Weekly Newsletter – 21st April 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

| | Fantastic attendance! | 0 days missed | 100% |
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| \odot | Well done—you are at or above the School Target | 2 days missed | 99% |
| | | 4 days missed | 98% |
| | | 6 days missed | 97% |
| Ċ | At 96% and below you are just below target—make sure you do not miss any more days | 8 days missed | 96% |
| | | 10 days missed | 95% |
| | | 12 days missed | 94% |
| | At 93% and below your attendance is becoming worryingly low. | 14 days missed | 93% |
| | | 16 days missed | 92% |
| | | 18 days missed | 91% |
| | At 90% and below you are Persistently Absent— school will support you and your family to help this improve | 19 days missed | 90% |
| | | 21 days missed | 89% |
| | | 23 days missed | 88% |
| | | 25 days missed | 87% |
| | | 27 days missed | 86% |
| | | 29 days missed | 85% |

Letters Home



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.



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House Points awarded this Week

Osborne – 20 Lifeboat – 15 Needles - 18 Lighthouse - 25

Birthdays 1st April – 21st April

Innes Octavia Edward Ilithyia

Kai Liam Sephi Alfie George

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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.

shalfleet@fosay.co.uk

Sports Fixtures

These will commence again soon.

Gold Awards

Rainbow – Hugo, Jack, Emily

Sunshine – Ralph, William, Noah

Sky – (School Trip)

Star – Larry, Imogen

Comet – Georgia, Borys, James

Eclipse - Henry, Millie, Daisy, Remi

Horizon – Ella, Jake

Teacher Strikes

Please be aware that Teacher Strikes are due to take place on the 27th April and 2nd May. We will keep you informed with more information as we receive further information.

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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.



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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

5th May - Year 4 Sharing Assembly

19th May – Year 3 Sharing Assembly

9th – 12th May – Year 6 SATS

12th May - Coronation Picnic - More Details to Follow

18th May – Parent Forum

26th May – Development Day

26th May – Sea Shanties @ Yarmouth Green 4.30pm

5th June – Development Day

15th June – Parent Forum

3rd July – Development Day

1st September - Development Day

4th September - Development Day



In the Community

- 24th May Community
 Connector Drop In –
 Shalfleet School 9 12
- 26th May Sea Shanties
 4.30pm Yarmouth Green
- 19th July Community
 Connector Drop In –
 Shalfleet School 9 12

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Little Explorers - What have we been up to this week.....

This week in the curious squirrels room we have been enjoying water play in our garden especially when the sun has been shining so we can mark make with paint brushes on the ground. We have also been enjoying the soft play slide in the room and sliding down different resources as well as sliding don different ways ourselves.



This week in the Wise owls room we have settled back really well and been especially excited at looking how much our plants have grown in the greenhouse and we have even been able to take our sunflowers home to continue growing. We have shown a big interest in building and have made castles, houses, animal homes, role play campfires and obstacle courses with our friends.



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Lord Lieutenant Writing Competition

The Lord-Lieutenant is inviting all aspirational young poets and writers to submit a composition to celebrate the Kings Coronation on May 6th. This invitation is open to all young people aged 18 and under. She would very much welcome your support in promoting this project to your young people.

The entry judged to be the most appropriate and inspirational will be chosen to be read out (by the author, if willing) as a reading at The Isle of Wight's own Coronation Celebration Service on May 7th. In addition, a booklet of all suitable compositions will be produced as a lasting commemoration of the Coronation.

The composition should be no less than 50 and no more than 250 words long and can be a poem or prose. It should have the Coronation as its main subject and should reflect both youth and age.



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PLAY JUNIOR RUGBY

Vectis Rugby club have spaces open in our Under 8s (Year 3) and Under 12s (Year 7). *Every Sunday at IWRFC in Wootton at 10am.* First two session are free Email for more information

Email: vectisrfccoaching@gmail.com www.vectisrugby.co.uk



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





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.



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

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



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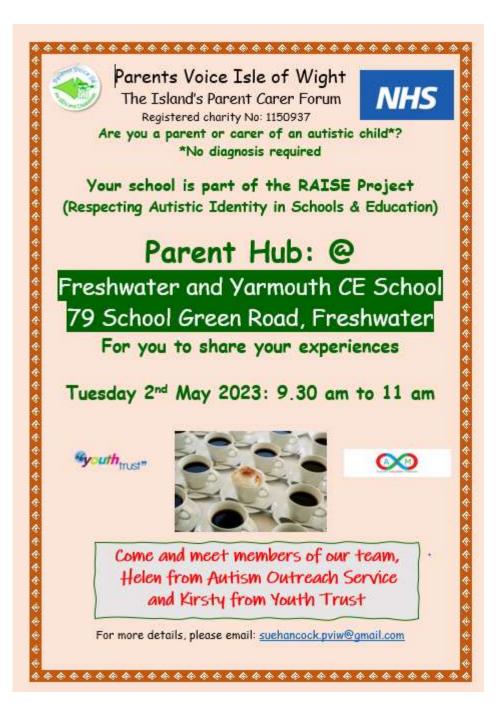


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YARMOUTH & THORLEY's CORONATION CELEBRATION SUNDAY 7TH MAY AFTER MIDDAY IN THE SQUARE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD & DRINK FROM THE VARIOUS HOSTELRIES OR BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC **ALL WELCOME**

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