



5th April 2019

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days

Spring Concert _ ****Rescheduled****

Easter Egg Hunt & Games

Back to school

FoSS Coffee Morning Meeting

Whole School & Parents (!) Skipping Workshops

22nd & 23rd July

Thursday 23rd May 2.00pm

Friday 5th April 3.30 - 5pm

Tuesday 23rd April

Friday 26th April 8.45am

Wednesday 1st May

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	Alexa	Beatrice	William N	Blake	Oli J
Compassion	Fearne	Inigo	Livvy	Bertie	Cecily
Creativity	Matilda	Martha	William T	Radi	Cara

Introduction of MyMaths

I am pleased to announce our new online home learning maths resource is now available to the children. MyMaths is used by the majority of schools in Hampshire and beyond and we have used it in previous years with our pupils.

As our partnership schools have found it to be an effective resource we have felt a trial period over the summer term would be a good time to introduce it back into our curriculum.

Children in Years 1-6 have all been given a log-in to MyMaths and have been set MyMaths home learning tasks to be completed over the Easter break. Teachers are able to check pupil's work so feedback can take place.

MyMaths is not taking the place of the maths pupils do in school, rather it is just another way to consolidate their learning at home.



Hampshire and Isle of White Air Ambulance Service Visit

We had a fantastic promotional assembly delivered by the Hampshire and Isle of White Air Ambulance Service this week to raise awareness of the importance of the charity. The children re-enacted a situation in which the air ambulance might have been called and how the decision to use the air ambulance happens. The service costs an incredible £15,000 per day to use which inspired some rather challenging maths in Year 6 too (how much does the service cost to run for 1 year?).

The pupil governors are planning to hold a fundraising

event in the summer term for the service and we are looking forward to a STEM science based workshop for Year 5 and 6 around the science and maths involved in all aspects of the Air Ambulance later in the summer term.

Jude's Challenge comes to Sparsholt!

On Wednesday, after weeks of preparation, Maple Class presented their own ice cream flavours to Jude and Theo Mezger of 'Jude's ice cream'. Six individual teams created their own company, invented a flavour and pitched it to the experts, as well as offering them a sample to try!

As their prize the winners will be selling 100 tubes of Jude's ice cream and donating 100% of the profits to the charity chosen by the children - Oxfam.



Oak Class- Mad Scientists!

This week Oak Class investigated the use of indicators to determine whether a liquid is acidic or alkaline.

The children had a fantastic time using a range of scientific equipment, PH paper and red cabbage indicator.

Rowan Fairground Outcome

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who attended the fantastic fairground outcome.

What amazing application of science and design technology and an incredible demonstration of creativity and thinking skills!



Netball Match

Our year 5 and 6 netball squad took on the challenge of playing Western Primary School on Wednesday afternoon. The girls demonstrated a stunning array of court skills and teamwork abilities, digging deep with courage to play with determination against strong opposition. Thank you to the parent helpers who transported the team.

Thank you and Farewell to lovely Miss Lawrence

We said 'goodbye and good luck' to Miss Lawrence who is leaving us today. Two dinosaurs presented her with a bottle of champagne and flowers and our amazing children composed this acrostic poem during our celebration worship.



Our lovely Miss ...

L For loving and lovely

A for aspirational and awesome

W for wonderful, wise and willing

R for resilient and reliable

E for enthusiastic and electrifying

N for nurturing and netball

C for creative and caring

E for **EVER LOVED** and **NEVER FORGOTTEN**

We love you Miss Lawrence!



Our worship this week - Easter

Rev'd Jax and our Pupil Worship Teams welcomed the whole school to St Stephen's Church on Thursday for a beautiful and humbling Easter service.

Daniel, Josh, Oli J and William presented an interactive and fun look at the symbolism of Easter food. Oli talked about the significance of the impressive Simnel cake he had made, explaining that traditionally, the marzipan balls represent Jesus' 12 disciples and he told us there were only 11 on his cake as one of the disciples- Judas Iscariot- betrayed Jesus and handed him over to the soldiers. Daniel showed us some hot cross buns and explained that the cross symbol reminds us of Jesus dying on the cross.

Maisie, Lizzy, Elsa, Sofia, India, Rosalind, Layla and Elin used their creativity and collaborative skills to present key moments in the Easter story through their moving enactment. The prayers, reflections and singing were beautiful and deeply thought provoking.

Rev'd Jax helped us to understand what the Easter story means, explaining that it is as a time for mourning but also joyfully accepting Christ's amazing sacrificial gift of forgiveness and love. As the service ended Rev'd Jax presented the children with blessed palm crosses as a reminder of the real meaning of Easter.

Dear God

Thank you for the Easter story and the hope it brings.

Thank you for the life of Jesus and the examples he is to us all.

Thank you that his life, death and resurrection changed the world

Amen

We have come to the end of an extremely busy and successful term here at Sparsholt C of E Primary School.

As always the school is full of life and brimming with so many wonderful opportunities for learning.

At the time of writing we are looking forward to our after school

Easter Eggs-travganza. Thank you to our ever supportive FOSS for organising and the teaching staff for running the Easter Egg Hunt.

On behalf of our fantastic and dedicated staff team I would like to wish you and your family an enjoyable and restful Easter break. I look forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday 23rd April ready for an action-packed and productive summer term.

Best wishes,

Jane Gwilliam



Parent survey update from school governors

The parents survey corrupted so we have relaunched it. Sorry if you already completed it. Here is the fixed survey. Please find time to do it, it is listened to <https://www.quicksurveys.com/s/Ry27Cmk>

End of Term Lunch Invoices

Invoices for lunches and overdue music tuition, clubs and trips are coming home with pupils today in bookbags.

Please remember that as our policy change (September 2018) KS2 lunches must be paid a half-term in advance

For the half term, Tuesday 23rd April to Fri 24th May 2019 (5 weeks), the amounts we are looking for you to pre-fund are follows:

<i>Number of days lunches are taken</i>	<i>One day/week</i>	<i>Two days/week</i>	<i>Three days/week</i>	<i>Four days/week</i>	<i>Five days/week</i>
<i>1 child at school</i>	£11.50	£23.00	£34.50	£46.00	£57.50
<i>2 children at school</i>	£23.00	£46.00	£69.00	£92.00	£115.00

Run For Sparsholt 2019 - Sunday 19th May 2019

IT'S TIME TO COMMIT!

Registration is now open for the SPARSHOLT FAMILY FUN RUN - 5k/ 11k 2019 - 19th May at 9.30

Please email friendsofsparsholtsschool@gmail.com and confirm

- Name
- Size of Group
- Intended distance of run/ walk
- Intended preference to pay per person or to commit to fundraising (suggested minimum total of £50 per person)

School Clubs commencing Monday 29th April 2019

For school run 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 **4.30pm** for a prompt pick-up by parents/carers.

Day	After-School Clubs	Notes
Monday	Cricket Yr 2 - Yr 6 Artiology (minimum 5) Fencing (minimum 12)	Cricket - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport info@integr8sportscoaching.com Artiology - register directly with Mrs Ormerod hallimarie@googlemail.com Fencing - register directly to Jonathon Mann jdsportscoaching@gmail.com
Tuesday	Rounders Yr 1 - Yr 6 (40 max)	
Wednesday	Mini Athletics Yr 1 & Yr 2 Development Athletics Yr 3 & Yr 4 Performance Athletics Yr 5 & Yr 6 Mad Science Club	Athletics - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport info@integr8sportscoaching.com Mad Science Club - register & pay online madscience.org
Thursday	Jnr Lacrosse Yr 3 & Yr 4 (20 max) Snr Lacrosse Yr 5 & Yr 6 (20 max) Mini Multiskills Yr R, Yr 1, Yr 2 Recorder Club (Lunchtime) Yr 1 - Yr 6 Fencing Club (Lunchtime) Yr 1 - Yr 6	There will be a charge (payable in advance) for Lacrosse to cover coaching costs Mini Multiskills - registration directly to Integr8 Sport info@integr8sportscoaching.com Fencing - see Monday, above, for details
Friday	Summer Tag Rugby Yr 4- Yr 6 Integr8 Dance offer an after school dance club - please contact directly for details - 01962 808398	Summer Tag Rugby - registration and payment directly to Integr8 Sport info@integr8sportscoaching.com

After School Clubs from 29th April 2019

Complete the form and return to the school office if your child is interested in enrolling in our school-run clubs

Name of child Class

is interested in registering for the following school run clubs (please tick)

Rounders ☐ Recorder Club ☐ Jnr Lacrosse ☐ Snr Lacrosse ☐