Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

4th October 2024



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Congratulations to our new Year 6 prefects!

REMINDERS FOR W/C MONDAY 7th OCTOBER

- ✓ Monday 7th October 9am to 12pm Open Morning for prospective parents
- ✓ Monday 7th October 3:45pm Phonics Information Session for Year R parents
- ✓ Wednesday 9th October morning Flu Vaccinations
- ✓ Thursday 10th October afternoon Individual & Sibling School Photographs
- ✓ Friday 11th October all day INSET Day

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been another packed week which as you know included the challenge of a full area wide power outage on Monday afternoon. The children and staff all dealt with it so incredibly well with everyone adapting to the circumstances. Thank you so much to all of you for your understanding when it became apparent that we would be unable to run our after school clubs. We really do appreciate your support.

This week saw our Year 6 pupils complete their Bikeability training with every member of the group showing such determination and focus especially when they were out on the road. The instructors commented on what a great group they were and also the enthusiasm they showed and I am pleased to announce that every single one of them passed.

Some of you may have noticed that yesterday work is now continuing on Willow front playground which we are really pleased about. The work being done includes a new fence and gate into the area and the area being resurfaced. This should now see the completion of this project, providing the children with a really spacious and more useable outdoor space to develop their gross motor skills and physical agility.

Yesterday I had the utmost pleasure of being involved in the interview process for this year's prefects. Everyone who wished to be considered was asked to write a letter of application outlining why they thought they would make a good prefect. Both myself and Mrs Gwilliam, having read the applications, were incredibly impressed with the quality of every single one and the thought and time that had evidently gone into them. The second part of the application process was a group interview with yet again everyone impressing with their thoughtful responses. It was a real joy at the end to be able to welcome them all onto the Senior Leadership team and express mine and Mrs Gwilliam's excitement at working with them all during the year ahead.

Next week is also looking like a busy one with our first Open Morning for prospective Year R parents taking place on Monday morning. If you haven't already, we would really appreciate your help at advertising our open mornings and getting the word out about our wonderful school.

On Monday afternoon, we have our Phonics Workshop for Year R parents taking place at 3.45pm in Willow Class. If you haven't returned your slip saying you will be attending please do so.

Please don't forget that next Friday (11th) is an INSET day with school being closed to all the children. We as a staff team are really excited as we will be undertaking training with the Hampshire and IOW Wildlife Trust around outdoor learning and how to utilise the grounds we have effectively. As you know, outdoor learning is one of our key school improvement priorities this year and to be able to have access to such high quality training is fantastic.

I really 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	Beauden	Gracey	James
Beech	Zachary	Tillie	Enid
Maple	Reuben	Liv	Jemima
Rowan	Henry	Hannah	Hemming
Oak	Zevon	Lucy	Tom



House Point "Rosette" Awards

Following on from last year's scolosaurus awards, this year the children who achieve the required number of house points (see below), will come home with a lovely rosette badge.

Bronze "rosette" awards are given out to children who have earned 100 house points. Silver "rosette" awards are given out to children who have earned 200 house points. Gold "rosette" awards are given out to children who have earned 300 house points.

Sparsholt Shooting Stars Sports Challenge

Some sporting achievements from home to highlight this week:

- * Ishaan awarded 'Octopus 3' in his swimming class
- Krish awarded 'Octopus 1' in his swimming class and achieved his best time for Winchester Junior Park Run
- * Finbar passed Stage 2 swimming and achieved his 5m badge
- * Max played his first match for Littleton, scoring 3 goals
- * Zachary awarded 'player of the day' at his football training
- * Joshie got man of the match, playing in goal for his football team

Well done everyone!

Please do keep sending your achievements into us!

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Key Dates for the Diary



Sparsholt C of E Primary School Dates for your diary - 2024/25

Term: Autumn 1

Date	Event	Location	Time	Parents Invited?	Notes
Mon 7th Oct 2024	Open morning for prospective parents	School	9:30am - 12:00pm	n/a	Please share with the community
Mon 7th Oct 2024	Phonics Information session	Willow classroom	3:45pm	Yes	For parents of Reception children only
Fri 11th Oct 2024	INSET Day	Home	All day	n/a	
Fri 18th Oct 2024	School Harvest Festival	Playground / Hall	915am	Yes	Weather dependent
Fri 25th Oct 2024	Last day of half-term	School	3:30pm	n/a	in .

Important Notices

1. Flu Vaccinations

A message from the NHS School Age Immunisation Service

Your child's annual Nasal Flu Vaccination is NOW DUE. If you have not yet provided consent, please follow the link below to do so (please also complete the form, even if you **do not** consent). You have until 9am on Monday 7th October to provide consent.

Click the link below for the electronic form and information about the vaccine.

School Code: SH116317

Session date: Wednesday 9 October 2024

Year Group: Year R - 6

Link to website: Nasal Flu Vaccination Programme : Hampshire Healthy Families

If you decide you do not wish your child to receive the vaccine against flu, please submit the form to record your decision. This will enable us to update your child's immunisation record.

2. Year 7 Secondary School Applications

For parents of our current Year 6 children, please remember that applications for your child's Year 7 secondary school place close on **31**st **October 2024.** Please refer to the Hampshire Admissions website if you need any further information.

3. Southampton FC Partner School – Soccer School Discount

A message from Saints FC:

As a new partner school, we wanted to provide you with a unique code which can be used on our soccer school provision for October half term which provides the booker with 25% off their booking across our range of venues below (this offer does not include Staplewood our training ground):

- Applemore College, Dibden Purlieu
- Deer Park School, Botley
- The Henry Beaufort School. Winchester
- Mountbatten School, Romsey

Please see below for booking link and discount code.

https://coaching.southamptonfc.com/courses/courses.htm?coursesSearch=search&startDate=&typeId=7 8%2C118%2C208%2C212&ageFrom=&ageTo=&schoolYearFrom=&schoolYearTo=&venueId=

Code: PARTSS



FoSS Update

FoSS FY24 Report

The FoSS FY24 Report has now been emailed out to you with this newsletter. Please have a read as it details (amongst other things);

- the funds raised from the previous year,
- what the money was used for,
- the minimum target amount we need for this year
- what we need to money for

WhatsApp Communities

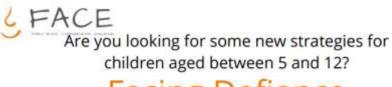
Miriam has done a great job sorting out the Community WhatsApp group and subgroups. We have a number of events planned for this year so if you would like to be added to the 'Events' group (or any of the other groups), please message Miriam (07974 158974) and she can add you. You can also come on and off from the groups as you please. So, if you just want to join the 'Event' group for 'Movie Night' you can join this and then come off again after if you don't want to/unable to help with the next event so you don't end up receiving unwanted messages.

Autumn Term Upcoming Events:

Event	Details
Movie Night	We will be running another film night open to all classes.
Friday 25th October	Disease size we vie the FeCC link holew. This is a negative event
Friday 25 th October	Please sign up via the FoSS link below. This is a popular event
<u>6-8PM</u>	with a limited number of spaces so please sign up as soon as
	possible to avoid disappointment!
MOVIE	
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NGT	events.co.uk/sparsholt/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=86943
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	We would be grateful to anyone who could help with this
	event. Please sign up via the website under 'Movie Night
	Helpers'
Wine Tasting	More information and link to follow.
Friday 22 nd November	
Thay 22 Hovember	
Disco	KS1 and KS2 Disco. We will split the key stages with the younger
	ones going first and the older ones straight after.
Last week of term	
Date and time TBC	If anyone has DJing skills they would like to show off or knows a
	thing or two about a good disco – we would love for you to be
DISCO	involved!

Other Information





Facing Defiance



Six week course: 6 online Teach sessions (one hour on Sundays) plus applying the strategies at home during the week £72 (1 or 2 parents can attend) for more info and to book

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk