



Weekly Newsletter

31st March 2023



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

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous end to the Spring Term! I think all of you who were able to attend the Easter presentation would agree that the children did an amazing job of presenting different aspects of Easter and singing some fantastic songs with such enthusiasm and gusto. Oak class's performance of 'The Stations of the Cross' showed not only what talented actors we have but how the Easter story reminds us to reflect on many aspects of modern day life and make sure we consider how we treat others. The children came away with such pride at being able to showcase all their talents and be together with our whole school community including parents and governors. The Easter Gardens were also another highlight with some really creative and imaginative designs. Thank you so much for supporting your children with this.

I also want to say a massive thank you to our amazing FoSS team who put on such a wonderful Easter Fayre after the Easter Presentation. I very much enjoyed watching the welly wanging competition which demonstrated that there really is a technique to this! Again it was so wonderful to see our whole school community all together and as I said at the end of the Easter presentation, I really do feel very blessed to be part of such a wonderful and supportive group of people.

Whilst you would have thought that preparing for the Easter presentation would have been enough for one week, we still managed to fit in some other wonderful learning experiences. On Monday some of our Year 5 pupils took part in a Tag Rugby event run by Sparsholt Agricultural College. It took place at Winchester Rugby Club and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and showed real sportsmanship throughout. On Tuesday, Rowan and Maple were lucky enough to be able to visit Sparsholt Agricultural College to take part in some really exciting and challenging orienteering. They were also able to visit the farm whilst they were there and thoroughly enjoyed seeing the variety of animals housed onsite.

Even today has been one of full productivity with Year 3 and Year 6 going swimming this morning and Oak class being masterchefs and creating some amazing Mexican dishes as part of their Design and Technology project this afternoon.

Finally, thank you all so much for the incredible generosity you have shown through your donations of Easter eggs and treats in support of the Winchester Basics Bank. There are so many families that these donations will make a huge difference to over the Easter period.

I really do want to thank all of you for your continued support this year and the positivity that you show us as a school. I hope you all have a fantastic Easter break and am looking forward to welcoming the children back into school on Monday 17th April for what I know will be an amazing Summer 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	Henry	Louis	Finbar
Beech	Edi	Felix	Daisy
Maple	Elise	Rory	Ishaan
Rowan	Oscar	Toby	Henry N
Oak	Beatrix	Lola	Ollie




General Information

Key dates for the diary

Key dates for your diaries - for Summer Term 1					
Event	Additional Information	Children involved	Parents involved	Date	Time
Bank Holiday	School closed	All children	n/a	Monday 1st May	All Day
Family Coronation Picnic	More information to follow	All children	Yes	Friday 5th May	TBC
Bank Holiday	School closed	All children	n/a	Monday 8th May	All Day
SATs Week	SATs for Year 6	Year 6	No	Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May	All Day
Musical May Concert	More information to follow	All children	Yes	Friday 26th May	2:15pm
Last day of half-term		All children	Yes	Friday 26th May	From 3:30pm

Clubs for Summer Term

Please see below the timetable for after-school clubs in the Summer Term. Please refer to the separate communication sent out from the office with details and form to complete to register for school-run clubs.

Day	After-School Clubs	Timings	Notes
Monday	Outdoor Lacrosse Club (Years 2 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Taking place on the school field. Payable termly in advance. £25 per full term (reduction due to additional bank holidays and inset day)
Tuesday	Mad Science Club (Years 1 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	 <p>Run by Mad Science. Please book and pay directly at Wessex.madscience.org</p>
Wednesday	Fencing Club (Years 3 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Please book and pay directly with Jon Mann – idsportscoaching@gmail.com / 07554 442320
	Rounders Club (Years 2 - 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term.
Thursday	Choir and Music Club (Years 3 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable in advance. £30 per full term.
	Cricket Club (Years 4, 5 & 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term.
Friday	Integr8 Dance – Sparsholt Minis (Year R – 2)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Please book and pay directly with Integr8Dance – will@integr8dance.com / 01962 808398
	Integr8 Dance – Sparsholt Squad (Year 3 – 6)	4:30pm – 5:30pm Children cannot stay at school until 4:30pm.	Please book and pay directly with Integr8Dance – will@integr8dance.com / 01962 808398

FoSS Update

Thank you all for your donations, baking and help yesterday at the Easter Fayre. It was a lovely way to celebrate Easter, with lots of chocolate being won, wellies being thrown and smiles all round.

We are still busily counting the money and will let everyone know what we raised next term. All of the money raised will go towards the creation of a new food technology space for the children.

We are now looking forward to all the fun things planned for the summer term!

Other Useful Information



Free Online Courses for Parents in the Summer Term

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



Course	Dates	Time
How Children Learn to Read and Write	Thursdays 20 April – 18 May	7pm – 8:30pm
Introduction to Paediatric First Aid	Tuesdays 25 April – 16 May	6:45pm – 9:15pm
Raising Resilient Children	Wednesdays 26 April – 24 May	6:30pm – 8pm
Makaton Level 1*	Mondays 15 May – 12 June	6:30pm – 8:30pm
Raising Resilient Children	Mondays 12 June – 10 July	6:30pm – 8pm
Positive Parenting	Wednesdays 14 June – 12 July	6:30pm – 8pm
How Children Learn to Talk	Thursdays 8 June – 13 July	7pm – 8:30pm
Introduction to Paediatric First Aid	Mondays 19 June – 10 July	6:45pm – 9:15pm

*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>



Littleton Tennis Club Open Day - Take 2! Sunday 16th April 10am-12pm

We have tennis activities for the whole family & would love to welcome Sparsholt pupils and their families

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/LittletonTennisClub/Events>

KEEPING EVERYONE UP TO DATE

UPCOMING EVENTS

EASTER WEEKEND - POOL DISCO, ACTIVE ANTZ & CLIMBING

Offering extra Easter themed activities 7th - 10th April for children of all ages!
Times will vary and booking advised. Call reception to find out more and get booked

Nerf Wars - Saturday 15th April

90 mins of NERFING shenanigans for the over 6's. To book your Mini Warrior, visit Pop Up Events on - <https://popupevents.com/nerf-event-booking-form>

SWIM LESSONS

Available from 4 months old
Track your Progress
Badges and Certificates
AND

Free Swimming All Year Round

Call us today for more information

TOP ROCK

Our Auto Belay Park is perfect for the whole family with a variety of routes

Open throughout the school holidays
10:00 - 16:00

MEMBERSHIPS

APRIL OFFER - £1 Joining Fee - Save £39 on ALL monthly fitness memberships!

Email winchestersportparkma@everyoneactive.com to find out more info.

EXTRA: Quote 'SCHOOL' to claim a free 7 day pass for all parents/guardians

HOLIDAY CLUB

Fit for Sport

3rd - 14th April 2023 (excluding weekend)

To book please visit the Fit for Sport website
<https://www.fitforsport.co.uk/>

UNDER 5'S

Active Antz

Play and build bonds with your child. Sessions running Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

Adult & Child Gymnastics

For 18 months up to the child's 3rd Birthday. Classes running Monday & Thursdays.

WINCHESTER SPORT AND LEISURE PARK

Bar End Road, Winchester, Hampshire
SO23 9NR

Telephone: 01962 848700

Website: www.everyoneactive.com

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ACTIVE

Creative writing workshop for 8-12 year olds

Learn to plot a daring heist with Jo Clarke, author of *Libby and the Parisian Puzzle* and *Libby and the Highland Heist*, in this fun and interactive writing workshop.



Wednesday 5th April

10:00 - 11:00

&

12:00 - 13:00

at P&G Wells



Tickets £2, booking essential
Book in the shop or online at
www.pgwells.co.uk

Hampshire County Youth Choirs invite you to join their "Sing Alongside" rehearsal



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Friday 21 April 2023, 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



MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Scan to register your interest



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**SUNDAY
7TH
MAY
2023**

Cash/card bar open from 12.30pm-7pm and a tea and coffee stall after lunch.

Once the Bake Off has been judged the goodies will be sold for dessert.

- 12:30 PM** DRINKS RECEPTION
Memorial Green
- 1.30 PM** TAKE YOUR SEATS
National Anthem
- 2:00 PM** LUNCH (TICKET REQUIRED)
Woodman Lane
- 3:00 PM** SPARFEST BEGINS
Live Music all afternoon
- 3:30 PM** SPARSHOLT BAKE OFF RESULTS
Memorial Green
- 4:00 PM** SPARCRUFTS DOG SHOW AND GAMES
Woodman Lane & School Field
- 7:00 PM** LIVE MUSIC ENDS

More info on events, entry forms and drinks pre-order form available in the shop.

The event is being held on behalf of the Village Shop and is open to all. Please do come and celebrate with us.

Lunch tickets are available in the shop.
Adults £10 - Children (12 and under) £5
LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE - BUY NOW!
Wine pre-order available.
Please bring your own non-breakable crockery, cutlery & drinks receptacle.
Pavment & dietary requirements requested at time of booking.

