

# Sparsholt C of E Primary School



20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## Dates for your diaries

Inset Days

15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019, 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 22<sup>nd</sup> July

School Photographs (Portraits)

1<sup>st</sup> Oct from 1.15pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for the support you have given in trialling our new morning routines. Already we are seeing a much calmer start to the day with children coming straight in and getting on with an early morning task as they arrive. This has resulted in all children being much more focused when the school day starts at 8.55am. In addition, there is much less congestion enabling people to move in and out of the car park safely.

This week we had a visit from the Hampshire School Travel Plan adviser who was very impressed by the changes we have already made. Having listened to her advice, we will be introducing other ideas to help with congestion at all times of the day.

We have had another exciting and productive week. The skipping workshop was extremely successful and enjoyed by all the children in the school with many of them showing their skipping prowess.

All of our clubs have been very well attended and the children seem to be enjoying things from football club to choir and chess.

In Worship this week we discussed with the children the importance of keeping safe at school and at home. We discussed their behaviour with each other and being aware of possible dangers around them. We also talked about strangers within the school premises and how to recognise if someone should not be on our school site and what to do if they spotted someone.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the current good spell of weather.

Mrs Hanratty

## Core Value Awards

We were very proud to commend our Core Value Award recipients in Celebration Worship today. Three children are nominated weekly for each of our Core Values: Courage, Compassion and Creativity

	Willow	Beech	Maple	Rowan	Oak
Courage	Hannah	Toby	Beatrix	Jack	Grace
Compassion	Olivia	Cecily R	Sam	Hannah	Joe
Creativity	Lori	Olivia	Ollie	Maddie	Claudia

## School Car Park Guidelines

We would like to remind you of our car parking guidelines:

- Please **do not move your cars** when the children walk to or from the bus. We would request that you remain stationary for a few minutes longer and allow the children to safely make their way across the car park
- Please do not park over the **marked pedestrian walk-ways** in the car-park
- Post Office staff, Sparsholt Parish Council and Sparsholt residents kindly request that you do not park in Woodman Lane, especially outside the Post Office. Parking directly outside the Post Office (where the white lines are painted) impedes our school coach which then blocks the road completely. Be aware that the service bus also needs to get through each hour.
- For safety reasons, please refrain from parking in the entrance to the car park
- If you double-park in the car-park, please drop off or pick up your child/children promptly so allowing others to get away as quickly as possible
- **Park and Stride!** - An alternative to the car park would be to park in Woodman Close and walk up to school through the pathway at the back of the playground - we recommend this option. Please be careful not to impede disabled bays in front of some of the houses in the Close
- Please note we will not be able to offer the field as an over-flow car park during wet weather.
- **Please make full use of the bus if your child has a pass**
- Finally, we ask you to be courteous at all times to other users of the car park

Thank-you

### **Toys from home**

Please do not allow your children to bring their special and well-loved toys into school; we don't want the children becoming upset if their toys become lost or get broken during the day. Your understanding and cooperation in this would be greatly appreciated.

### **Data Forms for checking**

Thank you to all those of you who have already returned your data forms. If you have not, please check your data forms, amend the form if necessary and return to the school as soon as possible so we can update our records. Please read the accompanying letter as we will also need consent to process the data of your chosen emergency contacts.

### **Music tuition from September 2019**

We have some space for paid-for music tuition. Clarinet (Yr 3 +),- 2 spaces, & Recorder (Year 2+) - 1 space. Brass - 1 space First-come-first-served. Please contact the school office if interested.

### **Aldi Kit for Schools**

Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit. Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up Sparsholt school's poster for a chance to win. Stickers will be available to be collected from Aldi between 6th September and 3rd November. Please ask your children to bring their stickers into school and ask a member of staff to help them fill the poster!

More information can be found at: <https://www.aldi.co.uk/kitforschools>

### **Basic Life Support & AED (Defibrillator) update training sessions**

**Where?** - Sparsholt Memorial Hall

**When?** - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 18-19.30 pm

Or

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 17-18.30 pm

**All welcome! Suitable for older teenagers**



**Community training Officer South Central Ambulance Service**

**No booking necessary.**

**For further info contact Tory Lander on (01962) 776 96.**

