



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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Yarmouth CE Primary

Newsletter

8th March 2018

Headteacher Muses

We hope you all stayed safe and warm during the 'Great 2018 Snow In' last Friday. Many of the children are coming back with stories to tell about their experience of the snow and teachers have been looking for opportunities to link this to learning. In Reception class, the children have been learning all about weather in the World. Children have the opportunities to create collages of their favourite countries - they were amazing!

We are planning to have some information meetings for the upcoming SATS for year 2 and 6. Please do look out for the dates in the newsletters. I know the teachers very much appreciate your support and the opportunity to talk about what the children will need to do. Teachers have also appreciated parents coming to the target setting meetings.

Over the Easter holidays, we are going to have more of the carpets replaced in the school and carry on with our 'Icing on the Cake' refurbishment project at Yarmouth ensuring the children have a lovely environment to learn in.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs. Grainger

Year End

ALL OUTSTANDING MONEY DUE TO SCHOOL MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY MONDAY 26TH MARCH 2018

Our financial year end is fast approaching. Can we please remind you all to clear any outstanding amounts owing to school (with the exception of PGL residential). Please log on to your Tucasi account (www.scopay.com) to view your current outstanding balance. Many thanks

Inter School Dressage Competition

The Inter School Dressage Competition will take place on Tuesday 17th April (Dressage) and Friday 4th May (Show Jumping). Please find below a brief outline of the competition. If your child would like to enter, please contact the office who will forward the paperwork to you.

Inter School Dressage Competition: Tuesday 17th April (deadline for entries Tuesday 27th March)

Inter School Show Jumping: Friday 4th May (deadline for entries Monday 30th April)



PSHE & SMSC

We would like to invite you all to an informative session regarding PSHE/SMSC and the role of the ELSA within school. The sessions are as follows:

Monday 19th March at Shalfleet 3.30pm.
Thursday 22nd March at Yarmouth 3pm.

We do hope you are able to attend and look forward to seeing you.



Year 6 SATs

IOW Music Centre

Is your child interested in playing a musical instrument?

Then come along to the Islands Music Centre Open Day to try out different instruments, have a listen to the Island's talented young musicians or join in with one of our community groups. Free entry.

Saturday 24 March, 9.30 - 12.30 at Medina College, Fairlee Road, Newport, PO30 2DX

Year 6 SATs meeting for parents (pupils welcome) on Wednesday 14th March, 3-3.30pm in Green Class.

Safeguarding

Please find a link to the Isle of Wight Safeguarding Children's Board Website. It is a really useful site, with lots of information, support, links to different services, online training and advice. Please do take the time to have a look!

<http://www.iowscb.org.uk/>



Why Does Attendance Matter?

As a parent/carer you want the best for your children. Having a good education is an important factor in opening up more opportunities in adult life. Did you know that:

- a child who is absent a day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades of GCSE and around one third achieve no GCSEs at all
- poor examination results limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to colleges and employers that these students are unreliable
- poor school attendance is also closely associated with crime a quarter of school age offenders have truanted repeatedly
- at least 1 million children take at least one half day off a year without permission
- 7.5 million School days are missed each year through unauthorised absence.

GCSEs may seem a long way off for you and your child but all absence at any stage leads to gaps in your child's learning. This in turn can:

- mean that they fall behind in work
- affect their motivation
- affect their enjoyment of learning
- lead to poor behavior
- affect their desire to attend school regularly
- affect their confidence in school
- mean they miss out on the social life of school and extra-curricular opportunities and experiences
- affect their ability to have or keep friendships.

Your child is important to us, so let's work together to make sure we achieve maximum attendance. Your support as always is much appreciated.

Attendance Matters

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

Whole School Attendance to Date: 95.32%

Congratulations to Green Class who achieved top attendance last week 93.59 %

Sporting News

| Team Name | Sports Tokens Awarded |
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| Chiefs | 32 |
| Crusaders | 31 |
| Warriors | 48 |
| Raiders | 38 |



House Cup Awards

Upcoming Sporting Fixtures

| Date | Year Group | Event |
|---|------------|-----------------------|
| 14 th & 21 st March | Year 5/6 | Wheelchair basketball |
| 16 th March | Year 3/4 | Futsal |

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| TBA | Girls Year 5/6 | Football match home v Wroxall |
| TBA | Girls Year 5/6 | Football away v Gurnard |
| TBA | Boys Year 5/6 | Football away v Gurnard |

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| March 22 nd | Parent Forum 1.30pm |
| May 3 rd | 130pm |
| June 14 th | 1.30pm |
| March 22 nd | Communicake 9am |
| June 14 th | 9am |

Dates For Your Diary

| Date | Event |
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| March | |
| 13 th | Scholastic Book Fair (World Book Day vouchers may be used) |
| 14 th | Year 6 Parent/Child SATs meeting 3.30pm |
| 29 th | Last day of term |
| April | |
| 16 th | Back to school |
| May | |
| 7 th | May Day |
| 25 th | Last day of half term |
| June | |
| 4 th | Back to school |
| July | |
| 5 th | Year 6 Portsmouth Cathedral Service |
| 20 th | Last day of term |

Collective Worship Dates 2.20pm

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| March | |
| 9 th | - Gold book/gold tickets |
| 16 th | - Green Class sharing |
| 24 th | - Achievements |
| 29 th | - Easter service - Church Thursday morning |
| April | |
| 20 th | - Gold book/gold tickets |
| 27 th | - Gold book/gold tickets |
| May | |
| 4 th | - Gold tickets/gold tickets |
| 11 th | - Blue Class sharing |
| 18 th | - Gold tickets/gold tickets |
| 25 th | - Achievements |
| June | |
| 8 th | - Gold book/gold tickets |
| 15 th | - Yellow Class sharing |
| 22 nd | - Gold book/gold tickets |
| 29 th | - Purple Class sharing |
| July | |
| 6 th | - Gold book/gold tickets |
| 13 th | - Achievements |
| 20 th | - Leavers service at school |

Open The Book Dates
19th March, Yarmouth

A Couple Of Things!

Tuck

Should your child wish to have tuck please remember to put their money in a named, sealed envelope. Unfortunately we cannot give tuck if money has been lost or forgotten. Tuck prices are as follows:

1 x carton of juice, 50p; 2 x slices of toast, 50p; 1 x crumpet, 50p; 1 x teacake, 50p

Office

Office staff will open the gates at 2.30pm-3.10pm each day, this means that the office will be unmanned for the time. Please make sure that any home arrangements are **phoned (not emailed)** through to the office before 2.30pm

