

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

12th July 2024

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

- ❖ Reminders for the end of term
- ❖ Headteacher weekly update
- ❖ School Awards
- ❖ Dates for the Diary
- ❖ Important Notices – **PLEASE READ**
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Flying High with Mr Cobbold

Year 6 having an incredible time at Cameron's Cottage



REMINDERS FOR THE END OF TERM

- ✓ Final day to bring in costumes for the school production – Mon 15th July
- ✓ Whole school production afternoon performance – 1:15pm Wed 17th July
- ✓ Whole school production evening performance – 6pm Thurs 18th July
 - FoSS packed tea (if purchased) from 5pm
- ✓ Year 6 Leavers BBQ – 6 – 8pm Mon 22nd July
- ✓ Year 6 Leavers Service – St. Stephen's Church – 9:30am Tues 23rd July
- ✓ Break-up for the Summer Holidays – 3:30pm Tues 23rd July

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it has definitely been another whirlwind of a week with so much going on and I really can't believe we only have a week and a half to go until the end of this academic year. The rehearsals for the performance are going really well with everything starting to come together. The school is full of props, from carpets to snakes to a multitude of different sized baskets and Mrs Gwilliam is weaving her magic with set design and stage directions. Currently the weather forecast is looking like it is going to be kind to us so we are keeping everything crossed that this is the case.

Around the rehearsals, there has been a multitude of other things going on. On Monday, Willow and Beech visited Hillier's Gardens and had a fabulous time. Every child I spoke to said that they enjoyed every minute but told me that the best bit was the pond dipping!

On Tuesday, we had another phenomenal 'Tell Me Tuesday' with Mr Cobbold (Aubrey and Madeleine's Dad) taking us all on an impromptu flight to Seattle. We had the inflight information relayed to us by Captain Cobbold from the cockpit including the flight duration, route and weather we would experience on the way. Mr Cobbold did an amazing job of talking to the children about what an airline pilot does, the flight plans they have to follow, the safety procedures and most importantly about how a plane actually manages to fly – we even learned about the Bernoulli effect!

On Wednesday, Year 6 had the opportunity to spend the day at Cameron's Cottage in the New Forest due to Isabella having won a competition at Winchester College of which the top prize was a visit to Cameron's cottage. They had a fabulous day building dens, enjoying the outdoors and then having a bbq and eating marshmallows!

This week, we received our KS2 SATs results and I cannot tell you how proud I am of all our year 6 pupils who approached the tests with real determination. Every one of them should be so proud of not only what they achieved in SATs but most importantly the amazing role models they have been and also the positive difference they have made for others.

Today, children in Years R to Year 5 will be coming home with their end of year school reports (Year 6 reports will be out next week due to SATs results needing to be processed). Having read every report, it is always so uplifting to realise what amazing children we have here and their reports reflect this. We very much hope that you find the information useful and please do feedback any thoughts on the Parent questionnaire that will accompany the report.

Thank you so much to everyone who so kindly donated raffle prizes today as part of the FoSS non-uniform day. We and the FoSS team really do appreciate your generosity and the funds that are raised through these events.

Please can I kindly ask that you read the "Important Notices" section of this newsletter carefully, as it contains a lot of new and useful information, including confirmation of the inset days for next year and also the club timetable for the Autumn Term.

I really hope you all have a fantastic weekend and fingers crossed England see victory in this Sunday's Euros Final (and it doesn't go to extra time so we don't have a school full of VERY tired children!).

We are really looking forward to seeing you all at next week's whole school performance.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty

School Awards

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	Zachary	Niam	Enid
Beech	Henri	Harry	Skyla
Maple	George	Emily	Scarlett
Rowan	Madeleine	Diya	Lucy
Oak	Oscar	Julia	Molly



House Point “Scolosaurus” Awards

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

Bronze “scolosaurus” awards are given out to children who have earned 100 house points.

Silver “scolosaurus” awards are given out to children who have earned 200 house points.

Gold “scolosaurus” awards are given out to children who have earned 300 house points.

This week we were delighted to present the following award:

**GOLD: Zac, Edward P,
Zevon, Allana**

**SILVER: Neve, Oscar,
Erin C**

BRONZE:



Dates for the Diary - Summer Term 2 2024

Date	Event	Time	Parents invited	New event?
Wed 17 th July	Whole school outdoor production	1:15pm	Yes	
Thurs 18 th July	Whole school outdoor production	6:00pm	Yes	
Tues 23 rd July	Year 6 Leaver's Service	9:30am	Yes Families of Year 6	
Tues 23 rd July	Last day of school year	3:30am	N/A	
Wed 24 th July to Fri 30 th Aug	Summer Holidays	N/A	N/A	
Mon 2 nd Sept - Tues 3 rd Sept	INSET DAYS	N/A	N/A	
Wed 4 th Sept	Children return to school	8:50am	N/A	

Important Notices

1. After-school clubs – end dates for this term

All clubs, apart from Integr8 Dance, have now finished for the year. Integr8 Dance finishes on **Friday 19th July**.

2. Summer Outdoor Production - Aladdin and his Magic Lamp

We are delighted to invite you to our Summer Production, Aladdin, which is due to take place on **Wednesday 17th July at 1:15pm and Thursday 18th July at 6pm**. This year the performances will once again take place on the school field, weather permitting, and as we have plenty of space outside we do not need to limit numbers and issue tickets.



FoSS will be selling refreshments and raffle tickets on both days. FoSS will also be offering a packed tea for the children on the Thursday evening before the show. If you would like to book a space for your child, please go to the following link; [FoSS Packed Tea for Show](#).

Wet weather

Unfortunately, this year, we have been unable to secure the Memorial Hall as an alternative for the Thursday evening performance. This means that if the weather is wet and the performance is unable to go ahead, the show will be postponed and the alternative evening date is **Monday 22nd July at 5:30pm**.

3. Costumes for the Summer Outdoor Production

The costume requirements (for Years R to 5) for our magical event are detailed below:

- Black, baggy, non-logo joggers **OR** harem loose baggy style / Ali Baba pants / genie pants (any bright colour)
- A bright coloured plain t-shirt (long or short-sleeved) - purple, blue, green, yellow, orange
- A silk-type scarf to tie around waist
- Black school shoes
- If you have a bright waistcoat with gold trim, this is optional

If you haven't brought your costume into school already, please bring your costume into school in a named carrier bag on **Monday 15th July**.

4. Inset Days for next year

The inset days for the 2024 – 2025 academic year are listed below. Please note that there will be one further inset day, but the date for this has not yet been confirmed:

- **Monday 2nd September 2024**
 - **Tuesday 3rd September 2024**
 - **Friday 11th October 2024**
 - **Friday 14th February 2025**
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5. Meal prices for next academic year – a message from Hampshire Education Catering service

The price of school meals will increase on **Monday 2nd September 2024** by 20p to **£3.20** for all pupils and young people across Hampshire who purchase school meals through Hampshire County Council's Education Catering service.

Why the price is increasing

The meal price reflects the impact of inflation, including food price rises and associated costs. The current price has been held since June 2023. While we understand that price increases are never welcome, we have done everything we can to restrict the rise, while remaining a National Living Wage employer and therefore offering staff better terms and conditions of employment than some commercial competitors.

We are still committed to providing high-quality, delicious meals that support the learning of Hampshire's young people, including those from low-income households who rely on our hot meals.

6. Club Timetable for next year (Autumn Term 2024)

Please see the clubs timetable for Autumn Term 2024 below. Please refer to the separate email sent out today (Friday 12th July) for further information about how to book children on to clubs.

Day	After-School Clubs	Timings	Notes
Monday	Upbeat Pop & Rock (Years 1 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by Upbeat Pop & Rock. Please book and pay directly at upbeatmusiccourses@gmail.com / 07816901396
Tuesday	Lacrosse (Years 3 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by the school. Payable termly in advance. £35 per full term.
	Mad Science (Years 1 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by Mad Science. Please book and pay directly at Wessex.madscience.org
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. £35 per full term.
	Junior Football Club (Years 1 – 3)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by Southampton FC. Please book and pay directly at SFC coaching
Thursday	Artiology Club (Years 1 – 3)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by Halli Ormerod. More information to follow shortly.
	Senior Football Club (Years 4 – 6)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Run by Southampton FC. Please book and pay directly at SFC coaching
Friday	Integr8 Dance – Sparsholt Minis (Year R – 2)	3:30pm – 4:30pm	Please book and pay directly with Integr8Dance – info@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 – info@integr8dance.com / 01962 808398

7. Breakfast Club for 2024-2025

We are delighted to say that we will be continuing to run our extended provision Breakfast Club next academic year. This club will start on **Wednesday 4th September**.

- The club operates Monday to Friday from 8:00am to 8:40am and will be 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 can be dropped off at any time between 8:00am and 8:40am but need to arrive by 8:20am to receive breakfast. The cost is the same regardless of arrival time.
- The Breakfast Club is operated and staffed by the school.

The bookings for Breakfast Club for next academic year are now on Arbor. Please see the separate e-mail for further information regarding booking your child onto Breakfast Club.

Other Information

TUESDAY 23RD JULY
FROM 4PM

JOIN US FOR OUR 2024

END OF SCHOOL PARTY

FREE ENTRY

THE PLOUGH INN SPARSHOLT

CELEBRATE THE LAST DAY OF TERM WITH US AND KICKSTART YOUR SUMMER WITH FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

LIVE MUSIC - KIDS HORSE RIDING - GAMES IN THE GARDEN - ICE CREAM

VISIT [HTTPS://THE.LITTLEPUBGROUP.CO.UK/THE-PLOUGH-INN](https://the.littlepubgroup.co.uk/the-plough-inn) FOR MORE INFORMATION

Come and join our Music Mayhem Summer Activity Days

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Join us for three days of music and fun this summer! With opportunities to try new instruments and learn new skills and working with others to create songs and even form a rock band!

We have lots of instrumental workshops over the three days including samba, music production, woodwind, strings and a Rock2theBeat workshop with guitar, bass and drums!

Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th August 2024
9.30am to 4.00pm each day

Suitable for Years 3 - 8 (as at September 2023)
The Kings School Fair Oak
Fair Oak SO50 7DB

£90 for the three days

Scan the QR Code to Sign up. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis as these are limited.

Hampshire County Council

www.hants.gov.uk/hms

24TH JULY - 30TH AUGUST

Summer schools

For primary school aged children

FUNDED PLACES AVAILABLE
for children eligible for means tested Free School Meals

To book or for more info contact:
info@integr8dance.com or 01962 808398