

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



25th June 2021

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days

Inset Days from September 2021

Monday July 12th

Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd September 2021

Return to school on September 6th 2021

Monday 4th October 2021, Monday 31st January 2022, Monday 27th June 2022

Winchester Primary Schools Digital Safety Event

Thursday 1st July 2021 from 6pm -7pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

Whilst I am so proud of all of our children, I am especially proud this week of our Year 6 pupils who have been away at Calshot Activities Centre on their residential. Having had the pleasure of being with them for their afternoon and evening activities this week, I can tell you first-hand how amazing they have all been. They have pushed themselves out of their comfort zones, supported each other whole heartedly and, in Mrs Gwilliam's words, 'flown the flag for Sparsholt Primary School'. I know that all the staff who have spent time down there, including Mrs Gwilliam and Miss Bell who have been with the children for the entire week, couldn't be more proud of the children's amazing attitude and behaviour. Well done Year 6!

As a school, we know how important these experiences are for all of our children and it is so nice that as restrictions continue to lift, we are able to ensure the children have the opportunity to step out of the classroom. Next week, all of our children will be taking part in the SCARF Life education workshops, which are aimed at helping children navigate the world around them. In addition, our KS1 children will be going on their first trip since the pandemic started. They are off to Hillier Gardens where they will be experiencing a meadow sweep, pond dipping and 'sensory caterpillars' amongst other exciting activities.

Please remember that Governor Applications are due in by the 1st July. This is such an important role and I would urge all parents to consider applying so that we can ensure we have a diverse range of skills and experience that can help the school on its continued journey.

I hope you all have a lovely 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. Three children from each class are nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: Courage, Compassion and Creativity

	Willow	Beech	Maple	Rowan	Oak
Courage	Jacob	Hannah	Soli	Hannah	Isabelle
Compassion	Aanika	Verity	Julia	Sophie N	Seth
Creativity	Pippa	Hugh	Nancy	Megan	William T

Parent Governor Vacancy

Please note that the closing date for applications received in school is 12 noon, Thursday 1st July 2021

Hampshire School Meals - Medical Special Diets

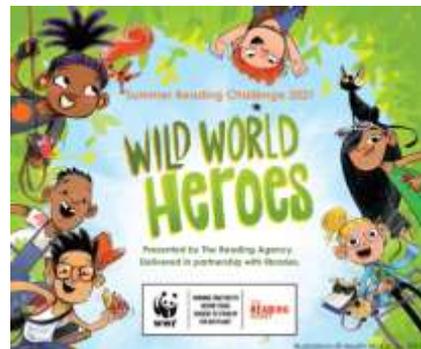
Along with this edition of the newsletter you will find 2 fliers from HC3S (Hampshire School Meals) giving details of their new online portal for registering children who require a medical special diet at school. The first flier is for those parents who have never registered before and the second is for those wishing for their child/children to continue receiving a special diet from September 2021. There is a telephone number and email address on both fliers if you have further questions.

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

Get ready for Wild World Heroes, arriving online and in your local library this summer. Join the Wild World Heroes for the Summer Reading Challenge and discover how you can make a difference to the environment too.

Winchester library are teaming up with WWF for a very special nature-themed challenge that will inspire you to stand up for the planet! Wild World Heroes will feature amazing books, awesome rewards, and plenty of ideas for taking care of our environment.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



[My Journey Transition Time toolkit](#) to support active journeys to a new school

Starting a new school is a big step for pupils and parents, not only in terms of education but also as it involves going to a new location with an often, unfamiliar journey.

This toolkit has been designed to support parents and pupils through the process of planning their new routes to school over the summer holidays and, as much as is possible, making them active, safe and sustainable.

There are separate downloadable booklets for pupils starting in Year R, Year 3 and Year 7, with two brand new humorous and historical films to enjoy, commissioned especially for this project. There are also lots of ideas for follow-up activities and links to many fantastic resources which support active travel.

<https://myjourneyhampshire.com/education/parents-active-travel-and-wellbeing-information/transition-time/hampshire-schools/>

Holiday Lunch Scheme

The Winchester Basics Bank are inviting families with school-aged children who feel they need some extra help over the school holidays to register for their Holiday Lunch Scheme

via <https://winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk/holidaylunchscheme> or ask your school for a application form. You do not need to be receiving Free School Meals to take advantage of this scheme; if you need a little extra help with food this year please apply. The scheme will provide weekly bags of food designed to provide five lunch meals for the children, and we can accommodate most dietary requirements. If you need more support with food for the whole family, please register for a full food parcel

- <https://winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk/get-help/>. This year there are 4 locations, but the Holiday Lunch Scheme collections are on specific days and only between 10-12pm; Highcliffe (Mon), New Alresford (Wed), Weeke (Thur) and Bar End (Thur). You will be asked to nominate which location you will be collecting your food from. The Holiday Lunch scheme will start on the week commencing 26 Jul.

If you have any questions about the Holiday Lunch Scheme please contact the Winchester Basics Bank on summerlunch@winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk or leave a message on 01962 864720. All other queries should be addressed to mail@winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk

Summer Holiday Activities

Attached to this letter are fliers from Integr8 and Perform advertising their summer holiday clubs (can you spot some of our children?) - Integr8 offer free spaces for children who are eligible for free school meals. There are other providers in this area offering free spaces too - please visit [Hampshire's Family Information and Services Hub](#) for more information, which is being continually updated.

Pyramid Primary Schools Digital Safety Event

Thursday 1st July 2021 6pm via MS TEAMS

We would like to invite you to a shared Digital Safety event, which will be held virtually on Thursday 1st July from 6pm -7pm and led by Dan Howes, The Westgate School's all-through Digital Safety Lead.

The evening will focus on:

- Tips and advice about how you can support your child at home when they are online and using devices
- Any other queries you may have - please let us know so we can pass this on

Keeping children safe in an increasingly digital world is such an important part of the safeguarding work we do within our schools and working in partnership with parents and carers is vital, as pupils are most likely to be online while they are at home in the evenings and weekend.

However, in addition to safeguarding children, it is equally important to teach children the skills they will need to become responsible digital citizens and to be able to thrive in a world where technology will play a key role in almost all future employment opportunities, as well as playing a significant part in how we now socialise and interact with friends and family in the 21st century.

Please follow the link below to access this event:

[Microsoft Teams meeting](#)

Join on your computer or mobile app

We recommend downloading Microsoft Teams from the link. Use Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome browsers, this link will NOT work within Safari.

Hampshire Constabulary renewed appeal for Witnesses and Dash Cam footage following fatal collision crash near Sparsholt

The collision happened on Tuesday 8th June at around 2.30pm. A blue Mini Cooper was travelling along Sarum Road when it collided with a pedal cycle that was travelling along Woodman Lane at the crossroads. The cyclist was taken to hospital, but died on the 16th June as a result from his injuries.

If you were travelling along Woodman Lane or Sarum Road between 2pm and 2.40pm on that day and saw what happened, or have dash cam footage of the incident, Hampshire Constabulary want to hear from you. Please call 101 or online quoting reference number 4421223675. Alternatively phone Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

After School Kid's Club

We offer an extended school provision (Kids Club) for Year R through to Year 6 pupils, Monday to Thursday from 3.35 to 5.30pm during term time. Children take part in craft and games and during dry weather are able to use the play facilities outside.

Our after school Kid's Club regulars will already have received this form, but if you are interested in starting to use Kids Club from September 2021 please complete and sign the form below, indicating which day/days are required. Once we have your confirmation, from September you will be able to look online using our online payment facility to see the amount due for the Autumn Term. The cost is £9 per child per session, payable termly in advance.

You can pay directly to the school office if you prefer, cash and cheques payable to Sparsholt Primary School. We also accept tax free childcare payments and childcare vouchers.

There is some flexibility for parents to opt in and out of the club; however, we do ask for a minimum of 24 hours' notice for session cancellations.

If interested, please can you return the slip below by Friday 16th July 2021.

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AFTER SCHOOL KID'S CLUB - AUTUMN TERM 2021

I confirm I would like my child/children:

to attend the After School Kid's Club in the Autumn Term.

Please tick days required:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY

Signed Dated