



21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

## Dates for your diaries

Inset Days  
Back to School  
FoSS Coffee Morning Meeting  
SATS information evening for Yr 6 parents  
Library Information Evening for all parents

15<sup>th</sup> February, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 8.45am  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 6.30pm  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 will be nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: **Courage**, **Compassion** and **Creativity**

	<b>Willow</b>	<b>Beech</b>	<b>Maple</b>	<b>Rowan</b>	<b>Oak</b>
<b>Courage</b>	Oscar	Molly	Sophie N	Grace	Stanley
<b>Compassion</b>	Lucas	Sophia S	Megan Bl	Reuben	Gracie
<b>Creativity</b>	Solomon	Martha	Will J, Florrie	Emily A	Lizzy

### Whole School Christmas Reading for Pleasure Challenge

We would be delighted if every child in the school could embrace the opportunity to read for pleasure during the Christmas holidays. The challenge is to share as many books, magazines, annuals or instruction leaflets, with different members of the family and complete the 'I read for pleasure' bookmarks (see over) ready to bring back to school on Monday 7th January. In the words of Dr Zeuss, "The more you READ, the more things you KNOW the more that you LEARN the more places you go!"

### KS2 Christmas Kaleidoscope Sensation!

KS2 inspired us with their brilliant Christmas Kaleidoscope presentation this week. Shining like stars in the universe, it was sheer joy to witness every child sharing their unique talents, with growing confidence and self-belief. Their singing, acting, bellring, poetry recitals and sparkling stage presence was absolutely stunning! Every child lived out our Christian values of Courage, Creativity and Compassion during rehearsals and each performance. We have received 100% positive audience feedback, thank-you to every one of you!

### Good bye and Thank you!

We said goodbye, thank you and good luck to Mrs Laver and Mrs Lamb today who between them have given 47 years of service to Sparsholt C of E Primary School.

Mrs Lamb has been a wonderful Learning Support Assistant, known by children, staff and parents as a hardworking, kind, positive and extremely glamorous member of the Team! Mrs Lamb is looking forward to spending more time with her family - although it's goodbye, I am sure we will see her at school, supporting her grandchildren.

Mrs Laver has given 22 years of tireless service to our school, she will be sorely missed by children and staff, for her care, commitment and kindness. The children put together an amazing scrapbook of memories, which demonstrated the huge impact she has had on our school community. We wish Mrs Laver all the best, as she starts at her new school in January. Mrs Laver and Mrs Lamb would like to say thank you for all your cards, gifts and kind messages.



### *KS1 and KS2 Christmas Parties*

It was fun all the way at the KS1 and KS2 Christmas parties. Children watched a magician show, played games and danced to disco music. Thank you to FOSS for funding and organising the festive fun.

### *Worship - Reflection*

At celebration worship today we reflected on all the people who have helped us enjoy our week of festive activities. We thought about how Christmas is a time of giving and sharing with those around us. Our worship concluded with a prayer, which we would like to share with you;

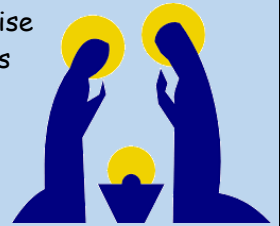
May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the wise men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas. Amen

*Merry Christmas to you all!*

On behalf of all the staff I would like to thank you and the children for all the thoughtful and generous Christmas wishes, cards and presents received this week. We would like to wish each and every family, peace, love, joy and hope this Christmas and in the New Year and look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 7th January 2019.

My very best wishes

Jane Gwilliam



### *Huge thanks from Mrs Laver for your generous gift....*

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Mrs Laver's leaving gift. Your generous donations came to £250 and Mrs Laver was presented with a John Lewis gift voucher at the end of the teaching staffs Christmas dinner celebrations on Thursday night. Bonnie, representing FOSS, Amy & Vic representing past & current parents said a few words, ensuring that Mrs Laver had a sense of the love and support you have shared with us in the playground and on messages since her departure. She was incredibly touched by your kindness and support and very grateful for your gift.



### *Save the Children Jumper Christmas Jumper Day update*

Final total - £108.60 - thank-you

### *Music Tuition for Spring Term 2019*

We are assuming all children learning an instrument with either Mrs Leitzell and/or Hampshire Music Service (HMS) will be continuing in the New Year. At the moment there are no spaces available for music tuition with Mrs Leitzell; however, if your child is interested in learning either a brass instrument or guitar / ukulele with HMS, please contact the school office.

### *Change of time for brass tuition*

Please note Mrs Johnson will come in to Sparsholt Primary School on a **Thursday morning** from 9.20am commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019

### *Sparsholt Crib Service: 4pm on Christmas Eve*



The annual Crib Service will be held in St. Stephen's Church, Sparsholt on Christmas Eve (Monday 24th December) at 4 pm. Do come and join in with Christmas songs and stories, and the blessing of the Crib. All are welcome at this short service to get you in the mood for Christmas!

### *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](http://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.

Name: _____ I read to _____  Comments: _____ _____ _____ _____	 <b>Christmas 2018 Reading For Pleasure Bookmark</b> 
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### 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 Fencing is a paid for club registered and payment directly to Jonathan Mann 07554 442320 <a href="mailto:jdsportscoaching@gmail.com">jdsportscoaching@gmail.com</a>
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 <a href="http://madscience.org">madscience.org</a>
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 <a href="mailto:jdsportscoaching@gmail.com">jdsportscoaching@gmail.com</a>
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 14<sup>th</sup> 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"/>



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## Tuesday 15 January

7.00pm - 8.15pm

for parents of girls in years 6 - 9

Attendance is free of charge. Please reserve your ticket by email to  
[lectures@stswithuns.com](mailto:lectures@stswithuns.com)

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