Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

30th September 2022

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

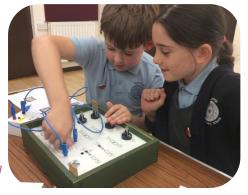
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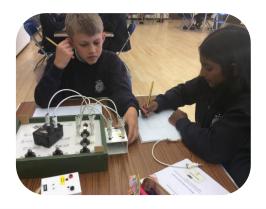














Dates for your diaries

Inset Days 22/23

KS1 Thrilling Thursday – children and parents invited to look at books
KS2 Fab Friday – children and parents invited to look at books
Parents Evenings (online)

Monday 10th October 2022

Monday 20th February 2023 Monday 26th June 2023

Thursday 3rd November (in classrooms) Friday 4th November (in classrooms) Tuesday 8th November Wednesday 9th November Dear Parents and carers,

This week the children have been working hard on their writing skills. In Willow they have been practising their instructional writing skills and have been creating some very important instructions about how to make a marmalade sandwich. In Beech class they have been writing the most amazing versions of the story of Paddington Bear. They started off by creating a story map of the original version, then did their own verbal re-telling using the story map as a prompt. They then set to the task of writing their own version. Mrs Le Fevre told me how impressed she was not only with the high quality of the writing but also the effort and focus shown by every single child.

In Maple class they have been using their letter writing skills to write to a friend all about their new friend 'Stig' who they met at the dump! Rowan have been using the story of Beowulf as a stimulus to write their own description of the character Grendel. They used role play to think about how Grendel might move and then transferred this into their writing, coming up with the most amazing choice of language to really demonstrate how they imagined this character would be. Oak have been focusing on biographies this week and have looked at some inspiring historical figures including Elizabeth Fry and Dr Barnardo amongst others.

I just wanted to remind all parents about the start times for each class. Children in Maple, Rowan and Oak should arrive at school between 8:40am and 8:50am. We use the first 20 minutes of the day for really important early morning tasks that are essential for their learning. Children in Willow and Beech class should arrive between 8:50am and 9:00am.

Please make sure you look at the 'dates for your diaries' section of the newsletter as we have added the dates for Parent Evenings and opportunities for you to come in and look at your child's work with them (Thrilling Thursday and Fab Friday). Parent Evenings this term will be virtual.

Can I also remind parents to complete the survey that came out this week about after school care as it is really important that we understand what the demand is and when people would want to access the service.

Finally, I want to say a massive thank you to all the mums who took part in the Brecon Beacons challenge and to all of you who sponsored them. They have raised a staggering £3240 so far which will enable us as a school to do some amazing things that will truly enhance the children's learning and experiences.

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	Henri	Krish	Camille
Beech	Teddy	Daisy	Skyla
Maple	Hannah	Ishaan	Olivia
Rowan	Zac	Gregory	Cordelia
Oak	Harry	Lola	Julia



General Information

Sparsholt Village Shop

Sweetie Friday is coming back! Available for 3.30pm pick up and 4.30pm after/before Street Dance.

The Village Shop has so much more than sweets. Please pop in sometime to see what is available. Fresh fruit and veg, fish, bread and sourdough Saturday, local meats, milks, yogurts and coffee, store cupboard groceries, wine and beer and so much more. Also a full service post office.

Other Information





The Gregg School

FoSS Update

Mums Went Mountain Mad!

They did it!

Last weekend a group of our mums completed a challenging 22km route across the Brecon Beacons.

They raised over £3000 for school!

There were blisters, sore knees and heavy legs but they did it, and with smiles on their faces too.

Thank you to everyone who donated, your contributions really will make a difference to our school.

If you'd still like to make a donation, please take a look at the <u>GoFundMe</u> page.

All donations greatly appreciated! https://gofund.me/92890cf7





Wednesday 5th October – FoSS social night in The Plough, Sparsholt from 7.30pm - everyone welcome!

