

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

14th March 2025

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

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Outdoor science with
Oak Class

Proud winners of the
Winchester Inter-School
Netball tournament at
Nightingale Primary School!



REMINDERS FOR W/C MONDAY 17th March 2025

- ✓ Thurs 20th March - Netball Tournament at St Swithun's (selected team)
 - 3:15pm - 6:00pm
- ✓ Fri 21st March - Red Nose Day (donation for Comic Relief)



Sensational skipping at this week's workshop



Marking International Women's Day by participating in the "Biggest Ever Football Session 2025"



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a jam packed week! On Monday, Willow and Beech both had their outdoor learning sessions with the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust. The children had fantastic sessions, with Beech Class having the morning slot and Willow the afternoon. The children used our wonderful pond area to investigate the different plant and animal life there and how their different habitats provide what they need to survive. Every child said what an amazing time they had and were able to share all that they had learned. They were all very excited to explain how they had made their seed balls and how they had used their maths skills to calculate how many they would need for different spaces.

As you all know, on Tuesday and Thursday we held our Parent Evenings for this term. Thank you so much to all of you who attended and for the many positive comments that you shared about the school and how much your children enjoy being part of this school community. I really hope you all found these meetings useful and have a clearer understanding of how your children are progressing and next steps for moving forwards. Two of our Governors came into school for parents' evenings and spoke to many of you about your experiences of the school so thank you so much to all of you for your feedback. Our Governors play a really important role in terms of strategic vision and are continuing to work hard behind the scenes to support us as a school to fulfil our vision.

Yesterday was all about physical activity. In the morning we had our fantastic skipping workshop where the children learned some amazing new skipping skills. At the end of the morning the whole school gathered to witness a phenomenal spectacle of creative and impressive skipping moves including "the double bagel".

Whilst the skipping workshop was taking place, a small group of Year 5s and 6s were at Nightingale school in Eastleigh battling it out at an inter-schools Netball tournament. I am incredibly proud to announce that after the football team's success last week, our amazing netball team followed suit and were also crowned the overall winners of the entire tournament. It is a testament to all of our children that they are able to compete at the highest level and work together to produce such amazing outcomes!

Next week is a slightly quieter week but the following week is full of a multitude of trips and experiences with some children heading off to Marwell whilst others are going climbing and some are having a 'Living History' day.

Despite the temperatures seemingly dropping, I very much hope you all have a lovely weekend and are able to get out and continue to be active

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty

School Awards

Core Christian Value Awards

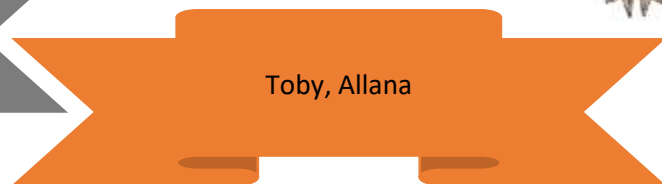
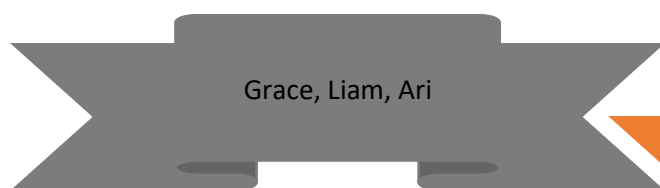
We were very proud to commend our Core Christian Value Award recipients in Celebration Worship today. Children from each class are nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: Courage, Compassion and Creativity.

	Courage	Compassion	Creativity
Willow	Louis	Beauden	Beatrix
Beech	George	Max	Ezra
Maple	Reuben	Harry	Theo
Rowan	Emi	Pippa R	Clara
Oak	Toby	Isaac	Verity



House Point "Rosette" Awards

Following on from last year's scolosaurus awards, this year the children who achieve the required number of house points (see below), will come home with a lovely rosette badge.



Sparsholt Shooting Stars Sports Challenge

Some sporting achievements from home to highlight this week:

- * Ishaan – completed his activity tracking sheet
- * Zevon – won his first table tennis doubles match
- * Livi – achieved her Stage 3 and 15m badge in swimming
- * Abel – competed in this first swimming meet, achieving great personal bests and picking up 2 silver medals
- * Camille – being a great spectator and supporting her brother in the swimming pool all weekend!
- * Harry and James – achieved their 5m swimming badges
- * Maxi – achieved his "duckling" swimming award



Well done to Zevon for completing his first Shooting Stars Challenge booklet!

Well done everyone! Please do keep sending your achievements into us!



Date	Event	Location	Time	Parents Invited?	Notes
Fri 4th April 2025	Whole School Easter Presentation	Playground / Hall	2:15pm	Yes	Weather dependent.
Fri 4th April 2025	Last day of Spring Term	School	3:30pm	n/a	

Important Notices

1. Red Nose Day – Friday 21st March



We are so excited that we will be celebrating **40 Years of Comic Relief** next **Friday 21st March** and raising funds for this brilliant charity.

This year's theme is '**a blast from the past!**'

Let's go **RETRO** and come to school dressed in a style representing a decade. Maybe headbands and leg warmers from the 1980's, or a retro football top, or wear bright clashing coloured clothing, or maybe style your hair inspired by a decade! You could wear anything else you think represents the 90's, noughties or 2010's! Or you could wear an outfit you think is up to the minute and represents 2025!

During the afternoon, keeping our drive for spending more time in the great outdoors and with increasing our physical activity firmly in mind, the whole school will take part in the **OH NO! IT'S THE BIG 40 FESTIVAL!** There will be an array of **BIG 40** challenges to try, set up by our creative and talented Year 6 Sports Leaders. From 40 star jumps and the 40 sprint relay, to the 40 piece Jenga challenge and 'how many you can do in 40 seconds' fun challenges. Of course the fun and games will be accompanied by some nostalgic classic pop songs from our favourite eras.


We will be asking for a £1 - £2 donation and know that we will have great fun raising money for this brilliant charity and helping to make a real difference to people both here in the UK and around the world.

FoSS Update

1) UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THIS TERM

Event	When / Where	Details
<p>Total Body Workout</p> <p>For Parents and Carers</p> 	<p>Wednesday 2nd April</p> <p>19:30 – 20:15</p> <p>Memorial Hall</p>	<p>Back by popular demand!</p> <p>A fun workout with adaptations for all level of fitness. This workout will have you strengthening your lower and upper body with a little sprinkling of cardio in there to make sure you leave feeling sweaty and energised.</p> <p>Open to all friends and families of Sparsholt School - no exercise experience necessary! Please bring a yoga mat with you and a bottle of water.</p> <p>This session will be 45 minutes long and will be run by Stef (mum of Ezra in Beech). Please use below link to purchase tickets- cost £10</p> <p>https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sparsholt/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=95742</p>
<p>The FoSS Easter Eggstravaganza</p> 	<p>Friday 4th April</p> <p>This will follow straight on from the school's Easter presentation.</p> <p>Memorial Hall / School Field</p>	<p>More information to follow.</p>

2) SUMMER TERM (SO FAR):

Event	When / Where	Details
<p>Yoga</p> <p>For Parents and Carers</p> 	<p>Thursday 8th May</p> <p>19:30 – 20:30</p> <p>Sparsholt Memorial Hall</p>	<p>Another session run by an experienced and qualified Iyengar Yoga Instructor. Open to all abilities.</p> <p>Cost £10</p> <p>Link to follow...</p>
<p>Sparsholt Summer Fete</p> 	<p>Saturday 21st June</p> <p>Sparsholt Village</p>	<p>FoSS will be running another second-hand toy stall. Please keep hold of any good quality toys which are surplus to requirement.</p>

General Information



Mothering Sunday 30th March
10am

Wherwell, Chilbolton, Crawley, Sparsholt, and Littleton

Bring your Mum, Nan, or Guardian to Church on Mothering Sunday at 10am where you can make them a card and give them a posy of flowers. And then let's thank God for these special people in our lives.



**SPARSHOLT
VILLAGE FÊTE**

**Save
The
Date**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	4	5	6	7		
10	11	12	13	14		
17	18	19	20	21 X	28	
24	25	26	27			
15	16					
22	23					
29	30					

**21st
June '25**

 [sparsholt_village_fete_2025](https://www.instagram.com/sparsholt_village_fete_2025)



Hampshire County Youth Choir "Sing-Alongside"



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Friday 25 April 2025

5.30pm - 8.30pm

The United Church, Jewry St, Winchester

- 5.30pm - Yr 7 to Yr 13
- 6.00pm - Yr 2 to Yr 6 Juniors
- 7.30pm - Show to parents for all participants
- Register your interest to reserve your space



ALL WELCOME

For more info
and to signup,
please use the QR code



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Integr8 Easter Camps

Weeke primary camps - 4-11 year olds

- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nUGR8NeMZ8ISeVrYFILIGTN5l0zri9on/view?usp=sharing>

Winnall primary camps - 4-11 year olds

- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Co6Rml_hd1QN3DZKDXU8M4Jmu5NshseT/view?usp=sharing

Unit 12 - primary camps - 4-11 year olds

- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lEsCHj_z6x58XcNTCn0hN41na_RWgC1v/view?usp=sharing