

SPARSHOLT PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWS
24th June 2016

Dates for your diaries

Inset Dates
Sparsholt Village Fete

16th Sept, 26th Sept, 27th Jan 2017, 24th & 25th July
Saturday 25th June 1pm

Weekly Update from Mrs McCarthy

Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to inform you that our Mosaic Awards for this week have been presented to:

<u>Willow Class</u>	<u>Beech Class</u>	<u>Maple Class</u>	<u>Rowan Class</u>	<u>Oak Class</u>
Seth	Max	George	Ella	Max
Megan B	Madeleine	Reuben	Freya	Shadat
Jessica	William			

Thank you for joining us for our Sports Afternoon this week. I am so glad we picked Tuesday! As always the children were fantastic both on the track and with their support for others. I apologise that the afternoon overran and we are in the process of thinking about possible changes for next year, for example, reviewing how we present the medals.

Sports Day Results:

1st with 111 points - Key; 2nd with 107 points - Star; 3rd with 106 points - Wave; 4th with 101 points - Rope

I just wanted to say that the total now raised from the Road to Rio Event is £2250. A truly amazing achievement - thank you so much. Every child who made a donation was entered into the raffle to win their own set of lacrosse sticks. Congratulations to Jack S, Jamie, George, Esther, Connor and William H!

Our Year 6 pupils have been to Winchester Cathedral today with other local church schools to participate in the Leavers' Service. I hope that they enjoyed the day.

I would like to wish the Lacrosse Team, who are competing in the Pop Lacrosse Nationals in Sheffield representing our school this weekend, the very best of luck. Again, thank you to parents, Mrs Gwilliam and Julia for supporting the competition.

The Year 6 pupils will be off to Fairthorne Manor for their residential on Monday and I am sure that a good time will be had by all. Mrs Gwilliam and Mrs Laver will be accompanying the children and I will be teaching Year 4 and 5 for the majority of the week.

Thank you to the children who have volunteered to dance at the Sparsholt Village Fete tomorrow. The Country Dancing will start at 2.30pm. Thank you to Mrs Edwards for helping the children to learn the dances. I look forward to seeing you there.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Lindsay McCarthy

Headteacher

Club Cancellations for your diaries

Please note that as some of our staff are away at the Year 6 residential week, we will be cancelling both the rounders and athletics clubs on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th June.

FoSS Jumble Sale, next Thursday 30th June, 2.30-4.30pm

FoSS are holding a second-hand children's clothes sale in the Hall next **Thursday 30th June, 2.30-4.30pm**. We would love your donations of good quality, clean, second-hand clothes, including children's dresses, trousers, tops, coats, school uniform, school bags, shoes, wellies, ski clothes etc. Children's clothes only please.

There will be a car following the morning school bus on Thursday 30th to collect donations, or you can drop bags with Penny Smith, 15 North Drive or Nicki Harrison, 16 Rozelle Close, both in Littleton, or at school on Thursday 30th June.

Any unsold clothes will go in the Bag2School collection the next day, Friday 1st July (see below). There will be another collection on Friday 1st July, following the school bus in the morning, for items that are just for the Bag2School collection, or drop bags outside school on Friday morning.

Bag2School - Friday 1st July

A Bag2School plastic bag will be coming home in the book bags in readiness for the collection next Friday 1st July. A great opportunity to go through the cupboards and wardrobes to have a good clear out as Bag2School specialise in 2nd hand clothing that can be reused. The more the bags weigh, the more they pay for our fundraising for school. The bag details what is accepted but **no bedding, curtains or towels** please. If you need them, more bags are available in the school office. If your children are on the bus (Crawley/Littleton and Sparsholt College), bring your bag to the bus stop for collection, otherwise please bring directly to school by 9am next Friday 1st July.

Vacancy at Sparsholt primary School

Sparsholt C of E Primary School is looking to appoint an enthusiastic and committed Learning Support Assistant to join our energetic and hardworking team from September 2016. The hours are 8.30am to 1.15pm Monday to Friday (this includes a daily lunch duty). Your responsibilities will include supporting individuals and groups of children in class and delivering intervention programmes. This will be across Years 3 to 6.

The successful candidate will:

- Be flexible, well-organised and calm;
- Be a good team player;
- Have strong numeracy and literacy skills;

If you are enthusiastic, committed and have high expectations we would welcome your application. Please request an application pack from the school office.

Closing Date: Friday 8th July 2016 Noon

Interview Date: Friday 15th July 2016

SPONSORED MOUNTAIN RACE – 2nd July 2016



Gemma Farrand, Katherine Edgecombe, Mo Sullivan, Penny Smith, Amy Ainsworth and Debbie Caldwell are training for The Fan Dance race– a gruelling 24km race over two sides of Pen Y Fan, the highest mountain in the Brecon Beacons. This infamous route has long been a part of SAS and SBS selection process.

The race, which takes place on 2nd July, appeals to anyone who wished they'd joined the SAS – and 6 Sparsholt mums trying to do the toughest challenge they could come up with to raise money for the school.

As they puff and pant and sob their way up Pen Y Fan in the blistering heat/ torrential rain – they will need plenty of motivation.....and *sponsorship for their fundraising project – the school playground* - will do it!

You may have noticed that the play equipment is very dated and sometimes out of bounds. The playground / play equipment needs to be refurbished and this is going to be expensive. Mrs McCarthy is in the process of plans and quotes, but at this stage the figure of £20,000 looks likely.

All of the children will benefit – so whether it's £5 or £500(!).....please, please, please take 2 minutes to click on the link below and make a donation. Their target is an ambitious £3000.....they will be giving updates over the next 2 weeks....but please click, sponsor and help them get to the target.

<https://campaign.justgiving.com/charity/sparsholt-pta/fandance>