very excited to welcome them to Sparsholt. I can now confirm the staffing for the Autumn term:

- Willow Class: R/1 Mrs Wollam and Mrs Morrissey-Leggett
- Beech Class: Year 1/ 2 Miss Barber
- Maple Class: Year 3/4 Miss Burbridge
- Rowan Class: Year 4/5 Mr McGettigan
- Oak Class: Year 5 /6 Mrs Gwilliam

Letters will be sent to parents on Wednesday 3rd July confirming which class your child will join in September in readiness for class transition morning on Friday 5th July. Pupil reports will be sent home on Friday 12th July.

Best Wishes and Baby Bunting Blessings to Mrs Wall!

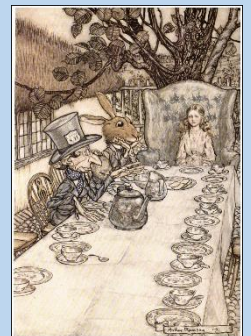
In celebration worship today Willow class presented their teacher with some special baby bunting they had created to wish Mrs Wall their best wishes as she leaves us to start her maternity leave today. She was presented with a voucher, flowers and three big cheers and we wished her and her family our congratulations!

Mad Hatter's Tea Party - Thursday 18th July from 3.30pm

Parents and children are invited to our end of term Mad Hatter's Tea Party on the school field. This will be an opportunity to say thank you and good luck to Miss Conroy and our Year 6 Leavers. Please do bring a picnic blanket, cakes and nibbles to share. We will provide cups of tea and lemonade. Please note all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pop- Lacrosse National Finals!

After qualifying at the Southern Regional Pop Lacrosse finals in May our super-talented Sparsholt Scorpion Team - Stanley, Luke, William, Joshua, Maisie, Elsa, Elin and Layla will be competing at the National Finals at the National Sports Centre in Sheffield this weekend. Good luck from everyone here at Sparsholt School- play well and have fun! C'mon Sparsholt C of E Primary School!



Courage, Compassion and Creativity at Calshot 2019!

This afternoon our year 6 pupils returned from their exhilarating residential week at Calshot Activity Centre with big smiles on their faces; happy they had enjoyed an awesome week having had so much fun with friends and having achieved so much through teamwork, personal endeavour and resilience. During the week they courageously experienced adventurous activities such as: rock climbing, skiing, kayaking and sailing. Many thanks to Miss Barber, Miss Burbridge and Mr Rule for accompanying the children this week.



Special mention to ...

Bertie, for his highly creative dragon sketch - Well done!

Outdoor Collective Worship this Week

I was delighted that all the children were able to say our favourite school blessing together in our outdoor worship this week. Many children could say it off by heart and can explain why it is so meaningful and important, helping us remember to use the teachings of Jesus to guide us through our lives. We would like to share this blessing with the whole community as we wish you an enjoyable weekend.

Lord of the loving heart, May mine be loving too.

Lord of the gentle hands, May mine be gentle too.

Lord of the willing feet, May mine be willing too.

So I may grow more like you in all I say and do.

I hope you have a fabulous weekend!

Best wishes,

Jane Gwilliam



FoSS Toy Stall at Sparsholt Village Fete (Saturday 29th June)

FoSS will have a toy stall at Sparsholt's Village Fete again this year, so we are looking for any donations of 'good quality' toys that we can sell. We will also need a few volunteers to help man to the stall, so if you're thinking of coming along and can spare 30mins, please let us know - friendsofsparsholtschool@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE - FOSS September Social
Saturday 21st September 2019

7pm-12pm

Winchester Racquets and Fitness Club

Curry, Disco, Live Band, Bake Off, Raffle, Auction

£25.00 per person

Tickets will be available on Sports Day and from then on. Please do sign up this term.

Music tuition from September 2019

We are assuming all musicians are carrying on with their tuition unless you have already contacted the school office. With our Year 6's leaving us we have some space for paid-for music tuition. Clarinet, Flute (Yr 3+) - 1 space in each, & Guitar (Year 2+) - 1 space. First-come-first-served. Please contact the school office if interested.

End of Term Trip, Sports Clubs, Music and After School Kid's Club Invoices

Invoices were sent out to parents for outstanding amounts owed to the school (school clubs, music tuition, extended school provision (after school club) and other activities at the end of the previous half-term. If you have misplaced invoices, please contact the school office or check your statement online. We would very much appreciate full settlement as soon as possible - thank-you.

End of Term Lunch Invoices

Overdue lunch invoices up to and including **Friday 19th July** will be sent out in book bags on the last day of term. You can use our online facility (via the Sparsholt School website) to pay the outstanding amounts at any time.

Please note that our charging policy states school lunches, clubs and activities must be paid for in advance.

Job Vacancy - Clerk to the Full Governing Body

On behalf of the school, we would first like to say thank you to Kate Morey who has held the position of Clerk for the last year but has recently stepped down due to her exciting new appointment as Co-opted Governor for the school. Kate has been an invaluable asset to school governance in her time as Clerk and has in a short time made a sustainable impact on the efficiency and effectiveness of how the Full Governing Body is administered and operates.

Kate's departure now opens up a rare vacancy for the position of Clerk to the Full Governing Body, starting July 2019. This is the only paid role on the Governing Body and requires approximately 60 hours of work per year. The Clerk works closely alongside the Governing Body and is integral to administering sound and compliant governance within the school.

We welcome applications from candidates with the following professional skills and personal attributes:

- A genuine and keen interest in educational policies and procedures.
- An ability to provide advice to the Governing Body, based on specific Clerk training plus ongoing guidance from Hampshire Governor Services.
- A proficiency to administrate meetings of the Governing Body, with a particular focus on the taking and writing up of minutes within a designated timeframe.
- A high level of integrity when dealing with confidential information.
- An understanding of compliance in relation to school governance, including maintaining records and tracking monitoring visits.
- A willingness to undertake additional duties relating to school governance, as and when deemed necessary by the Governing Body.

A full handover will be provided by the outgoing Clerk (thank you Kate!), plus compulsory enrolment onto all Clerking training courses provided by Hampshire County Council.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Kathy Bamber at kathy.bamber@sparsholt.hants.sch.uk for a full job description and application form. The closing date for applications is midday Friday 5th July, with interviews week commencing Monday 8th July.

RAISING FUNDS TO ENHANCE OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

FOSS SEPTEMBER SOCIAL

Let's celebrate the start of the school year and welcome new parents.

**SAT 21ST SEPT 2019
WINCHESTER RACQUET
& FITNESS CLUB
7PM-12AM
CURRY, DISCO, LIVE
BAND, BAKE OFF,
RAFFLE, AUCTION.**

TICKETS £25PP AVAILABLE FROM FOSS AT SPORTS DAY