

School Lane Pre-School

More than double the amount of children can attend our nursery at School Lane Pre-School following building work that was carried out last summer.

The purpose built extension provides more play and learning space, additional toilet facilities, storage and covered veranda.

Opening hours are 9am to 3pm, Monday - Friday and three hour morning and afternoon sessions are available for 2 and 3 year olds. We can also support children with special educational needs.

We provide a happy, caring and secure learning environment ensuring all our children achieve the best possible start in life.

Our 2015 Ofsted inspection graded us as good and the inspection report is available on the pre-school website: www.schoollanepre-school.co.uk

For admissions contact Kirsty Williams at kirsty@schoollanepre-school.co.uk or tel: 01603 416181

Are you interested in Sprowston's history?

Sprowston Heritage Group meets weekly to research and archive the events, businesses and families linked to Sprowston. It matters not if you were born in Sprowston, if our local history fascinates you why not come along and join us, the only requisite is an enquiring mind.

You are not duty bound to turn up every week, many members do research at home frequently discovering little-known facts, it is these snippets that are and make local history.

Our aim is to provide a free resource for those doing research be family or otherwise, so for those seeking information do give us a look.

C/o Sprowston Town Council, Diamond Centre, School Lane, Sprowston, Norwich NR7 8TR.
Email: sprowstonheritage@hotmail.co.uk
Telephone: Chairman 01603 404958
or Vice Chairman 01603 408594.

Work to start on new sports hall

2017 will see the start of further redevelopment at Sprowston Diamond Centre to bring community and sports facilities to the area.

When complete the centre will have a large multi-activity sports hall and multi-purpose hall, meeting rooms and reception area and is set to become a community hub for a variety of activities. The Council office will remain in the building and the car park will be resurfaced and lined.

The facilities have been carefully designed around the communities' needs and requirements identified in the consultation which was carried out in 2012. This consultation asked what activities local people would like to see run in the centre.

This development has been funded by a £1.5m loan, the majority of which will be paid by the Community Infrastructure Levy, money developers contribute when development takes place.

A revised planning application for these facilities has been submitted and is expected to be approved in early spring.

Work is expected to start late spring and carried out in stages initially beginning with internal alterations. It is likely to take approximately 12 months to build, depending on the weather and we therefore hope to open the additional facilities in early 2018.

Every effort will be made to minimise the impact of building works on existing customers including provision of a temporary overflow car park on the Diamond Field opposite the centre.



Join us for

Movie Afternoon

Monday 6 March 2017

A Streetcat Named Bob

(Drama (12A) 103 minutes)

Based on the international best selling book. The true feel good story of how James Bowen, a busker and recovering drug addict had his life transformed when he met a stray ginger cat.

Monday 3 April 2017

A United Kingdom

(Drama (12A) 111 minutes)

Based on extraordinary true events. In 1947, Seretse Khama, the King of Botswana, met Ruth Williams, a London office worker. They were a perfect match, yet their proposed marriage was challenged not only by their families but by the British and South African governments. The latter had recently introduced the policy of apartheid and found the notion of a biracial couple ruling a neighbouring country intolerable. South Africa threatened the British: either thwart the couple or be denied access to South African uranium and gold and face the risk of South Africa invading Botswana.

Movie afternoon at Sproston Diamond Centre in conjunction with Creative Arts East and Broadland District Council. All performances are held at Sproston Diamond Centre. Doors open at 1pm when complimentary refreshments will be served. Film performances start at 1:30pm.

Tickets are £5 each (no concessions) and available in person from Sproston Diamond Centre. Children under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult. Patrons are asked to turn mobile phones off during performances and respect the enjoyment of fellow cinema users.



Wilks Farm Drive to get new play equipment

The Council is proposing to upgrade the play park on the open space at Wilks Farm Drive and residents are invited to put forward ideas for play equipment aimed at the 3 - 12 age group.

Please email your suggestions to townclerk@sproston-tc.gov.uk or write to Town Clerk, Sproston Town Council, Sproston Diamond Centre, School Lane, Sproston, NR7 8TR by 31 May 2017.

Sproston will hold its **Annual Town Meeting** on **Wednesday 26 April 2017**, starting at 7pm with all residents welcome to attend. This is not a meeting of the Town Council but a meeting for residents of Sproston. An agenda is published but unlike the Town Council meeting any matter can be brought up without prior notice. However, we would always recommend advising the Town Clerk in advance so the item can be placed on the agenda and any research on the issue can be undertaken so a more informed discussion is able to take place.

Schedule of Town Council Meetings

All meetings are held at Sproston Diamond Centre, School Lane, Sproston, commencing 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.

7 June 2017

28 June 2017

19 July 2017

9 August 2017

30 August 2017

13 September 2017

18 October 2017

8 November 2017

29 November 2017

13 December 2017

(Precept/Planning)

20 December 2017

10 January 2018

31 January 2018

21 February 2018

14 March 2018

04 April 2018

25 April 2018

(Council Meeting to be held on the rising of the Annual Town Council Meeting)

16 May 2018

(Annual Town Council Meeting)

All meetings of the Council are open to the public, who are welcome to attend, and there is an opportunity for residents to ask questions on any matters concerning the Town of Sproston.

Copies of the agenda and minutes for each meeting are available free of charge either on request from the Council Office when they are published or at the meeting.

Other background papers and reports can also be viewed or copies supplied on payment of a small charge.

Office opening times and tel. enquiries Mon - Fri 9.30am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.30pm (after hours answerphone)

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