#### Weekly Newsletter – 13th January 2023

# Shalfleet 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

#### RESPECT • DETERMINATION • RELATIONSHIPS

Attendance Matters

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

Whole School Attendance to Date 92.41%

Congratulations to Comet Class who achieved 98% attendance last week

#### **Gold Awards**

Rainbow – Edward, Hana, Jack

Sunshine - Alfie P, Alfie W, Oliver

Sky – Doris, Gwyn, Harrison, Millie

Star – Joey H, James

Comet - Kurtis, Emilia

Eclipse – Scarlett, Georgina, Saxon

Horizon – River, Isaac

Well done to all pupils who received Gold Awards / Tickets



#### **Letters Home**

- Year 2 Osbourne House Trip Letter
- Year 3 Amazon
   World Trip Letter
- Year 5 Anglo Saxon Presentation Letter

"That this is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever."

PSALM 48:14

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#### **Upcoming Sports Fixtures**

16th January – U 11's away at Brighstone

KO @ 3.15pm

18th January – U 9's at home against Brighstone

KO @ 3.15pm

25th January – U 11's at home against Brighstone

#### Waterproof coat

Please can you make sure your child has a waterproof coat in school every day, and as the weather is getting chiller please send in hat and gloves when needed.

# Is my child to ill for School?

Is it tricky deciding whether or not to keep you child off school, please follow the link below for guidance.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

#### Parent Forum

As you may be aware the school have set up a Parents Forum group to help with communication within year groups. This will hopefully provide parents with a contact for any queries, concerns or ideas for improvements that you may have. If you would like to join our parent forum, please express your interest by emailing the school office.

#### Attendance

We have a legal obligation to monitor attendance and inform parents if their child's attendance is falling below our federation's target. With the latest government legislation, the emphasis and expectation of attendance has risen.

We may contact you by letter or to arrange a meeting, this is always done with a wish to support you and your family as best we can. Attendance is so important for all children and we want to help you to ensure that your child is at school wherever possible.

#### Why good attendance matters

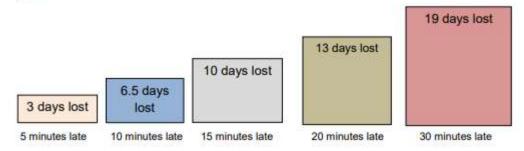
Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. The aim should be to attend 100% of the time.

Students who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and do less well in exams. Good attendance also shows potential employers that a young person is reliable.

Research suggests that students who attend school regularly could also be at less risk of getting involved in antisocial behaviour or crime. Below is a table showing how children's percentage attendance equates to the amount of school time missed.

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent Days	Equivalent Sessions	Equivalent Weeks	Equivalent Lessons Missed
95%	9 Days	18 Sessions	2 Weeks	54 Lessons
90%	19 Days	38 Sessions	4 Weeks	114 Lessons
85%	29 Days	58 Sessions	6 Weeks	174 Lessons
80%	38 Days	72 Sessions	8 Weeks	228 Lessons
75%	48 Days	96 Sessions	10 Weeks	288 Lessons
70%	57 Days	114 Sessions	11.5 Weeks	342 Lessons
65%	67 Days	134 Sessions	13.5 Weeks	402 Lessons

It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. Below is a graph showing how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time over one academic year.



17 days absent from school a year could mean a drop in a GCSE grade in all subjects!

#### Chartwells Price Increase – Starting September 2022

Like all UK businesses, Chartwells are currently experiencing significant inflationary pressures. As has been widely reported in the media, these pressures have particularly impacted the price of food.

They have been working hard over recent months to absorb these costs through menu changes and negotiating with their suppliers.

However, with inflation continuing to rise, they are now required to increase the price of the meal served at your child's school to £2.40

All menus will continue to provide children with a choice of nutritious and delicious meals, while complying with the Government's nutritional guidelines, and catering for those with allergies.

#### <u>Damira Dentist Practice – Dental Help For Children</u>

As you may be aware from news reports, there is a sever lack of NHS Dentists up and down the country no where more so than here on the island.

At Damira East Cowes we are seeing a rise in child emergency patients, and because of this we have decided to do something about it.

All children should have access to better oral health and the knowledge to go forward knowing they are doing their best for their own oral health.

We will be opening our NHS books to all children on the island, this is anyone under the age of 18 or 18 years of age and in full time education

To book an appointment with us please go to https://damiradental.co.uk/practice/east-cowes-isle-of-wight and click on the 'book an appointment' tab.

We look forward to seeing you in practice soon.

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Please can you make sure your child's dinner account is up to date

Thank you

\* Leave of Absence Requests \*

Dear Parents / Carers,

Whilst you are strongly urged to avoid booking a family holiday during term time, we appreciate that this isn't always possible.

Should you need to book any leave from school during term time, please contact the school office (shalfleet@fosay.co.uk) for a leave of absence request form (attached).

Once completed, please return your request to the school office where Mrs Grainger will consider your request on an individual basis using criteria as detailed in our Attendance Policy.

Requests for leave of absence in term time will be returned to you by the Head Teacher and if your request is not authorised you shall be informed of the reasons why.

Following government guidelines, we can only grant leave for exceptional circumstances. Any unauthorised leave of absence will be referred to the educational welfare office & could result in legal action and a Penalty Notice being issued. Please note, that this is not a school decision & we are following the government guidance regarding this. The school does not benefit financially from any fines paid.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

#### **Important Information**

#### The School Day

Due to new Government Legislation regarding the number of hours children should be in school per week, we are adjusting our drop off and pick up times from September.

Children are entitled to 32.5 hours per week in school equating to 6.5 hours per day.

At the Federation, our learning day will begin at 8.30am and finish at 3.00pm.

At Shalfleet, the school drop off scheme will open at 8.10am and close at 8.25am. We are very grateful to our excellent volunteers and staff in supporting with this arrangement. Anyone who would like to volunteer, please do let the school office know - we can only continue to offer this service with the continued support of our school community.

Pick Up

3.00pm - Reception Class Singles

3.05pm - Year 1 and 2 Singles

3.15pm - Siblings

3.25pm - Key Stage 2 Singles

#### **Dates for your Diary**

13th January - Year 2 Sharing Worship

27th January – Year 1 Sharing Worship

2<sup>nd</sup> February – Parent Forum

30th March - Parent Forum

18th May – Parent Forum

15<sup>th</sup> June – Parent Forum



## In the Community

Community Connector
 @ Shalfleet School
 1st February 9 – 12

**Birthdays** 

 $7^{th} - 13^{th}$  of January

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## **Play Junior Rugby**



### **Boys and Girls**

#### New players welcome from September

#### Teams and age groups

Under 6s (Year 1) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 7s (Year 2) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 8s (Year 3) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11.00

Under 9s (Year 4) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10.00-11.00

Under 10s (Year 5) -Venue SSRFC (Sandown) Fridays 16:15-17:30

Under 11s (Year 6)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10.00-11.30

Under 12s (Year 7)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10.00-11.30

\*Please note there may be slight changes to times when the season starts

Returning every Sunday from 4th September 2022.

Sessions are all delivered by experienced coaches with first aid qualifications and DBS Checks.

Register your interest for September 2022 at www.vectisrugby.co.uk or email: vectisrfccoaching@gmail.com





Working in partnership with the Isle of Wight Music Education Hub



# Instrumental & Vocal Music Lessons in Schools

Wight Music Tuition is pleased to be able to include the following lessons on offer to children in schools on the Island:

Guitar, Bass Guitar, Mandolin, Ukulele, Recorder, Flute, Oboe,
Clarinet, Saxophones, Bassoon, Cornet, Trumpet, Flugel Horn, Tenor
Horn, French Horn, Baritone, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Drums
Kit, Timpani, Orchestral Percussion, Tuned Percussion, Violin, Viola,
'Cello, Double Bass, Piano, Keyboard, Voice (singing), Theory of
Music, Composition & Orchestration, (Samba Drums\*, Cajun Drums\*,
Djembe [African] Drums\*)

\* as part of an 'initial access' class





Apply online at: www.iwmt.org.uk

**Enquiries:** 

Email: office@iwmt.org.uk

Tel: 07535 57 87 82





# ASPIRE'S WELCOMING WARM SPACE

Apire Ryde, Dover Street, Ryde, PO33 2BN

We are opening our doors to offer a free, warm spaces for people to drop in to during the winter months.

Tuesday to Friday Mornings 10 until 2

There will be Tea and Coffee and light meals available as well as opportunities to socialise or simply read and relax









Charity Number: 1163336







**FREE** Weekly Community Café

# Help Advice Information Chat Drinks Games Tech Support



Tuesdays 10:30am - 12:30pm

More info: westwight.org.uk/community/our-place 01983 240 722 help@westwight.org.uk



#### Everyone welcome!













West Wight
Sports & Community Centre
WIGHT



# We'd love to meet you!

Ever wondered what is happening in your local community? Are you, or someone you know, feeling isolated? Are you worried about the cost of living crisis we keep hearing so much about?

Our Place hold a number of volunteer-led sessions in West Wight each week and we'd love to connect with more members of our community.

Inside, find out how you can get involved, where to get help if times are tricky, plus how you can help us shape what we can do to make our community even better in the future.

**f** OurPlaceWestWight



Colwell Baptist Church Colwell Road, Freshwater, PO40 9ND Tuesdays 3pm - 5pm Fridays 10am - 12noon



OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS CAN BE FOUND AT:

isleofwight.foodbank.org.uk facebook.com/isleofwightfoodbank or download the app at: bankthefood.org

DONATIONS CAN BE MADE LOCALLY AT TESCO, CHURCHES, SAINSBURY'S LOCAL, TOTLAND PARISH OFFICE & WEST WIGHT SPORTS AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

#### YOUR LOCAL FOODBANK VOUCHER HOLDERS ARE:

Adam Tucker - Community Connector - 07498 496 719 or 01983 752 168 option 2 Dale Sloan - Social Prescriber - 01983 758 998 option 6 Mel Gardiner - Just Ask Support Officer - 07599 465 722

# Stay in control of your child's health



Healthier Together is a website and mobile app that has been developed by healthcare professionals to provide comprehensive advice for parents, young people and

"It's like a mini doctor for you at home."

pregnant women.

Using an easy-to-follow traffic light system, you'll find clear information on common childhood illnesses, including advice on what signs to look out for, when and where to seek help if required, what you should do to keep your child comfortable and how long







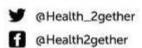


"Brilliant. Simple, reassuring and helpful. Thank you!"



Scan the QR code with a smart phone to visit what0-18.nhs.uk





Download the free 'Healthier Together' app

















iowyouthtrust.co.uk

#### Life can be hard, but accessing support shouldn't be...

The Isle of Wight Youth Trust provides FREE wellbeing & therapeutic support to children & young people aged 4-25 living on the Isle of Wight.

#### On our new website you can:

Find out more about the work of the Youth Trust & how to access support



Make a referral for 1:1 support



Find out what support is available @theHub



Find out more about the support available for parents/carers

Book onto one of our information sessions for parents/carers to support your young person with: Anxiety - Low Mood - Self Harm - Anger

#### Access FREE Wellbeing Self-Help Resources

Information on common feelings, experiences & mental health symptoms & where to access appropriate support.

Downloadable resources including breathing exercises, grounding techniques & a wellness journal

Links to FREE Apps & useful Websites to support mental health & wellbeing

#### Find out how you can support us!

Whether you would like to fundraise on your own or as a group, take on a challenge or simply make a donation, you can help us continue to support the mental health and wellbeing of young Islanders.





LEARN TO WRITE LYRICS, DEVELOP SONGS AND FIND YOUR STYLE IN A FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

FOR AGES 10 TO 16 YEARS

OPEN TO ALL - NO MUSICAL EXPERIENCE REQUIRED
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FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
(RUNS OCTOBER TO JULY)
CARISBROOKE CHURCH HALL
4PM - 5.30PM. £9.00 PER MONTH

SIGN UP AT WWW.STARLINGSONGWRITERS.CO.UK
OR CALL/TEXT: 07432739733

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# Shalfleet StaY+PlaY

#### FRIDAY 20™ JANUARY

10am - 12noon



why not come and join a new group for parents/carers with pre-school age children? A SAFE PLACE FOR GROWN-UPS TO CHAT AND CHILDREN TO PLAY refreshments and snacks provided FRIDAY'S DURING TERM TIME donations welcome and very much appreciated PLENTY OF FREE PARKING AVAILABLE parents are responsible for their own children PLEASE EMAIL FOR MORE DETAILS: abbysellen1993@hotmail.co.uk

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# Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6<sup>th</sup> Form

## 2022-23 Open Day/Evening dates

Ryde School	04/02/2023	10-12.30pm Parents are requested to register via website https://www.rydeschool.org.uk/admissions/open-days-visits or by emailing admissions@rydeschool.net
St George's School	n/a	Specifically arranged visits
The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment for a show round. Marion Ahmed – Tel: 861222 or email: mail@prioryschool.org.uk