

Sparsholt C of E Primary School



13th March 2020

Dates for your diaries

Inset Days

Class / Groups Photographs

FoSS Mother's Day Sale

Mothering Sunday Service at Littleton Church

Bag2School Collection

FoSS Eggstravaganza

26th June, 22nd July

Friday 20th March from 1.15pm

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Sunday 22nd March 10am

Tuesday 24th March 9am

Friday 3rd April 3.30pm

Dear Parents,

Well, the sun has shone this week as all the children at Sparsholt C of E Primary School, embraced every learning opportunity. Despite the issues and uncertainty going on at the moment the children remain focussed and positive and some super activities have been going on across the school.

It has been fantastic to see the children's enthusiasm for our 'Crazy Sock Day' today in support of Sport Relief. The children had great fun taking part in a fabulous whole school fitness routine on the playground. We have raised over £100 - thank you for your support for our charity fundraising efforts.

Maple Class thoroughly enjoyed their creative history Ancient Egyptian Day. Taya, who had travelled forward in time, told the story of creation through dramatisation. Other highlights of the day included, handling replica artefacts and writing in hieroglyphs.

Yesterday our Year 6 football squad played Kings Worthy Primary School in an exciting match. The 0-0 score doesn't reflect the many chances created and the sportsmanship demonstrated throughout the game, showing our core values of courage, compassion and creativity.

I hope you have a safe and lovely weekend,

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty



Financial Year End

As the financial year end fast approaches, we would appreciate overdue payments as soon as possible, thank-you. Please note that the school charging policy states meal payments, music lessons and after school club fees must be paid by parents **half termly in ADVANCE!**

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	Lucas	Zac	Annie	Charlotte	Amelia
Compassion	Bear	Julia	Harry	Florrie	Millie
Creativity	Berkeley	Oliver	Rory	Blake	Riley

WI Jumble Sale 14th March - Postponed

Mother's Day Sale - Friday 20th March

Friday 20th March Rowan Class are holding a Mother's / Grandmother's Day sale. If your child/children would like to buy a gift for their mother/grandmother Rowan Class will have a wonderful selection of gifts for them to choose from. Just bring in £2-3 on the day. Another great way to celebrate the wonderful woman in the children's lives as well as raising money for the school.

Messy Esther

On Tuesday 10th March, Jews around the world celebrated the feast of Purim with dressing up, musical instruments and biscuits. But what is Purim all about? Come along to Littleton Church Room on Saturday 14th March (4-6pm) to find out why the Jews celebrate Purim and the story of Queen Esther.

Sparsholt Village Clean Up

Pupils and their parents are invited them to come along on Saturday 21st March from 10.00am - 12 00am to the Memorial Hall car park for the annual Sparsholt Village Clean-Up. Refreshments will be provided.

Have your say on the future of Hampshire Library services

Hampshire County Council is asking people who live, work or study in Hampshire to have their say on proposed changes to libraries.

The way people use library services is changing. Hampshire Library Service continues to evolve in response. As well as responding to changing needs, the library service is looking to make savings of £1.76 million. All areas of work across the County Council are being looked at, to find savings needed to bridge the current funding gap faced by local authorities across the country, as demands for council services grow.

The proposals set out in the consultation impact all Hampshire libraries. There are two options:

- Reduce opening hours of all Hampshire libraries by 25%; or
- Close up to 10 libraries and reduce opening hours of all remaining libraries by an average of 15%

Children and young people are welcome to take part in the consultation. Organisations, including schools, may also take part.

Visit <http://www.hants.gov.uk/library-consultation> to give your views.

Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Advice to parents

Following the latest government advice, we will be remaining open until further notice. However, the following new procedures will be in place with immediate effect:

- Please do not send your child/children into school if they have a persistent cough or develop a new cough and/or a temperature of 37.8oC or above.
- If any members of your household develop these symptoms, please keep your children at home.
- Children that develop a temperature during the school day will need to be collected immediately.
- Children should remain at home for 7 days.

In the event of a school closure teachers will provide some home learning activities.

The DfE has launched a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

- Phone: 0800 046 8687
- Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk
- Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Please help us by sharing simple and effective hand hygiene messages with your children.

Personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19, especially washing hands more; and the catch it, bin it, kill it strategy for those with coughs and sneezes.

If you think you have symptoms of coronavirus, call NHS 111 for advice. Visit NHS.UK to find out more information on Coronavirus.