

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

17th March 2023

Thanks to your amazing generosity, we have raised an incredible £120 for Comic Relief!



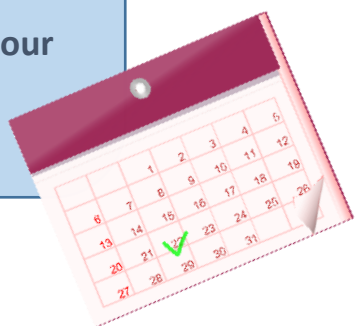
- Here's what's in the newsletter this week!
- ❖ Headteacher weekly update
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Make sure that you don't miss out on all the school events taking place this half-term!

Find all the dates and information under General Information!

And don't forget that all these dates are also in the calendar on our School Website!



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been another week full of learning and fun.

Thank you to all of you who attended Beech class virtual parents evenings on Tuesday and Thursday. I really hope you found the meetings useful and have a clear understanding of where your children are in their learning and how to support them moving forward. Next week we will send home your child's tracking and target sheet so that you have a record of what was discussed.

On Wednesday, Willow and Beech class went to The Anvil Theatre in Basingstoke to take part in the KS1 Giant Sing – "Barnaby the Bear goes around the World". They had a fantastic time watching the characters up on the stage and then joining in to sing the wonderful songs that accompanied the performance. The children were absolutely buzzing when they came back and could not stop talking about how wonderful it had been to be part of such a large scale production with so many other children from across Hampshire.

Today, Willow and Beech were out again, this time at Stubbington Study centre. Yet again they were totally engaged in the amazing learning experiences on offer, with Stubbington staff commenting on how fantastic their focus and learning behaviours were. Despite the early morning rain, the sunshine came out and the children loved all their activities, especially hunting for shells on the beach.

As you know, this week industrial action took place across the country as part of the NEU members' dispute over pay and school funding. Thank you so much for your support and understanding around any disruption this may have caused and for those classes affected, supporting children with their home learning.

Of course Mothering Sunday is this Sunday and I would like to thank the amazing FoSS team for their Mother's and Other's Day pop-up shop which took place on Tuesday. It was so lovely to see the excitement on the children's faces when they were choosing their gifts and also the discussions that were going on as to how they could keep them a surprise until Sunday! I would also like to thank those of you whose children have said they will be attending the Mothering Sunday Service at St Stephen's. It is a wonderful service that the children really enjoy.

Finally I want to thank everyone for their generosity with our fundraising efforts for Red Nose Day. Whilst it wasn't as straightforward as normal due to Willow and Beech being out and the Year 3s and Year 6s swimming, the children still did us proud with a sea of red appearing across the school, and an amazing £120 raised for this wonderful cause.

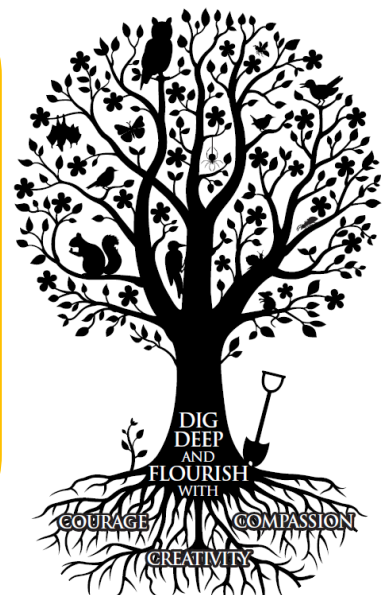
I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

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	Krish	Jack	Henri
Beech	Emily	Beth	Teddy
Maple	Hannah	Jannah	Henry
Rowan	Edward	Livinia	Tabatha
Oak	Martha	Harry	Amelia



General Information

Key dates for the diary

Key dates for your diaries - for Spring Term 2					
Event	Additional Information	Children involved	Parents involved	Date	Time
School Easter Presentation	More information to follow	All children	Yes	Thursday 30th March	2:15pm - 3:30pm
FoSS Easter Fair	More information to follow	All children	Yes	Thursday 30th March	From 3:30pm

List of upcoming trips / events

<u>Date and Time</u>	<u>Pupils involved</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Things to remember</u>
Friday 24 th Mar 9:30am – 11:30am	Year 3 and 6	Swimming Lesson	Children to come in PE kit and bring their swimming costume/trunks, a towel and a plastic bag for their wet things.
Friday 24 th Mar 3:45pm – 4:45pm	Selected team	Football match vs. Weeke – home match	Children to bring shin pads, football boots and a warm, waterproof top.
Monday 27 th Mar 9:15am – 2:30pm	Selected team	Tag Rugby Tournament – Winchester Rugby Club	Children will need to bring track suit trousers, football boots, warm top, school PE Shirt, school hoodie, wet weather clothing (if the forecast is for rain) and a packed lunch/snacks and drinks
Tuesday 28 th Mar 9:30pm – 2:30pm	Maple and Rowan	Trip to Sparsholt College (orienteering and zoo)	Children to bring a packed lunch, a drink, and a snack in a backpack. Children will need warm clothing – school uniform or PE kit supplemented by coats, hats, gloves and wellies.
Tuesday 28 th Mar 3:00pm – 4:45pm	Selected team	Football match vs. Micheldever – away match	Children to bring shin pads, football boots and a warm, waterproof top.
Friday 31 st Mar 9:30am – 11:30am	Year 3 and 6	Last Swimming Lesson	Children to come in PE kit and bring their swimming costume/trunks, a towel and a plastic bag for their wet things.

Choir & Music Club - CANCELLED

Please remember that Choir & Music Club is cancelled on Thursday 23rd March.

PE Days

Please see the table below for current PE days this half-term.

The days highlighted in blue indicate the days when your children should come into school in their school PE kit.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Willow					
Beech					
Maple					
Rowan					
Oak					*

*Please remember that Year 6 children should also be wearing PE kits on Fridays for this half-term due to swimming lessons.

Menu Changes

On **Thursday 30th March**, the menu choices will be fish & chips, macaroni cheese or jacket potato with cheese & baked beans.

On **Friday 31st March**, we will be running a special Easter themed lunch menu. We will send a reminder out about this menu the day before – ordering this lunch will just be like normal – you do not need to book in advance. Jacket potatoes remain an option on this day.



FOOD TO FLOURISH

Friday 31st
March 2023

Happy Easter

Menu

Quorn and leek crown
Or
Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding
Both served with gravy, roast potatoes, and seasonal vegetables
To finish
Homemade easter biscuit
Additional bread and fresh salad also available

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FoSS Update



FoSS will be running an Easter Fair after school on Thursday 30th March, with lots of activities and games for the children to enjoy! More details to follow.

Any donations of easter eggs for prizes would be much appreciated.

Other events / useful information

A message from the Head Coach at Littleton Tennis Club:

Littleton Tennis Club Open Day - Sunday 26th March 10am-12pm

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

Below is a link for people to register should you wish.

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/LittletonTennisClub/Events/Event/1f30bd52-e544-4ee2-871f-de65655f9752>