



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 92.59%

Congratulations to Horizon Class who achieved 98.15% attendance last week

Gold Awards

Rainbow – Brianna, Ashleigh, Florrie

Sunshine – Henry, Jonny, Sonny

Sky – Ryan, Eli, Kourtney

Star – Margot, Emma

Comet – Lola, Joshua, Phoebe

Eclipse – Henry, Fred, Jasmine

Horizon – Ronnie, Gabrielle

Well done to all pupils who received Gold Awards / Tickets

Letters Home

"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him" Jeremiah 17:7

Upcoming Sports Fixtures

23rd January – U 9's away @ Northwood

KO @ 3.20pm

24th January – U 11's away @ Brighstone

KO @ 3.15pm

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

KO @ 3.15pm

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.

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.

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.

Is my child too 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/>

Why good attendance matters

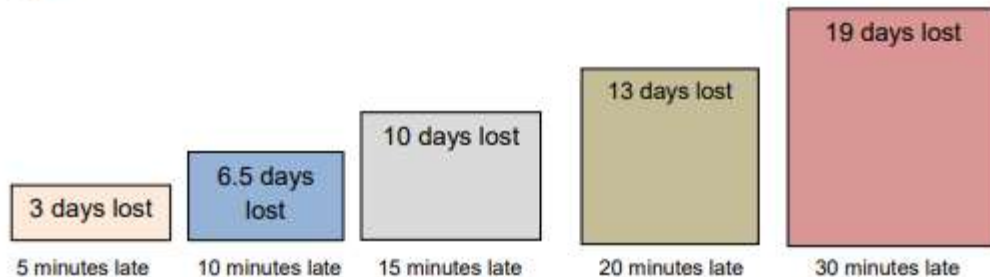
Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. The aim should be to attend 100% of the time.

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 30th January 2023

As you are all aware, the cost of fuel, National Minimum Wage and food has all increased recently. With this in mind, we are advising you that the cost of a school meal will increase from £2.40 to £2.55 with effect from Monday 30th January 2023.

Please remember that children in years R, 1 and 2 will still receive a free meal under the Universal Free School Meal scheme.

For families whose financial circumstances have changed, please remember that you are able to apply for Free School Meals via the IWCC. Please follow the link below to complete the online application form

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



In the Community

- Community Connector
@ Shalfleet School
1st February 9 – 12

Dates for your Diary

27th January – Year 1 Sharing Worship

2nd February – Parent Forum

30th March – Parent Forum

18th May – Parent Forum

15th June – Parent Forum

Birthdays

14th – 20th of January

Layla

Little Explorers

What has Little Explorers been up to this week.....

In Little Explorers we have been amazed by the confidence in our returning and new children who have all settled in beautifully since September. As a setting we have continued to strive towards our more natural approach with painting natural wall colours, some lovely wall stickers, wooden resources and reusable loose parts which promote open ended learning opportunities. For the future newsletters we will be including a short write up on what our children have been enjoying in each room throughout the week as well as some lovely pictures.

This week:

In the big room our children have enjoyed exploring the ice forming due to the cold weather in our tuff trays outside which froze the dinosaurs. Many of the children have continued to enjoy our art and craft area including painting, stamping, drawing, colouring and gluing.

In the baby room our children have enjoyed exploring our role play shop play area as well as continuing to enjoy sharing stories with their key people, playing with the small world car garage set up and climbing our indoor soft play





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



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* 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



ISLE OF WIGHT MUSIC HUB



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**



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Charity Number: 1163336



 OurPlaceWestWight



FREE Weekly Community Café

**Help Advice
Information Chat
Drinks Games
Tech Support**

West Wight
Sports & Community Centre

**Tuesdays
10:30am - 12:30pm**

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



Everyone welcome!





JOIN IN CONNECT THRIVE

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.



OurPlaceWestWight



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

HELP US

**RIGHT NOW
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

NHS

Healthier Together is a website and mobile app

that has been developed by healthcare professionals to provide comprehensive advice for parents, young people and pregnant women.

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

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 your child's symptoms are likely to last.





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



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 @Health2gether

Download
the free 'Healthier
Together' app





DON'T MISS THIS FUN FAMILY FESTIVAL DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM! Friday 17th & Saturday 18th February

Plus, new for this year, Thursday 16th for the over-12s

JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER



Have you got
your tickets
yet?

Tickets are now on sale for the IW Story Festival at Quay Arts in Newport during February half term from www.quayarts.org

It's a chance to meet well-known performers and writers like **Simon Farnaby** (from Paddington 2, Horrible Histories and Ghosts) who will be talking about his **Wizard in My Shed** series of books.

Former CBeebies star, **Cerrie Burnell**, will also be there with her exciting adventure story about being different, **Wilder than Midnight**.



CERRIE BURNELL

For younger children we have a world-exclusive. Author and illustrator Nicholas Allan will be revealing for the first time **The King's Pants** (some of you may already know and love one of his most famous books, **The Queen's Knickers**.)

There will be lots of other authors and illustrators for you to meet, some of them you may have heard of, some of them you may not. But all of them are worth seeing. Why not check some of them out before you come along: **Laura Ellen Adderson, Neal Layton, Jamie Littler, Gareth Peter, Kieran Larwood, Jules Marriner, Felicity Fair Thompson and Peta Rainford**

FAQs

Q: Do I need to get my tickets in advance?

A: It's a good idea. Tickets are selling fast! Get them from www.quayarts.org

Q: How much are tickets?

A: Some sessions are free, others cost between £3 and £6

Q: Is it just for people who like reading?

NO! The IW Story Festival isn't just about books! We've got lots of hands-on activities for you to get involved with – from making puppets to making rockets, illustrating comics to sewing a story. There will be storytellers and theatre performances too!

More information from: www.iwstoryfestival.com

Registered charity number: 1198024

Includes over
£50
worth of savings
to use across Tapnell Farm!
See website for details



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WINTER

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JUST £28 PER PERSON!
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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.





MONTHLY SONG WRITING & RECORDING CLUB

**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
SUPPORTS COURSEWORK FOR MUSIC GCSE/BTEC**

**FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
(RUNS OCTOBER TO JULY)**

CARISBROOKE CHURCH HALL

4PM - 5.30PM. £9.00 PER MONTH

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Newport Badger Settle Are looking for new members aged 5-10 years to come and join in with lots of games, fun learning new skills.

What we do...

We play games and work towards Badger subject badges and learn lifesaving first aid skills.



For more information on how to get involved...

www.sja.org.uk/badgers or email me at Justina.Coote@sja.org.uk

We meet on
Tuesday evening term time
at 18:00-19:15.
Dodner Park, 12 Manners
View, Newport, PO305FA.

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FILM NIGHTS *family* 4 BORNEO

ALL FILMS ARE RATED PG / U



21/01/23



18/02/23



25/03/23

FRESHWATER METHODIST CHURCH

5-7PM// Donations On Entry

-SWEETS BAGS £1-

**FUNDRAISER FOR SAM & SETH'S
BORNEO EXPEDITION!**

Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6th 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