# Yarmouth C.E. Primary

The purpose of the Federation of the Church Schools of Shalfleet and Yarmouth is to educate children in an atmosphere of Christian love where all achieve the very best they can, now and throughout their lives.

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Headteacher: Mrs. E Grainger

Deputy headteacher: Mrs. G Westhorpe

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## End of the financial year

We are almost there but are looking to ensure all accounts have been fully paid. In order to keep our school finances in good standing it is very important that all outstanding payments are made in full as soon as possible. Please help us keep our financial books balanced!

Please log into <a href="http://scopay.co.uk">http://scopay.co.uk</a> to pay your account.

Having trouble logging into Scopay? No worries! Talk to our friendly office staff about setting up a time for them to help you.

# Important update – After School Club

Unfortunately after school club on Friday's will be cancelled until further notice. We do apologize for any inconvenience.



# **Upcoming Events**

#### March 24

Scholastic Book Fair, more information to follow

#### March 27

Green class sharing assembly

#### April 2

Easter Service at St. James Church in Yarmouth, 9:30 AM. More details to follow

#### April 3

Last day of term

For a full listing of upcoming events please see page 6

#### **Letters Home**

 Rotary Club of West Wight Easter Card Competition egg shaped template – return by April 3

Ephesians 6:18

Always keep on praying for all God's people.

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# Government confirms investment in new West Wight school

A multi-million-pound investment in a new school in the West Wight has been confirmed by the government.

It has allocated £4.5 million from its Priority School Building Programme (PSBP) for a modern, one-form entry primary school on the site of All Saints' Primary School, Freshwater, which is due to close.

The news has been welcomed by the Isle of Wight Council which will now develop detailed plans for the new school ahead of a planning submission in the summer. Councillor Paul Brading, Cabinet member for children's services and education, said: "This is fantastic news for education in the West Wight. This significant investment from the Department for Education will benefit not only the local area but the wider community as a whole

"I believe our children deserve the very best we can offer and this investment in the Freshwater site allows us to provide just that — a modern, high-quality school fit for the 21st century."

The latest announcement comes only a week after the council revealed an estimated £12 million is set to be spent on the Island over the coming years on new schools and classrooms.

Successful PSBP bids have already seen the refurbishment of Barton Primary School, Newport, and a new build at Queensgate Primary School, East Cowes, with major works also planned for Binstead, Brading, Dover Park (Ryde), Greenmount (Ryde), Wootton and Wroxall primary schools.

# **Contact Information**

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# **GOVERNORS UPDATE**

#### Dear Parents/Carers

As you know we have recently been going to Implementation Meetings. We had our second meeting last week and are expecting the minutes of this meeting to be published soon.

Part of our on-going conversation with the Local Authority has been the approval of capital funding for the school in Freshwater. As you will have seen the Local Authority sent out a press release yesterday confirming that the Department for Education have allocated £4.5 million pounds from its Priority School Building Programme to fund a new school in Freshwater. The Governing Body is pleased that this key aspect has now been resolved and we can confidently move forward with planning and managing transition arrangements.

Best wishes

Carla Bradshaw

Chair of Governors

### **More Important News**

#### Celebration Worship – REMINDER

We are finding that the children are very tired by the end of the week and that perhaps our Celebration Worship would be better suited on a Friday morning. This is to ensure that the children are able to fully engage in the tone of worship and that it is valued as a special time in our school week. Our Celebration Worship will be held on a Friday morning at 8:50 AM. All are welcome to attend.

# On the move! Active Travel Week—9th to 13th March 2020 Pupils, parents and staff are invited to participate in the island wide challenge. How will you travel to school? Join in to win some fantastic prizes.



## In the Community

#### Junior Cross Country Championships

March 14 Seaclose Park, see page 7 for more details

#### Community Tree Planting Day

March 28 at 10 AM on Stroud Recreation Field, Freshwater. More details to follow

#### **Interschool Dressage**

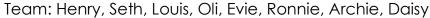
April 29 Little Kennerley. Please let Mrs. Blackley know by April 3 if you plan on attending. See page 7 for more details

#### **The Sporting News**

#### Under 9's Football report by Staff Reporter

On Wednesday afternoon our U9 team travelled to Brighstone for the semi final of the rural league. It was a cracking game. Yarmouth took the lead when Oli scored his first ever Yarmouth goal, only to be pegged back as Brighstone scored 2 in reply. Right on half time Archie equalised with a great finish. At the start of the second half Brighstone re took the lead and it looked liked we would be out. But the team had other ideas and rolled their sleeves up, literally in some cases, and fought back. Ronnie equalised again after a great run and finish, then after a goal mouth scramble Archie got his second to put us in the lead. Brighstone piled on the pressure looking for an equaliser but we held strong and now face the tough task of Shalfleet in the final.

Well done team, who win the sports award for their efforts this week.





# Dates for your calendar

Date	Event
March 24	Scholastic Book Fair
March 25	Parent Forum at 2 PM
March 27	Green class sharing
April 2	Easter service @ St. James church 9:30 AM
April 3	Last day of term
April 20	Back to school!
May 15	Blue class sharing
June 19	Purple class sharing
July 3	Yellow class sharing
July 23	Leavers ceremony
July 24	Final celebration worship









#### INTER SCHOOL Dressage Competition Wednesday 29th April 2020

Little Kennerley Farm, Godshill



The competition will be run in two sections: a Primary School section and High School section. This will be an individual and a team event. For schools that have more than three riders they can enter as a team. Riders can choose which test they would like to do.

The entry fee will be £6 per test and cheques need to be made payable to Medina College.

Section	Tests
Primary Schools	BD Intro B or BD Test 2
High School	BD Test 13 or BD Test 24

Entries need to be sent to, Karen Begley at Medina College by Tuesday 21st April 2020. Times will be emailed to schools and put on IW Horse community Facebook page and will be available by Friday 24th April 2020.

If you need a copy of the tests please email details below.

A representative from the school will need to accompany the team and be responsible for them during the competition. Please make sure that your school has insurance that will cover all extracurricular activities (including horse riding).

Please don't hesitate to contact Karen Begley if you require any information

Karen Begley at Medina College: 526523 or karen.begley@medina.iow.sch.uk