

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

6th January 2023



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

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Please take a look at our fabulous new school website!



Key Dates for your diaries

School-run clubs start
Inset Days 22/23

FoSS Movie Night
Additional Bank Holiday

w/c Monday 9th January 2023

Monday 20th February 2023

Monday 26th June 2023

Friday 27th January 2023 – details to follow

Monday 8th May



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous start to the New Year! The children have come back full of enthusiasm and raring to go. Today, our wonderful Pupil Governors (School Council) met with our School Governors to present their version of this year's School Improvement Plan and to talk about all of the amazing things that they are doing to help improve the school. They did a phenomenal job with every class representative from Year 1 all the way up to Year 6 presenting and talking about specific elements of the School Improvement Plan. If you would like to see a copy of the Pupil Governors' (School Council) School Improvement Plan it can be found on our school website in the Pupil section under Pupil Leadership / Pupil Governors.

For those of you who have visited our school website recently, you will have noticed that it looks a little different. We have had the website re-designed, making it easier to navigate. We have also added a new and very comprehensive section which has some excellent links and resources to help you as parents and carers. The 'Padlet', an online bulletin board, contains all sorts of information from how to support your children with specific elements of learning e.g. spelling and reading, to guidance around emotional well-being, sleep, bereavement, specific special educational needs etc. The link can be found on the home page of the website and is titled 'Support for Parents'. I would very much encourage you all to explore this excellent range of resources. Next week, we will provide some more detailed guidance to help you navigate the wonderful information which can be accessed from our new website.

Today, all the children will be coming home with a copy of their attendance record for the Autumn term. As you know, regular attendance is so important to ensure children thrive at school and we are keen to work in partnership with you so that all children can reach their potential. Please make sure that you read the letter about attendance that has been sent out by e-mail today and look at the links that can help support good attendance.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and it is so great to welcome you all back for what I know will be a fantastic term.

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.

	Courage	Compassion	Creativity
Willow	Henri	Benett	Alice
Beech	Hemming	Skyla	Aanika
Maple	Elise	Jack	Mia
Rowan	Pearl	Annabel	Toby
Oak	Adam	Cecily	Lola



General Information

Money for School Lunches

The school requires that, for KS2, school lunches are paid in advance, on a half-termly basis. The current cost for a school meal is £2.80. For administrative purposes, wherever possible, the school would prefer payment to be made online using the Scopay website or app but cheques and cash are also accepted in the office. The school's charging policy is on the school website for reference. If you need support in setting up or using the online system, please ask the office.

To help you calculate the correct payment for next half-term on SCOPAY, please see below:

Number of meals per week	1	2	3	4	5
Cost for hot lunches Spring 1 half-term	£16.80	£33.60	£50.40	£67.20	£81.20

Keyboard Tuition in School

A place has just become available for a child in Year 4 or above to start group keyboard tuition with Mrs Leitzell in the Summer Term. If your child would be interested in starting lessons after Easter, please contact the school office for more information. This place will be given on a first-come first-served basis.

Children's Health



Stay in control of your child's health **NHS**

Healthier Together is a website and mobile app that has been developed by healthcare professionals to provide comprehensive advice for parents, young people and pregnant women.

"It's like a mini doctor for you at home."

Using an easy-to-follow traffic light system, you'll find clear information on common childhood illnesses, including advice on what signs to look out for, when and where to seek help if required, what you should do to keep your child comfortable and how long your child's symptoms are likely to last.

"Brilliant, Simple, reassuring and helpful. Thank you!"

Scan the QR code with a smart phone to visit **what0-18.nhs.uk**

Download the free 'Healthier Together' app

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Online Courses for Parents



Free Online Courses for Parents in the New Year!

To book type in the link: <https://shop.hants.gov.uk/collections/library-courses>



Course	Dates	Time
Raising Resilient Children	Mondays 9 Jan – 6 Feb	6:30pm -8:00pm
Introduction to Paediatric 1 st Aid	Tuesdays 10 Jan – 31 Jan	6:45pm- 9:00pm
Positive Parenting	Wednesdays 11 Jan – 8 Feb	6:30pm -8:00pm
How Children Learn to Talk	Thursdays 12 Jan – 9 Feb	7:00pm-8:30pm
Makaton Level 1*	Mondays 16 Jan – 6 Feb	6:30pm- 8:30pm
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Positive Parenting	Mondays 27 Feb – 27 Mar	6:30pm -8:00pm
Introduction to Paediatric 1 st Aid	Tuesdays 28 Feb – 21 Mar	6:45pm- 9:00pm
Raising Resilient Children	Wednesdays 1 Mar – 29 Mar	6:30pm -8:00pm
How Children Learn to Read and Write	Thursdays 2 Mar – 30 Mar	7:00pm-8:30pm

*Free tuition, materials fee applies

These courses are aimed at Hampshire residents aged 19+. Attendance is expected at each session to ensure that you get the most out of your learning experience and to minimise disruption for other learners. Please advise the venue/tutor of any absence you may have.

Participants will be required to use Zoom. No account is required. Not sure how to use Zoom? Check out these helpful videos: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206175806>



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Creative Kidz After-School Club

Creative Kidz are now providing a new and exciting offering, with the following session options:

- Option 1: 3:30pm – 5:30pm
- Option 2: 3:30pm – 6:00pm
- Option 3: 4:30pm – 6:00pm

The prices for these options are as follows:



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After School club	Contract	Ad hoc
Session 1 – 3.30pm to 5.30pm	£11.80	£ 12.80
Session 2 – 3.30pm to 6.00pm	£ 13.80	£14.80
Bolt on 1 – 4.30pm to 6:00pm	£ 8.20	£ 9.20

For more information, please go to the Creative Kidz website at <https://creativekidz.org.uk/>