

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

7th January 2022

Here's what's in the newsletter this week!

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days

Monday 31st January 2022, Monday 27th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful start to the Spring Term and the children have been buzzing with enthusiasm. This morning we held our Celebration Worship outside on the playground and as we stood there, the sun came out and the birds were singing and I have to say it really does make you reflect on how lucky we are. Our amazing Worship Team led the worship and explained to the other children all about the significance of Epiphany. They did a fantastic job of getting the children to interact by asking questions and taking responses and also enabling the children to reflect that every person is important.

It was such a pleasure to present our Core Christian Value awards and from what I have witnessed, I am sure that teachers had a very difficult job of choosing who to award them to this week as the children have all been amazing. When showing a perspective parent around this morning, they commented on how incredibly polite and courteous all the children were and I couldn't agree more.

Whilst I have no doubt that this term will be challenging from a Covid perspective, I know that as a whole school community we will continue to work together to protect and support each other. We have already had confirmation of a positive case since we have returned, so I do need to ask that parents continue to be vigilant, carry on with regular lateral flow testing and if any members of the family display Covid symptoms, they go for a PCR test.

As I am sure you have seen in the news, the symptoms of the Omicron variant appear to be more diverse with people experiencing a range of symptoms including:

- Scratchy throat
- Lower back pain
- Runny nose/congestion
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Sneezing
- Night sweats
- Body aches

Whilst for children it appears to be fairly mild, we do need to protect staff to ensure they obviously don't become unwell, but also so that we do not end up with high staff absences that then create challenges in being able to teach the children in school.

I very much hope you all have an enjoyable weekend and I am already looking forward to seeing the children next week.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty

Core Christian Value Awards

We were very proud to commend our Core Christian Value Award recipients in Celebration Worship today. Children from each class are nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: Courage, Compassion and Creativity.

| | Willow | Beech | Maple | Rowan | Oak |
|-------------------|---------|--------|-------|---------|-----------|
| Courage | Brodie | Martha | Logan | Nancy S | Isaac |
| Compassion | Henri A | George | Hugh | Rocco | Florrie |
| Creativity | Pippa | Pippa | Lucy | Scout | William T |

These children will be coming home with a certificate letting you know why they have received their award.

School News

Year R Applications for September 2022

Applications for year R admissions for September 2022 opened on 1st November 2021 and close on **15th January 2022**. Information on starting school and how to apply can be found on the Hampshire Admissions website – www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. We welcome visits to the school and if you know of any families looking for year R places, please ask them to contact the school office who can arrange a tour of the school with Mrs Hanratty.



The poster is for the '360 Football Skills Club' at Sparsholt C of E Primary Academy. It features a blue background with a large circular logo on the left containing a geometric pattern. On the right, there are several circular images showing children playing football and doing exercises. The text 'active me 360' is in the top right corner. The main title '360 Football Skills Club' is in large green and white letters. Below it, the location 'Sparsholt C of E Primary Academy Football Skills Club' is written. The days 'Wednesdays – Key Stage 1' are listed. A calendar icon indicates the dates '12th Jan – 6th April' and a clock icon shows the times '3:30 - 4:30'. A purple box states the price '£3.60 per session'. At the bottom, it says 'Book here: Active Me Sports Club' with a green arrow pointing to the website 'www.activeme360.com'. A circular mission statement on the right reads: 'Our mission is To change lives by improving health and wellbeing using the power of physical activity, sport and education.'

360 Football Skills Club

Sparsholt C of E Primary Academy Football Skills Club

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Dates: 12th Jan – 6th April

Times: 3:30 - 4:30

Price: £3.60 per session

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Location:

Sparsholt Primary School.
Woodman Lane, Winchester, Hampshire,
SO21 2NR

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School Clubs

The timetable of after school clubs commencing **Monday 10th January 2022** is below. For some clubs we will have to stipulate a maximum number of children; children not successful in acquiring a place will be placed on a waiting list. We ask for all school clubs to be **paid termly in advance** please.

Please look out for the payment request coming through onto your SCOPAY account and ensure the payment is made before the club starts next week.

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.

| Day | After-School Clubs | Timings | Notes |
|-----------|---|--|---|
| Monday | Artiology Club (Years 2 – 6) | 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Children partake in art / creative activities based on themes to do with the natural world and the environment. Payable half-termly in advance £7.50 per session. Book directly with Mrs Ormerod – hallimarie@googlemail.com |
| | Senior Football Club (Years 4 – 6) | 3:30pm – 4:15pm* | Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term. |
| Tuesday | | | |
| Wednesday | Choir and Music Club (Years 3 – 6) | 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term. |
| | Fencing Club (Years 3 – 6) | 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Please book and pay directly with Jon Mann – jdsportscoaching@gmail.com 07554 442320 |
| | Junior Football Club (Years 1 and 2) | 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Please book and pay directly with Activeme360 – please see flyer attached |
| | Mad Science Club | 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Please book and pay directly with Mad Science – Wessex.madscience.org |
| Thursday | Lacrosse Club (Years 3 – 6) | 3:30pm – 4:15pm* | Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term. |
| Friday | Integr8 Dance (Year R – 2) | 3:30pm – 4:30pm | Please book and pay directly with Integr8Dance – natalie@integr8dance.com 01962 808398 |
| | Integr8 Dance (Year 3 – 6) | 4:30pm – 5:30pm Children are unable to stay at school until 4:30pm. | Please book and pay directly with Integr8Dance – natalie@integr8dance.com 01962 808398 |

* Due to the darker evenings, these clubs will finish at 4.15pm for a prompt pick-up by parents/carers. As the evenings get lighter, we may change this time to 4.30pm.

After School Clubs from 10th January 2022

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)

Senior Football ☐ Choir and Music ☐ Lacrosse ☐

Friends of Sparsholt School (FoSS)

Our weekly update!

FoSS UPDATE

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and Happy New Year!

It was wonderful to see lots of local families enjoying the Festive Winter Wander at Ham Green before Christmas. Thank you to all those who were involved in setting it up and all those who supported FoSS by coming along – we really are so lucky to be able to put on such amazing events.

Future dates for your diary:

Unfortunately the Curry and Auction evening on Saturday 12th February 2022 has had to be postponed. Please watch this space for a new date (COVID permitting).

Here's to more fun FoSS activities in 2022!