

# 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**

#### **Letters Home**

- Year 4 - Roman Presentation

Understanding Your Percentage Attendance				
100%	0 days missed	Fantastic attendancel		
99%	2 days missed	Well done—you are at or above the School Target	$\odot$	
98%	4 days missed			
97%	6 days missed			
96%	8 days missed	sure you do not miss any	<u></u>	
95%	10 days missed			
94%	12 days missed			
93%	14 days missed	attendance is becoming	(; (;	
92%	16 days missed			
91%	18 days missed			
90%	19 days missed	At 90% and below you are Persistently Absent— school will support you and your family to help this improve		
89%	21 days missed			
88%	23 days missed			
87%	25 days missed			
86%	27 days missed			
85%	29 days missed			

#### **Attendance Matters**



#### **Attendance**

Over a school year, we are due to open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions with registration in the morning at 8.35am and after lunch in the afternoon.

Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

**Attendance Target** 

100%

**Attendance Last Week** 

91%

**Attendance This Year** 

93%

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#### 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/

'But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength'

2 Timothy 4:17

#### **Upcoming Sports Fixtures**

#### 8<sup>th</sup> February – Basketball Tournament @ West Wight Sports Centre 1pm

Birthdays 28<sup>th</sup> January – 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Jonah Phoebe

#### **Gold Awards**

Rainbow – Zac, Amelie, Kyla

Sunshine – Reggie, Lexi, Logan

Sky – Noah, Oliver E, Hollie

Star - Whole Class

Comet – Borys, Edith, Freddie

Eclipse – Harriet, Andrew, Isla-Mary

Horizon - Neve, Poppy

Well done to all pupils who received Gold Awards / Tickets

#### **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.

office@shalfleetceprimary.co.uk

#### 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.

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#### **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

https://www.iow.gov.uk/Council/OtherServices/Free-School-Meals/Key-Stage-3-and-Upwards

If you do not have access to the internet and would prefer a paper application form, please contact the school office.

\* 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**

2<sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day

10<sup>th</sup> February – Year R Sharing Worship

10<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6 Sharing Worship

30th March - Parent Forum

18<sup>th</sup> May – Parent Forum

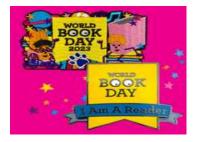
15th June - Parent Forum



#### In the Community

#### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - WORLD BOOK DAY

Please come dressed as your favorite book character, and bring a book to swap! (Please be aware this is a permanent swap)



## <u>Little Explorers</u> What have we been up to this week.......

We are pleased to announce that we have implemented some names for our rooms to match our natural environment, our baby room is now called the curious squirrel's room and the big room is now called the wise owl's room. We will be changing our intercom buttons shortly and have chosen some lovely room decorations to match these themes.

This week in the wise owl's room the children have enjoyed many art and craft activities including painting, sticking and mark making. We have made many special cards this week that the children have asked to make including cards for Nanny's, Mummy's, Sisters and Daddy's using lots of sparkles. Outside this week the children have enjoyed a role play campfire where we spoke about safety around fires and pretended to cook dinner for all our friends.

This week in the curious squirrels rooms the children have also enjoyed art and craft especially painting where they used many different animal shaped sponges and paintbrushes of the children's choosing. They have also been exploring mark making in sensory activities such as sand where they have had a variety of resources to make marks with such as glitter sticks, spoons and brushes, they have also enjoyed transferring the sand from the sand tray to a smaller black tray with our construction toys.





#### Valentines Disco – Wednesday 8th February

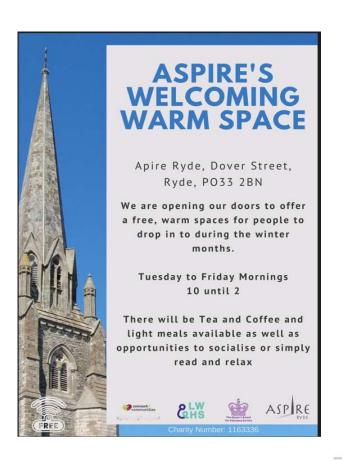
KS1 includes Reception Class Disco 4 - 5.15pm

Just to make you aware there are no child care provisions before the disco however, you are more than welcome to stay with your child until 4pm. Otherwise please collect your child as normal and return to school for start of disco at 4pm.

KS2 Disco 5.30 – 7pm

Please collect your child as normal then drop your child back to school for the disco at 5.30pm.

Please can you let the school office know if your child intends to stay for either disco so we can ensure refreshments are available.









#### 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.





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







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







Find out what support is available @theHub



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.



# 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 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.







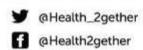


"Brilliant. Simple, reassuring and helpful. Thank you!"



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





Download the free 'Healthier Together' app











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

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



FAOs

O: 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

#### 0: How much are tickets?

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

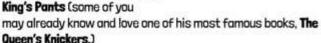
### O: Is it just for people who like reading?

Tickets are now on sale for the IV 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, Vilder than Midnight.

For younger children we have a world-exclusive. Author and illustrator Nicholas Allan will be revealing for the first time **The** 





CERRIE BURNELL

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 Adnderson, Neal Layton, Jamie Littler, Gareth Peter, Kieran Larwood, Jules Marriner, Felicity Fair Thompson and Peta Rainford

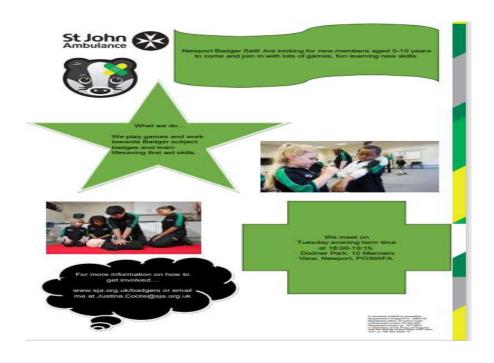
NO! The IW Story Festival isn't just about books! We've got lots of hands—on activities for you to get involved with — from making puppets to making rockets, illustrating comics to sewing a story. There will be storytellers and theatre performances too!

More information from: www.iwstoryfestival.com

Registered charity number: 1198024













# After School Clay Club

Mondays 4pm until 5:30pm Sessions start 27th February at Tregear Pottery, Niton

An exciting and unique opportunity for your child to learn a variety of making techniques in our working pottery studio. Over a 5 week period, we will explore wheel throwing, sculpting and modelling and follow the pottery processes through to completion, finishing with a range of glazed and fired pieces to take home.

Spaces are limited so please contact us as soon as possible to secure your spot, email us at: isleofwightpottery@gmail.com £90 for 5 weeks



## Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6<sup>th</sup> Form 2022-23 Open Day/Evening dates

St George's School	n/a	Specifically arranged visits
The Priory School	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment
of our Lady		for a show round. Marion Ahmed – Tel: 861222 or email:
Walsingham		mail@prioryschool.org.uk