



# 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.

<http://fosay.co.uk>

Headteacher: Mrs. E Grainger

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. G Westhorpe

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## Attendance Matters

Our attendance is recorded in line with the Education Welfare guidelines.

**Whole School Attendance to Date 99.04%**

**Congratulations to Green Class at Freshwater who achieved attendance last week of 99.04%**

**Congratulations to Yellow Class at Yarmouth who achieved attendance last week of 97.70%**

## End of Term

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of December we will be finishing early for Christmas. Pick up times will be as follows:

Yarmouth	Freshwater
Reception - 1.30pm	
Year 1 & 2 - 1.40pm	Year 1 & 2 – 1.30pm
Year 3 & 4 – 1.50pm	Year 3 & 4 – 1.45pm
Year 5 & 6 – 2pm	Year 5 & 6 – 2pm

There will be no after school care provisions on this day.

## Upcoming Events

**Dec 18** – Last day of term

**Jan 04** – First day of term

## Letters Home

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## John 3:16

For god so loved the world that he gave his one & only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

## Important News

### COVID-19 Holiday Update

The Department of Education have asked us to make you aware of the following information and relevant arrangements regarding positive cases in the holidays:

- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first 6 days following the end of term, schools do not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term.

### Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very safe, healthy and Happy Christmas and New Year. Time is precious and we do hope you have time with your families and loved ones. We would like to thank all staff, parents and children for your continued support.

We will see you all on Monday 4th January.



### In the Community

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## CTWW Advent Activity Trail

The Holiday Bible Club Team have organised an Advent Activity Trail across West Wight. Local children have coloured in pictures of the nativity with appropriate Bible passages, these will be displayed in local businesses in Yarmouth, Totland and Freshwater.

They have had a tremendous response and willingness from families and local shops and other centres in our community. This is a great way of making sure the important message of Christmas is not forgotten. It is also a fun, intergenerational way of looking at the nativity story.

There are 24 pictures to find and then on Christmas Day there will be a special poster and message on the member church noticeboards. Prizes will be awarded after Christmas to those who find all 25 pictures (please see page 4 for more information).



**The West Wight  
ADVENT TRAIL**

Can you find all **25** hidden Nativity Pictures?

Hunt around shop windows in Freshwater, Yarmouth & Totland!  
Upload photos of your findings to The Facebook Page  
[@WestWightAdventTrail2020](#)  
Or Email  
[westwightyouth@gmail.com](mailto:westwightyouth@gmail.com)



CHURCHES  
TOGETHER IN  
WEST WIGHT



## Christmas at Osborne 2020

There is plenty to see at Osborne this festive season. There is a Christmas Wreath Hunt and a Christmas Quest to add interest to your family walk around the beautiful Estate.



Tasty food and drink is available to take away down at our beautiful Beach Café.

The House is dressed in its Christmas finery and there are some wonderful exhibits by local schools who took part in our Creative Christmas Challenge this year.

Tickets must be pre-booked online. Entry is free to English Heritage members.

More details can be found at:

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/osborne/prices-and-opening-times/>

**Carisbrooke Castle** is also open at weekends over the school holidays:

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/carisbrooke-castle/prices-and-opening-times/>

**We look forward to welcoming you and wish you all a very Happy Christmas.**

### Reduce Reuse Recycle Wight this Christmas

#### Waste, Recycling and Garden subscription collections

Recycling, waste and garden collections will change over Christmas and New Year. See the table for changes to collections.

Excess polystyrene will be collected in clear or white sacks on general waste day between 19 December and 8 January.

**Remember, excess recycling will always be taken on your recycling week!**

#### Real tree Christmas collections

If you have a garden waste subscription, we will collect your real Christmas tree between 4 and 14 January with your garden waste on your garden waste collection day. Trees must be free of all decorations and pots.

#### Recycling centres

Lynnbottom Recycling Centre will be closed on Christmas Day ONLY. All other opening times are as normal.

#### Bulky waste collections

Bulky waste collections not available on Christmas Day or New Year's Day.

#### Festive and New Year Collection Schedule 2020-21 Waste/Recycling and Garden collections

Normally collected:	Will be collected on:
Monday 21 December	Saturday 19 December
Tuesday 22 December	Monday 21 December
Wednesday 23 December	Tuesday 22 December
Thursday 24 December	Wednesday 23 December
Friday 25 December (Christmas Day)	Thursday 24 December
Monday 28 December	Unchanged
Tuesday 29 December	Unchanged
Wednesday 30 December	Unchanged
Thursday 31 December	Unchanged
Friday 1 January 2021 (New Year's Day)	Saturday 2 January 2021