

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

21st July 2023

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

- ❖ Important notices for next week
- ❖ Headteacher weekly update
- ❖ Core Christian Value Awards
- ❖ General information
- ❖ FoSS update
- ❖ Other useful information



**WE WILL MISS YOU
MRS WILLIAMS!**

My career in Early Years spans 18 years in total. I started working at Sparsholt C of E Primary School in 2010 – a sprightly 52 year old! It has always been more than just a job to me.

I would like to thank Sparsholt parents for your generous gifts, messages and for taking time to reminisce (some of us go back a long way!) on your child's / children's first year at school.

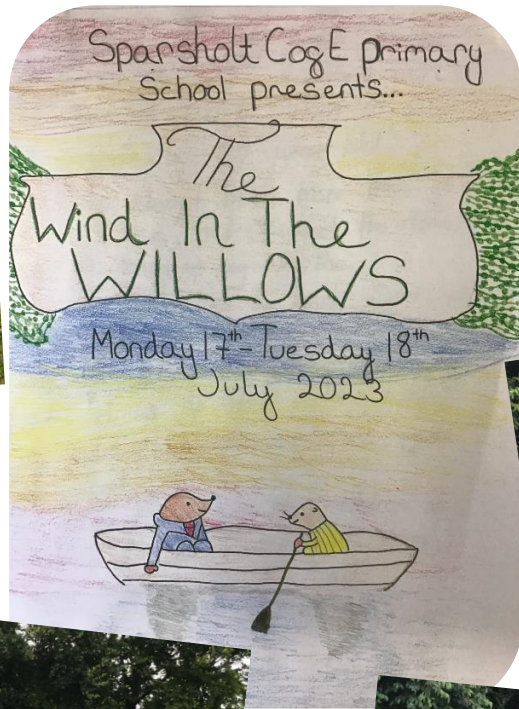
Thank you to the children of Sparsholt – I leave with many, many memories of you all.

Finally a big thank you to the staff of Sparsholt C of E Primary School. You are an amazing team of talented and supportive people. I will miss you all very much, but the time has finally come to hang up my whistle!

Wendy xx

IMPORTANT NOTICES FOR W/C MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

- ✓ INSET DAY – Friday 1st September 2023
- ✓ INSET DAY – Monday 4th September 2023
- ✓ BACK TO SCHOOL! – Tues 5th September 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic end to a fantastic year! I am sure all of you who were able to attend the end of year performance of 'The Wind in the Willows' will agree that it was sensational, with every child trying their absolute best in whatever role they had.

There have been so many amazing highlights of this year from our KS1 Nativity and KS2 Christmas extravaganza to our amazing SIAMS inspection report; our Year 5 girls going to the Ageas Bowl to play in the Hampshire cricket finals and coming in third place, to the moving Easter presentation. But the main highlight of the year for me is the children who have continued to amaze me with their enthusiasm for school, their desire to make a difference and the joy with which they approach everything.

Our Year 6 pupils have been truly inspirational this year – they have been outstanding role models for the whole school and their support of others should be commended. Having just attended the Year 6 Leavers' service at St Stephen's Church, I can honestly say I am immensely proud of every single one of them and know that their next schools are incredibly lucky to be getting such compassionate, kind and proactive pupils.

For families who are leaving us, please remember you will always remain part of our community and thank you for all that you have done. We also need to say a final goodbye to Mrs Williams. Mrs Williams has touched so many lives here over the past 13 years and has been the bedrock of Willow class. Her dedication to the children and us has been exceptional and her knowledge and skills will be very much missed. We all wish her the best for her well-deserved retirement and I have no doubt she will go on to have many more exciting adventures. We also say goodbye to Miss Sims-Harding who has been exceptionally hard working this year and done so much to support in Maple class. Both members of staff will be very much missed.

I am still so proud to be part of such an amazing school community, where every single member wants what is best for each other and is prepared to do what they can to make it happen. You as parents and carers continue to show the utmost support for us and your children, which is why they are all exceptional and our school is such a special place

I really hope you all have a fantastic much-deserved Summer break and we look forward to welcoming you and our new Year R families back on **Tuesday 5th September 2023**.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty

Core Christian Value Awards

We were very proud to commend the **whole school** with our Core Christian Value Awards in Celebration Worship today.

All the children have shown such incredible Courage, Compassion and Creativity this year that we wanted to recognise this today. **Well done everyone!**



General Information

Key dates for the diary

A new list of dates for the next academic year will be sent out to parents in September.

Inset Days for 2023 - 2024

All inset days for next year have now been confirmed, and are on the school website calendar:

- Friday 1st September 2023
 - Monday 4th September 2023
 - Monday 9th October 2023
 - Tuesday 2nd January 2024
 - Friday 28th June 2024
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Welcome to new parents

We would just like to say a huge, warm welcome to all of our new families who will be joining our wonderful school community in September. We cannot wait to welcome your children into our amazing school on Tuesday 5th September!

Thank you from staff

All the staff would like to say a huge **thank you** for all the incredibly generous gifts we have been given and for all the support you have shown us over the last year. It has been a great year and we are looking forward to seeing you all again in September, fully refreshed and ready to go!

Thank you also to our governors for the wonderful spread you provided for us. It was delicious!

After-School Clubs – Autumn Term 2023

Day	After-School Clubs	Timings	Notes
Monday	Mad Science Club (Years 1 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by Mad Science. Please book and pay directly at Wessex.madscience.org
Tuesday	Lacrosse (Years 3 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term. FULLY BOOKED
Wednesday	Fencing Club (Years 3 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Please book and pay directly with Jon Mann – idsportscoaching@gmail.com / 07554 442320
	Netball Club (Years 4 - 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term.
	Junior Football Club (Years 1 – 3)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term.
Thursday	Musical Theatre Club (Years 3 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable in advance. £30 per full term.
	Senior Football Club (Years 4 - 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £30 per full term. FULLY BOOKED
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

School-Run After School Clubs for Autumn Term 2023

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)

Lacrosse	
Netball	Waiting list only
Junior Football	
Musical Theatre	
Senior Football	Waiting list only
LUNCHTIME CLUB - Choir	

Breakfast Club for Autumn Term 2023

We will be running our extended provision Breakfast Club in the Autumn Term 2023, from **Tuesday 5th September**. *Please see letter sent out to all parents this week for more information.*

- The club operates Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 8:40am, and is available for Year R to Year 6 pupils.
- The cost per session is £4.50 and this includes breakfast which is a choice of cereals and juices.
- Children need to arrive by 8:20am to receive breakfast.
- The Breakfast Club is operated and staffed by the school.

I confirm I would like my child/children to attend the Breakfast Club in the Autumn Term 2023.

Please tick days required:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

To help administration please tick below how you will be paying.

On-line Cash / cheque Childcare vouchers Tax-free Childcare

I understand that payment is required half-termly in advance in order for my child / children to attend this extended provision club.

Signed Dated

FoSS Update

Exciting news!

- Second hand uniform can be purchased through the 'shop' tab of our website: <http://pta-events.co.uk/sparsholt/index.cfm> - save money and the environment whilst supporting FoSS!
 - More stock will be added shortly, including lots of 'new with tags' items that the school have kindly donated! You can make purchases any time over the summer.
 - If you have any uniform to donate, it will be very gratefully received in September!
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Other Useful Information

- Kings School open mornings:

[Admissions | Kings School \(kings-hants.com\)](#)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/kings-school-47355483093>

- <https://www.westgate.hants.sch.uk/open-events>



**The HENRY
BEAUFORT School**
At The Henry Beaufort School, there are no limitations to success.

**Our open events
are now live!**

**Please visit our
website to book**
www.beaufort.hants.sch.uk/open-events

*Please note booking is required for each event.
Please click on the dates opposite to book.*

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU

Pride, Happiness, Ambition

OPEN EVENTS

Open Morning 9-10am
Thursday 14th September 2023
Friday 15th September 2023
Thursday 5th October 2023
Thursday 12th October 2023

Open Evening 5.30-7.30pm
Thursday 14th September 2023

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



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ENJOY PERFORMING?
LOVE SINGING?
MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Friday 15 September 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

**Click here to register
your interest**



**Hampshire
County Council**

www.hcyc.hmsensembles.org.uk

Have a
great
summer!