

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter

7th June 2024

Learning about life in Uganda with Ms Lewis

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

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Sparsholt School Swimming Team at the Primary Schools' Swimming Gala



Sparsholt School Girls' Cricket Team at this year's Cricket Tournament at Kings School

REMINDERS FOR W/C MONDAY 10th JUNE 2024

- ✓ School Community Event to tidy up pond area – from 10am Sat 8th June
- ✓ Year 6 at Calshot for Residential – all week
- ✓ Maple and Rowan trip to Hilliers Gardens – Mon 10th June all day



OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY



Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow what an amazing week! Yet again we have managed to fit so much into the last 5 days and the children have approached everything with their usual enthusiasm and focus.

On Tuesday, our Tell me Tuesday was presented by Ms Lewis (Jonathan's mum), who talked about her teaching experiences in Uganda. The children were amazed by the similarities and differences between our school and schools in Uganda. The children learnt a lot of locational geography and facts and figures on the climate and economy. The children particularly enjoyed the quiz at the end and showed how engaged they had been in this wonderful talk.

On Wednesday, we had Christine, the Southern regional WaterAid representative, in to talk to the children about the work of this amazing charity. She explained to the children about the 3 WaterAid goals: Clean water; improved sanitation and proper hygiene. She also talked about the impact of the lack of clean water for many societies and the distance many people have to travel (mostly by foot) to access a clean water source. The children were fascinated by the live demonstration of a working tap made from sticks and a plastic bottle. The children presented Christine with the magnificent sum of £500 which they have raised through both school and personal fundraising initiatives.

After school on Wednesday, our girls' cricket team took part in the group stages of the Girls' Winchester and Eastleigh Cricket tournament and I am really pleased to announce that they were victorious and have made it through to the knock out stages which will take place on the 19th June. The winner of the knock out stage will then go on to compete in the County finals which as many of you know our girls came 3rd in last year which was a huge accomplishment.

Yesterday's Outdoor Learning Day was a real success with all the children thoroughly immersed in every activity from learning about symmetry in nature to the science around the growth of plants. They thoroughly enjoyed learning about map making and using nature for art. They also honed their DT skills by making beautiful dreamcatchers. The weather was perfect and seeing the children enjoying working together in mixed aged groups was wonderful. As always, our older pupils made sure they supported the younger ones and I felt so proud to see how much care and attention they gave to each other.

This morning, a group of our Year 4, 5 & 6 children attended the Winchester Schools' swimming gala at the Winchester Leisure Centre. As always they were an absolute credit to the school and supported each other through every race. The girls' team even came back with 3rd place rosettes in the invitational relay. Well done to all of the team for having the courage to compete in this event, with many of our swimmers swimming competitively for the first ever time.

Next week, our Year 6s are off on their residential to Calshot Activity Centre. I have no doubt that they will have an amazing time and will be a credit to the school in every way. Our Year 6s have become such amazing role models for all our younger pupils and I know that the experiences they will have on the residential will continue to develop their resilience and they will learn so much from being there together.

Yesterday, you should have received an email with a link to our Parent Survey. Thank you so much to those of you who have already completed it. If you haven't had a chance yet, please do click on the link below or scan the QR code which will take you to the survey:

[Parent Survey June 2024](#)

Finally, thank you in advance to those of you who have volunteered to come in to school tomorrow to help with the pond area. I am really looking forward to seeing you all and getting this project nearer to completion.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

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	Maxi	Ezra	George
Beech	Henry	Phoebe	Olive
Maple	Sophie	Edi	Felix
Rowan	Fallon	Harrison	Elise
Oak	Zac	Adam	Ella



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: Joshie

**SILVER: Olivia B, Harry,
Hemming**

BRONZE:



Dates for the Diary - Summer Term 2 2024

Date	Event	Time	Parents invited	New event?
Mon 10 th June to Fri 14 th June	Year 6 Residential	N/A	N/A	
Wed 19 th June	Sports Day	1:15pm	Yes	
Fri 21 st June	Class photos	N/A	N/A	
Fri 28 th June	INSET DAY	N/A	N/A	
Mon 1 st July	Marvellous Monday - all classes Invitation to come in with your child and view their work.	3:35pm - 4:15pm	Yes All parents / carers	
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. Maple and Rowan Trip to Hilliers Gardens – Monday 10th June

Please provide your child with a packed lunch and a drink in a backpack. The children should wear light long-sleeved tops and trousers to minimise the risk of ticks, and sensible covered shoes. Trainers or wellies are ideal. Please provide your child with suitable outdoor clothing for the weather: a warm waterproof coat if cool weather is forecast and if hot, a sunhat. Please apply sun cream before leaving home. We will be out in the open all day!

2. Year 6 Residential to Calshot – Monday 10th June – Friday 14th June

We are travelling by coach and plan to leave Sparsholt School at 10:30am on Monday. Therefore, we would be grateful if you could keep your child at home for the first part of the morning and bring them into school at 10:00am **WITH A PACKED LUNCH** please (in a disposable bag). We shall be leaving Calshot after lunch on the Friday and should return to School by 2:00pm. Children can be collected at this time if you would like, but can also stay until 3:30pm if you would prefer. We will of course keep you updated on the Friday of any change in arrival time at school.

FoSS Update

Event		Details
Pond Area Community Event <u>Saturday 8th June</u> <u>@ 10am</u>		Please let your class reps know if you can help. Kick off will be from 10am. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help!
Father's Day <u>Final orders will be</u> <u>Monday 10th June</u>	<p>'Make a Marvellous Man'</p> 	We will be offering a gingerbread man from a local bakery, along with a decorating kit. These will be distributed on Friday 14 th June, and then the children can take them home to weave their artistic magic 😊 Cost will be £3 for a gingerbread man kit or £2.50 each if buying more than one. Ready to order now! FOSS (pta-events.co.uk)
Sparsholt Village Fete <u>Saturday 29th June</u>	FoSS will be having a stall TBA 	More information to follow. We will be looking for volunteers to help with the FoSS stall and the bar. If you think you can spare an hour or so we would very much appreciate it. Thank you

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NHS
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A free health & wellbeing event
for all parents, carers & professionals
who support or work with young people

WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

PACE events consist of two main components:

1. A number of specialist workshops on young people's emotional health and wellbeing.
2. Information stands from local and national organisations.

Attendees can choose which sessions they would like to attend; select as many or as few as you would like to attend.

FRIDAY 19TH JULY 2024

OAKLANDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL, STAKES HILL RD,
WATERLOOVILLE, PO7 7BW

WORKSHOPS:

NEW Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD), Tourette's Syndrome and Tics, Supporting your Autistic Child to Thrive, and Disability, Difficulty, SEND & Mental Health.

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