



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

RESPECT • DETERMINATION • RELATIONSHIPS

Letters Home

Understanding Your Percentage Attendance			
100%	0 days missed	Fantastic attendance!	
99%	2 days missed	Well done—you are at or above the School Target	
98%	4 days missed		
97%	6 days missed		
96%	8 days missed	At 96% and below you are just below target—make sure you do not miss any more days	
95%	10 days missed		
94%	12 days missed		
93%	14 days missed	At 93% and below your attendance is becoming worryingly low.	
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 This Week

91.28%

Attendance This Year

91.39%

Important Information

Dates for your Diary

26th January – U11's football match at home

27th January – Cove Class Assembly

9th February – school disco

13th February -Half term

20th February – Back to school

13th March – School Nurse to see Beach, Cove and Solent class

Football fixtures

Thursday 26th January 23 – U11's football at home

Teacher strikes

As you aware, the NEU union industrial strikes are due to take place on:

Wed 1st Feb

Thurs 2nd March

Wed 15th March

Thurs 16th March

Please look out for communication from the school and please be prepared for potential disruption.

In the Community

Sharing Assembly

Cove Class – Friday 27th January
at 9am

The holy spirit produces this
kind of fruit for our lives:

Love, Joy,

Peace, Patience

Kindness, Goodness

Faithfulness, Gentleness

And Self Control

-Galatians:22-23

Gold Awards

Last week's Gold Award winners are:

Beach Class: Tyler, Bella and Ada

Cove Class: Bonnie, William, Jack and Noah

Bay Class: Kai, Lily and Phoebe

River Class: Poppie-Mae, Scarlett and Frankie

Coast Class: Jay, Ethan and Olly

Solent Class: Kai, Scarlet, Evangeline and Summer

Ocean Class: Imogen, Reece, Ryleigh and Archie



23rd Jan – 29th Jan 2023

Tilly

Callum

Bella

Happy birthday to you all!

Little Stars Pre School

What have Little Stars been up to this week.....

This week Little Stars Preschool have been making the most of the cold spell with the children creating ice swamps and rainbows! They had loads of fun cracking & melting the ice, making lots of discoveries such as golden treasure hidden inside the ice!

It's also been busy at Little Stars doctor's surgery, thankfully the children accepted walk in appointments & were quick to make our Head teacher Mrs Grainger feel much better!

Well done Little Stars



School disco

We will be holding a school disco on Thursday February 9th. Please see details below:

KS1 - Reception, YR 1 and YR 2

3.15pm -4.15pm

Children can bring in a change of clothes for the disco should they wish and will be able to change at school and go straight into the disco.

Please collect your children from the main entrance at 4.15 pm.

KS2 - 430pm - 6pm

Children will enter and exit the disco through the main entrance.

Children at booster club may change and go straight into disco should they wish to.

Central Disco have kindly donated a free disco to the school so the PTA are able to offer the disco free to all children.

We will however have:

A tattoo station

A nail bar

Snacks

Squash refill station (please bring own bottle!)

All of these will be at a charge and ask children to bring no more than £3.

Should you wish your child to come to the disco, please book them in via the office.

School car park

Please can we remind you that the school carpark is for Yarmouth school staff and Little stars Preschool staff only. Please find alternative parking arrangements offsite. Parking permits for Moa place are available from the school office.

Chartwells Meal Increase

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/Other-Services/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.

Why high attendance is important for education

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

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 behaviour
- affect their ability to have or keep friendships.

Supporting your child's school attendance

Good school attendance habits are best started early. Children learn from those around them and you as parents/carers set the standards and expectations for your child.


For hints, tips and advice on how you can support your child with their school attendance, check out the website: www.iow.gov.uk/schoolattendance



In aid of Island charities

THE WIGHT STROLLERS panto

Aladdin



February Half Term 2023
Sat 11th, Sun 12th and Sat 18th

Adults - £14* | Under 14s - £10*
www.medinatheatre.co.uk
01983 823884

*price includes £1 booking fee

ADULT LEARNING

Spring 2023

All classes take place at
The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde,
PO33 1QS unless otherwise stated.

MULTIPLY
Does the thought of needing to do maths at work or at home make you anxious? Are you interested in **free** flexible courses to help improve your numeracy skills? Multiply is a new government-funded programme offering you free and easy-to-access courses and initiatives to help you brush up on your numeracy skills. Take your next step today and find courses and support to help.
For more information on Multiply courses being offered on the Island and to see if you qualify, please visit: www.iow.gov.uk/multiply

FREE ONLINE COURSES
A wide range of short courses are on offer through the Equal Learning Platform. New modules include:
Keeping Young People Safe Online, Stalking and Harassment Awareness, Suicide Awareness and Prevention, Menopause Awareness, Knife Crime Awareness and Understanding the Power of the Influencer.
For more details, please contact ac@iow.gov.uk

ICT
Computers for Beginners
6 week course - Thursday 5 January to 9 February - 1pm to 4pm - Free
Computers for Beginners
East Side Curve, East Cowes Town Hall, York Avenue, East Cowes, PO32 6RU
6 week course - Wednesday 22 February to 29 March - 9.30am to 12.30pm - Free
Essential Digital Skills For Life Level Entry 3
12 week course - Thursday 5 January to 30 March - 9.30am to 12pm - Free
Essential Digital Skills For Work Level 1
10 week course - Monday 9 January to 20 March - 9.30am to 12.30pm - Free
ICDL Word Processing Level 1 and 2
6 week course - Tuesday 3 January to 7 February - 9.30am to 12.30pm - Free
ICDL Spreadsheets Level 1 and 2
6 week course - Thursday 23 February to 30 March - 1pm to 4pm - Free

All classes are for adults (19+ years old)

For more information and to book your place please get in touch.
iow.gov.uk/ACLcourses
01983 817280
ac@iow.gov.uk
IWCAC

*Concessionary rates are offered to learners who are in receipt of specific means tested benefits.

Charity Guide matrix Education & Skills Funding Agency

St John Ambulance

Newport Badger Set! 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.




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

For more information on how to get involved...
www.sja.org.uk/badgers or email me at Justina.Coote@sja.org.uk

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JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

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

IV STORY FESTIVAL
for children & families

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, **Corrie Burnell**, will also be there with her exciting adventure story about being different, **Wilder than Midnight**.



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 Anderson, 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?
A: NO! The IV 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

AIM - THE ISLAND'S AUTISTIC PEOPLE'S ORGANISATION

RAISE Training for Isle of Wight Schools

Information for Parents/Carers of Autistic Children & Young

What is RAISE?

RAISE stands for:

Respecting Autistic Identity in Schools & Education

It is part of a nationwide project that aims to reduce the numbers of exclusions, suspensions and hospital admissions of autistic children and young people.

AIM is an Island based **autistic led** charity that have been commissioned to provide **training** to several Island **schools**. This means schools will be trained by **Actually Autistic** adults who understand what these children and young people may be experiencing.

The goal is to promote **positive autistic identity**, increase **understanding** of autism and the related **reasonable adjustments** that support autistic students' **mental health**, and break down the **barriers to attendance**.

What Will the Training Cover?

- Session 1: Introduction & Anxiety
- Session 2: Communication
- Session 3: Sensory Processing
- Session 4: Transitions
- Session 5: Behaviour
- Session 6: Reasonable Adjustments

All sessions are on Fridays - 09:30-13:30

There are 3 runs of the training available between April 2023 and December 2023

Parents & Carers

Spaces are also available for parents/carers of autistic children and young people.

Parents will need to attend all 6 sessions.

If you would like a space on RAISE, please ask your child or young person's school.

What else is RAISE Offering?

School governors and senior leaders will be attending 2 separate sessions so, those able to make changes to school policies receive the necessary information.

Youth Trust's autism specialist will be providing **mental health** support for autistic children and young people in schools.

Autism Outreach will be assisting schools to review their **policies** to ensure they include **Reasonable Adjustments**.

Parents' Voice IOW will be holding **forums** within each school to facilitate **communication** between **school** staff and **parents**.

AIM will be running a series of **workshops** for autistic children and young people that focus on **managing anxiety** and **positive autistic identity**.

A series of **SEN Law leaflets** to inform parents/carers of their child or young person's **rights** under the **Equality Act**.



support@aimisleofwight.co.uk
www.peoplematteriw.org/autism-inclusion-matters
07498 500 607 (TEXT ONLY)
facebook@aimisleofwight





Family Pottery Workshop

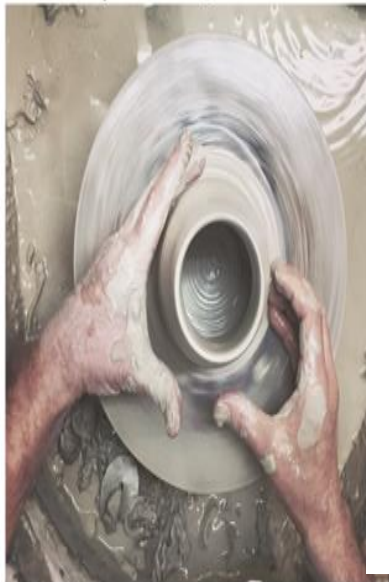
13th, 14th and 15th of
February 10 - 12am
at Tregear Pottery, Niton

*£100 for up to
four people**

You and your family can create your own coil pots and learn how to throw pots on the wheel. We'll glaze and fire your work for you so you can keep your masterpieces!

To book email us at:
isleofwightpottery@gmail.com

**more people can attend for an
additional £20 per person*



Half Term Clay Club

13th, 14th and 15th of
February 2 - 4pm
at Tregear Pottery, Niton

£25 per person

Create your own clay models and decorate a mug. We'll glaze and fire your work for you so you can keep your masterpieces!

To book email us at:
isleofwightpottery@gmail.com

