



8th March 2024

FOSPS March Fundraiser - COIN WARS!

Starting on Monday, March 11th, FOSPS will be launching our March fundraiser - COIN WARS... Bring in all your copper coins to put into your class' sweetie jar. Coins mean points and points mean prizes! The sweetie jars will be available to fill for 2 school weeks and will be sealed on Friday, March 22nd.

The class with the highest number of points in their sweetie jar at the end of the 2 weeks will all win a sweet prize!

- 2 pence pieces = 2 points
- 1 pence pieces = 1 point

However, beware of the opportunity to sabotage your friends, siblings, rivals...

Silver coins in a jar mean points deducted, so can you sneak some into an opponent's jar when they are not looking/paying attention?"

- 5 pence piece = -5 points
- 10 pence piece = -10 points
- 20 pence piece = -20 points
- 50 pence piece = -50 points

How stealthy can you be?

So get finding those coppers and save those silvers - it's battle time!

Key Stage 1 Lead

We are very grateful to Mrs. Clark for acting as Key Stage 1 lead over this academic year, and she continues to work hard to support the children and families, so a big thank you! From the new academic year Miss Woolley will be taking on the roles in a full-time capacity to allow Mrs. Clark the time to focus on her great work involving Worship and RE. I am sure you will join me in congratulating Miss Woolley on undertaking this new role.

Staff Car Park

If you use the ActiveMe360 provision before school, please do not use the staff car park in the mornings as there is a steady flow of staff arriving. If it is later in the afternoon when more staff have left, that is not an issue. Mr. Weston has recently asked families to use the village car park, to only be refused. I do not want to have to have the gate manned as we have always had a supportive understanding. Thank you.

Staff Vacancies

We currently have two Key Stage 2 Class Teacher positions, two Teaching Assistant positions and Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant positions available which we have further details on our website www.swanmoreprimary.org.uk- vacancies can be found under, Our School – Staff – Staff Vacancies.

St Barnabas Easter Kids Craft Morning

**** Treasure Hunt, Crafts, Games & Hot Cross Buns **** Friday, 29th March 10-11.30am at the Paterson Centre. This is a free event for children 3-10yrs, parents to stay with children for the session.

An all-age family Service will be held on Easter Sunday at 10am with Easter Egg Hunt after, do join us!

**Easter Uncracked Holiday Club at Shirrell Heath Methodist Church**

Tuesday, 9th to Thursday 11th April 2024 – 9.30 and 12.30. Years R to 6 all welcome. There is no charge but donations are appreciated.

Registration is just open on <https://shyouthchildren.wixsite.com/website>

There will be no Holiday Club in the summer holiday.



1 2 3 4 FOSPS DECLARE A **COIN WAR!**

11TH - 22ND MARCH

HOW IT WORKS:

EACH CLASS HAS A JAR

THE CHILDREN BRING COPPER COINS IN TO FILL THEIR JAR TO COMPETE TO BE THE CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST VALUE OF COINS IN THEIR JAR BY THE 22ND MARCH.

THERE IS OPPORTUNITY TO SABOTAGE OTHER CLASSES JARS WITH SILVER COINS.
JAR TOTALS WILL BE COUNTED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE LAST WEEK OF TERM WITH A PRIZE FOR CHILDREN IN THE WINNING CLASS!

ALL COINS WILL BE KEPT AND ADDED TO FOSPS FUNDS

**A PRIZE FOR EACH
CHILD IN THE
WINNING CLASS**





MOTHERING SUNDAY POSIES

Available during

10.00

All-Age Communion

Sunday 10th March 2024

*A gift which is not JUST for mums,
but for anyone who gives you
love and care!*

YOUNG CARERS ACTION DAY

13 March 2024

*Fair Futures
for Young
Carers*



WHAT IS A YOUNG CARER?

A young carer is a person under 18 who provides care for someone, usually a family member with an illness, disability, mental health issue or addiction.

IMPACT

National evidence and local audits show that having a caring role can impact on a child's physical and mental wellbeing, social relationships, education and employment prospects.

EARLY IDENTIFICATION

Early identification is crucial to provide support before a child becomes vulnerable. However, identifying young carers can be challenging for all professionals.

HSCP TRAINING

An Introduction to Identifying and Supporting Young Carers supports professionals and service providers on identifying young carers, understanding the impacts of a caring role, and providing multi-agency responses. Hampshire Young Carers Alliance will also share information about young carers' rights and the support they offer across the county.

Being a young carer shouldn't be a barrier to a young person's dreams. It should be a stepping stone to a brighter future.

Can you help?

HCC YOUNG CARERS STRATEGY



Hampshire County Council's Young Carers Strategy is being updated. If you are interested in enhancing the lives of young carers and participating in this project, email HSCP@hants.gov.uk by 31 March 2024.



Diary Dates for the Spring Term

Monday, 11th March	FOSPS Coin Wars
Wednesday, 13th March	Parent's Evening YR, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
Monday, 25th March	Parent's Evening YR, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6
Monday, 25th March	Listen to Me Brass Concert Y3
Tuesday, 26th March	Y4 Production 2pm
Wednesday, 27th March	Y4 Production 6.30pm
Wednesday, 27th March	Y2 Planetarium Workshop
Wednesday, 27th March	YR Planetarium Mini Show
Thursday, 28th March	Charity Day
Tuesday, 9th – Thursday 11th April	Easter Uncracked Holiday Club at Shirrell Heath Methodist Church
Monday, 1st – Friday, 12th April	Easter Holidays
Monday, 15th April	First Day Back From Break

Dates for your Calendar 23/24

Friday, 14th June Sports Day
Wednesday, 19th June Back up Sports Day
Monday, 22nd July Y6 Leavers Service at St. Barnabas
Tuesday, 23rd July Y6 Bell Ringing

Inset Days for the Academic Year 23/24

Friday, 3rd May

School Closures for the Academic Year 23/24

Friday, 29th March Good Friday
Monday, 6th May Early May bank holiday