

# Sparsholt C of E Primary School



## Weekly Newsletter

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

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

- ❖ Important dates for your diaries
- ❖ Headteacher weekly update
- ❖ Core Christian Value Awards
- ❖ General Information
- ❖ FoSS Update



**Inset Days 22/23**

**Pet Service**

**Children's School Portrait Photographs**

**Secondary School Open Days**

### Dates for your diaries

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 10am, The Green – Woodman Close**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**See School Website Calendar**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The school has been a hive of activity this week, with all the children fully immersed in their learning, and despite it being a shorter week, so much has been achieved.

In all the classes creativity seems to have been the order of the day. In Willow class the children have been using the story of Paddington Bear to help them with their learning linked to London and the Great Fire of London. They have been using their creative skills to make Paddington Bear faces and split-pin bears. Every time I have been lucky enough to go into the classroom, it is so clear how engaged they all are. Beech have also been putting their artistic skills to good use and have been looking at the work of Lowry and creating their own matchstick men playground pictures.

Maple have been using the story 'How to wash a woolly mammoth' as an inspiration for writing their own instructions. They have used their own creativity to make them interesting and fun whilst also clear and concise. Rowan class have been busy putting their drama and role play skills to good use whilst learning about the properties of solids, liquids and gases. It is quite a sight to behold to see a group of children moving like each of the three states. Oak have been busily investigating electrical circuits and using their creativity to build different circuits for different purposes. They have also been learning about electrical components and symbols to enable them to draw their own.

Again, it has been such a pleasure to see all the children working together and supporting each other, and whilst our Year R children have only been with us for a few short weeks, you can already see how immersed they are in school life and the school community.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and please remember that the Pet Service is taking place on Sunday at 10.00am on The Green in Woodman close if you would like to join.

I would also like to wish good luck to our intrepid FoSS mums who are off to the Brecon Beacons this weekend and are taking part in a sponsored trek to raise much needed funds for the school.

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
<b>Willow</b>	Phoebe	Evie	Jack
<b>Beech</b>	Birdie	Scarlett	Tom
<b>Maple</b>	Mia	Lori	Tom
<b>Rowan</b>	Toby	Madeleine	Neve
<b>Oak</b>	Nancy S	Patch	Daisie



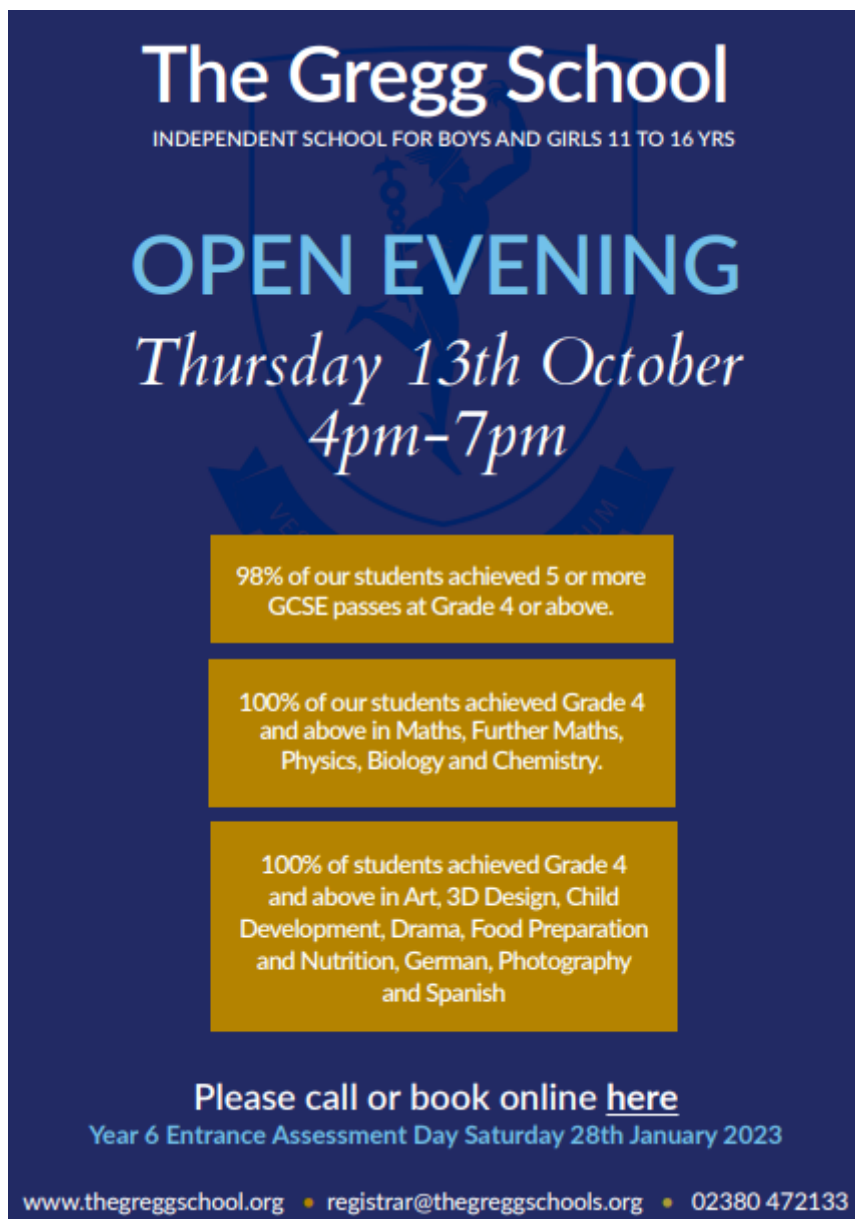
## General Information

### Sparsholt Village Shop

Sweetie Friday is coming back! Hopefully from 30th September (TBC by WhatsApp). 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  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS 11 TO 16 YRS

**OPEN EVENING**  
*Thursday 13th October*  
*4pm-7pm*

98% of our students achieved 5 or more GCSE passes at Grade 4 or above.

100% of our students achieved Grade 4 and above in Maths, Further Maths, Physics, Biology and Chemistry.

100% of students achieved Grade 4 and above in Art, 3D Design, Child Development, Drama, Food Preparation and Nutrition, German, Photography and Spanish

Please call or book online [here](#)  
Year 6 Entrance Assessment Day Saturday 28th January 2023

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## FoSS Update

Thank you for all those who came to the Family BBQ last Friday. It was a lovely social event and we **raised over £400 for the school.**

**THANK YOU!!!**

We have also given £2500 of the money raised last year to the school. Each class teacher is given £500 to buy resources and extras that they want for their classrooms.

It is this weekend that 20 of us are heading to the Brecon Beacons to walk up Pen y Fan. There is still time to sponsor us .... See below.

Have a lovely weekend!

### FOSS Brecon Challenge – Mums Have Gone Mountain Mad!

A group of mums are on a mission to raise vital funds for our school this month. On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September, they will embark on a gruelling trek through the Brecon Beacons. They aim to complete the challenging 16km route, which takes in 4 peaks and many steep ascents and descents within 6-7 hours.

For many participants, this is a daunting prospect and they have spent the summer clocking up the kilometres as part of their training, and so they would really value your support.



The good news is, you can support them without having to leave home! The sole reason for doing this is to raise money for the school and each participant has not only agreed to take part in the challenge, they have also committed to donating their own money – so please show your support by sponsoring the team. All money raised will go directly towards the school and support a number of key projects, one of those being the installation of a new kitchen learning space which will enable our children to start having practical food tech lessons.

Please take a look at the [GoFundMe](https://gofund.me/92890cf7) page. All donations greatly appreciated! <https://gofund.me/92890cf7>

**FOSS Events CALENDAR**  
Save the date

All dates are subject to change. Please keep an eye on our Facebook page and the school newsletter for updates!

Autumn Term	Spring term	Summer Term
15.9 Family BBQ	27.1 Movie Night	16.6 Father's Day
23.9 Brecon Challenge	TBC Whole School Marathon	TBC Icecream Sales
17-21.10 Class Coin Challenge	17.3 Mothers Day Shop	TBC Sports Day
24.11 WinterWander Light Trail	TBC Cake Sales	TBC Summer Show and Raffle
TBC Christmas Shows and Raffle	31.3 Easter Fair	

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