



Dates for your diaries

18<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Inset Days

19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

15<sup>th</sup> February, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019

Bags2School

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November

### Dear Parents and Carers

#### Core Value Awards

I was proud to commend our Core Value Award recipients in Celebration Worship today. Three children will be nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: **Courage**, **Compassion** and **Creativity**

	<i>Willow</i>	<i>Beech</i>	<i>Maple</i>	<i>Rowan</i>	<i>Oak</i>
<b>Courage</b>	Gregory	Rose	Will J	Livvy	Jessica
<b>Compassion</b>	Hugh	Julia	Florrie	Lula	Layla
<b>Creativity</b>	Matilda	Scarlett	Jack	Eddie	Claudia

#### Calling all Young Eco-Warriors and Conservation Superheroes!

Do you love dolphins, whales, turtles, seals and seabirds? Does seeing photos of whales with bellies full of plastic, turtles choking on plastic bags, or albatrosses feeding plastic pellets to their chicks make you see red? Are you fed up with finding plastic rubbish destroying your local beach or river?

As our whole school half term challenge, we would like you to create a brilliant sculpture of an endangered creature or sea bird from plastic rubbish and bring to school on **Friday 4th November**. Prizes will be awarded for the best entries. Please see the school website for further details.

#### Museum Romanus!

Rowan class stepped back in time by creating an experiential interpretation of Roman history at their living museum. Invited parents were welcomed by emperors and empresses, gladiators, gods and goddesses and not forgetting the great Athena herself, Mrs Burbridge! Exhibits and artefacts (all made by the children) included 'genuine' Roman pottery, Pupio daggers, wax tablets and mosaic tiles. All of the exhibits were enthusiastically explained by the Roman experts of Rowan class. One parent commented that they felt like they had visited The British Museum!

#### Stone Age Fun, Games and Learning

Maple Class had a brilliant time dressing up as Stoneage people today. Parents came along to share experiences and activities of the pre-historic gatherer hunters as they travelled along the living timeline.

#### Happy Harvest Celebration!

We were absolutely overwhelmed by the fantastic turnout of parents and friends at our Harvest festival at St Stephen's Church on Tuesday. It was a wonderful opportunity for the school community to share the good things we've been given with the homeless men and women of Winchester. Children proudly brought their kind donations to the altar including toothbrushes, shaving cream, toilet paper, custard, oxtail soup and tomato ketchup! Rev'd Jax told us our generous gifts would be very much appreciated by all who find refuge at the Winchester Night shelter. We were blown away by the talents of every child in the school who sang so beautifully and spoke clearly and confidently during the service. A special mention to our youngest children in Willow class



who performed for the first time, there wasn't a dry eye amongst parents as they thanked God 'for the things we eat and the world so sweet'. They gave thanks for the stars, the moon, penguins, their eyes, their hands and their mums! It's been a busy and exciting seven weeks and everyone is ready to recharge their batteries over the half term break. The staff are looking forward to taking part in their professional training during the Inset day tomorrow.

Oak class would like to share their prayer with you as we thank you all for your continued encouragement and support and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 29th October.

God, who made the earth, root us deeply in your love

Jesus who guides us with his teachings, sow good news in our hearts

And help us to live it together, joyfully

Amen

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement

Lynn Laver (Headteacher)

### **Invoices**

We would appreciate full payment as soon as possible. We do operate a pay in advance policy for school lunches, clubs and music tuition; please take this into account when settling your account. For the half-term 29th October to 21st December 2018 (8 weeks), the amounts to pre-fund lunches are:

Number of days lunches are taken	1 day per week	2 days per week	3 days per week	4 days per week	5 days per week
1 child at school	£18.40	£36.80	£55.20	£73.60	£92.00
2 children at school	£36.80	£73.60	£110.40	£147.20	£184.00

We understand that, on occasions, things change and children may require additional or fewer meals than planned. If your child needs extra school dinners than originally envisaged, you can always top up your meal payments online and if your child needs fewer meals, credit will be carried over to the following week/weeks.

### **School Lunches after Autumn Half-Term**

A new menu starts on 29<sup>th</sup> October.

### **FoSS News**

- Harvest Festival Service Teas - FoSS will be serving tea, coffee and cake in the church from 8.45am before the Harvest Festival Service next Tuesday. Please bring some change to support your school! Please bring your own reusable coffee cups if you have one
- FOSS MOVIE NIGHT - Friday 9th November 6pm-8pm, Sparsholt Village hall  
£5 per child to include pizza and squash  
Helpers needed - contact Bonnie Stagg or Lisa Robinson.

### **Artiology Club**

Next half term we will be making winter bird feeders, doing Christmas craft activities and exploring our natural world along with other creative projects! If your child would like to join 'Artiology Club' on Monday afternoons please email Halli Ormerod on [hallimarie@googlemail.com](mailto:hallimarie@googlemail.com) (The first session will start on Monday 29th October)