



Freshwater & Yarmouth C.E. Primary

The purpose of the Federation of the Church Schools of Shalfleet and Freshwater & 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 • RESILIENCE • RELATIONSHIPS

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

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

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

94.38%

Attendance This Year

95.53%

Important Information

Dates for your Diary

Friday 10th November – Remembrance Worship
Friday 17th November – Mufti day for Children in Need
Friday 17th November – Coast Class sharing assembly
Tuesday 21st November – Parent Forum
Wednesday 22nd November – Ocean Class to Imperial War Museum
Tuesday 28th November - Solent Class to Winchester Science Museum
Friday 1st December – River Class sharing assembly
Tuesday 5th December – Beach Class to Choyd in Yarmouth to sing carols
Wednesday 6th December – Christmas dinner and Christmas Jumper day
Wednesday 6th December – Community Connector drop in 9am-12pm
Friday 8th December – Christingle Service
Friday 15th December – Christmas Worship
Friday 15th December – Last day of term
Monday 18th December – Development day
Tuesday 19th December – Development day
Tuesday 2nd January – Return to school

Children In Need

It's time to get SPOTACULAR with Children in need on Friday 17th November. It's a spotty theme so children can come to school in mufti wearing anything spotty!

A big thank you

Beach Class would like to thank all the families who donated cakes for their Macmillan cake morning. They raised £95.00 for Macmillan cancer support.

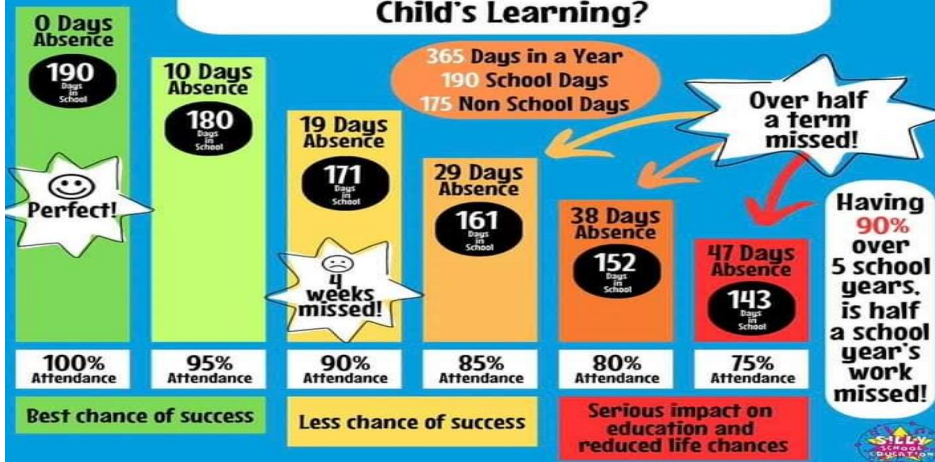
Well done Beach Class!

Chartwells New Menu

Chartwells have a brand new menu. You can find the new menu on Dojo and the school website fosay.co.uk

If you would like your child to have a school meal, please book in via Scopay.

How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?



“be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.”

1 Corinthians 16:13

Our Mission Statement

We value and respect everyone within an atmosphere of Christian love. Our welcoming community builds strong relationships and is dedicated to supporting everyone to flourish academically, emotionally, socially and culturally through an excellent and engaging curriculum.

Values

Our three R's are incredibly important to us. They represent qualities we believe everyone can identify with, regardless of age or role in our conscious community. They are the backbone to the conscious community as a whole.



RESPECT



RESILIENCE




RELATIONSHIPS

Attendance

We prioritise the attendance of all children at our school and recognise the very strong link between attendance and academic success,

When you register your child at our school, you have a legal duty to ensure that your child attends every day that the school is open except in a small number of circumstances such as being too ill to attend or being given permission for an absence in advance (not holidays).

We will work together to help overcome any attendance issues.



The Conscious Community


What is the conscious community?
 Every person in our federation – including you and all adults – has an important responsibility. That is to be the best you can be. To do this you need to be aware of all that you do and feel; you also need to be aware of what others are doing and feeling too. This is what being in a conscious community is all about.

Conscious = Aware

Community = All together

How do I make sure I am part of this?

By thinking about both your actions/feelings and the actions/feelings of others through 3 important values:

<h2>Respect</h2>	<h2>Resilience</h2>	<h2>Relationships</h2>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Celebrate your skills and talents - Recognise what makes you great - Be proud of what you achieve - Celebrate other people's skills and talents - Recognise what makes other people great - Be proud of what other people achieve 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Making mistakes are great - It's how we grow - It is important we always respect them and learn from them - Ask yourself these questions about your actions or the actions of others... - Why do I/they feel this way? - Did I/they handle that situation in the best possible way? - What could I/they do to improve the situation? - Did I/they do the best I/they could? - What can we learn from this situation? - How can we move forward positively? 	<p>Show a good understanding of yourself and others by knowing what inspires you both, what you want, your beliefs, your needs and what can cause you and them to feel a certain way.</p> <p>In situations ask yourself and others...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is my/their point of view? - What are my/their reasons? - How am I/they feeling? - What am I/they bringing to this situation?

In a conscious community...

<p><i>We are open</i></p> <p><i>We ask questions</i></p>	<p><i>We are honest</i></p> <p><i>We speak up</i></p>	<p><i>We listen</i></p> <p><i>We respect privacy</i></p>
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Wellbeing

We acknowledge that mental health and wellbeing is of central importance and intrinsic to our lives.

We believe having a mentally healthy community is about being able to work together through any challenges and that everyone is feeling supported, heard, accepted, valued and empowered.

It is of paramount importance that if there is anything you feel is affecting your child's wellbeing or educational experience that you get in contact with us.

School carpark

Some of our staff members have been unable to park for work due to parents parking in the staff carpark this week.

Please **DO NOT** park in the staff carpark at any time unless you hold a blue badge. The carpark is for school staff and Little Stars staff only.

Christmas Jumper day

We will be supporting Christmas Jumper day in aid of Save the Children on Wednesday 6th December. Your child may come to school wearing a Christmas jumper/top for a small donation.

This will also be our Christmas dinner day.
More details to follow.....



Remembrance Worship

We will be holding a Remembrance Worship this Friday 9am. Everyone is welcome



Development Days

We will be closed on Monday 18th December and Tuesday 19th December.

The last day of term will be on Friday 15th December.

Mr Westhorpe's joke of the week!

I asked Mrs Buckett when her birthday was

She said March 1st

So, I walked around the room and then asked her again!

Upcoming PE Fixtures

15th November - Girls U11's v Gatten & Lake

17th November - Mixed U11's Football tournament at Cowes High School

22nd November - Boys u9's v Brighstone

29th November - Boys U11's v Brighstone

Good Luck Everyone!

Gold Awards

Friday before half term gold award winners were:

Beach Class: Teddy, Kitty, Lola, Amelia and Sophia

Cove Class: Ada, Rainie and Delilah

Bay Class: Charlie, Layla C and Angelina

River Class: Whole Class

Coast Class: Annaleigha, Talliss, Kaiden and Amelie

Solent Class: Owen and Eli

Ocean Class: Whole Class, Tanya and Will



Birthdays

6th November – 12th November

Archie

Happy birthday to you!

Outdoor learning Golden Wellie

No Wellie award this week.
This will return on Friday.

Keep up the great work!



Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 52

Lifeboat - 29

Needles - 52

Lighthouse – 28

Well done to
Osbourne and
Needles for
collecting the most
tokens this week!

Little Stars Pre School

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

We were super lucky to have 8 week old Dottie, a gorgeous Boxer puppy visit us! Dottie loved cuddles & tickles with everybody! Lots of smiles & squeals of delight! Of course, we took Dottie to visit our Reception Class friends too, stopping along the way so Mrs Grainger & some other lucky teachers could enjoy a Dottie cuddle

Dottie was not our only visitor; we actually got to meet Gillian Keegan the Secretary of State for Education of the United Kingdom! Gillian popped in & chatted to us about the story we were sharing & all the things we love about our new school.

Other things we have been up to include: creating collages of pets, muddy walks & adventures, celebrating Guy Fawkes, musical instruments, hall games, dancing"



Ugandan Choir

The Ugandan choir came to visit us yesterday and what a show it was! They were brilliant. Thank you to all the parents and family members who came along to support the choir during their evening performance.

Here are a few quotes from the staff and children:

It was really good. I liked the clapping -Bruce

The dances were amazing – Annaleigha

They were amazing! They sung acapella using only drums to keep in time. It was fabulous! – Mrs Harris

The exploded into the hall with so much confidence, they were so inspiring and left us all feeling elated – Mrs Whitehead



FREE EVENT

KEEP WARM AND WELL
WINTER IS COMING

GET FREE HELP FROM THE FOOTPRINT TRUST WITH
❄️ **ENERGY & WATER BILLS**

With many partner organisations providing help with jobs, benefits, energy saving grants, heating upgrade grants etc

Wednesday 8th Nov 2pm-7:30pm
NCCC, 64 High Street, Newport

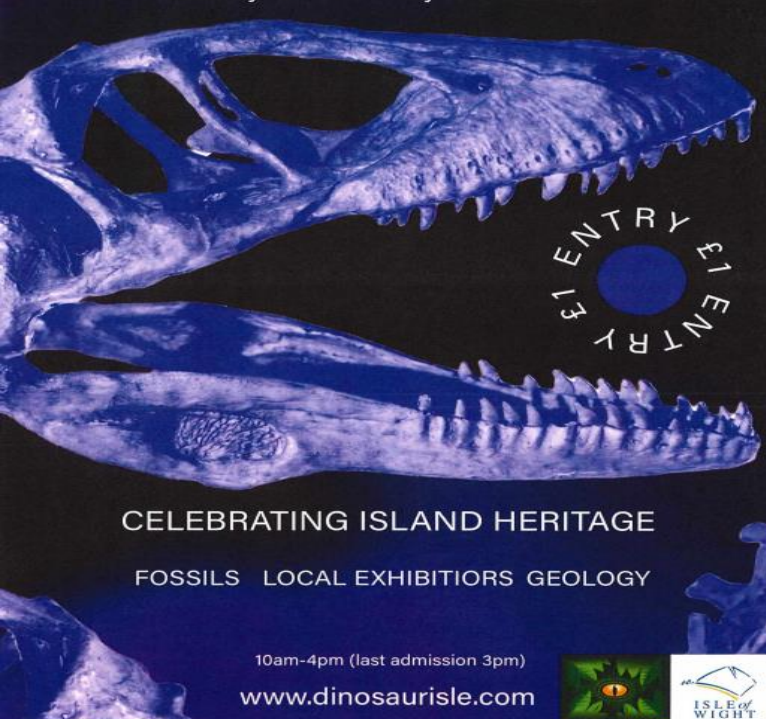
For immediate help call: 01983 822282



Dinosaur Isle Museum

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th November





ENTRY 13 ENTRY

CELEBRATING ISLAND HERITAGE

FOSSILS LOCAL EXHIBITIONS GEOLOGY

10am-4pm (last admission 3pm)
www.dinosaurisle.com

On your own at Christmas?
Join us...

West Wight Community Christmas Day Lunch

If you are alone this Christmas and would like to share a joyful Christmas Day lunch with other people from our community, book today!



£5 **BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL**
Phone: 759662 to book

1 - 4pm, 25th December, 2023
Holy Family Centre, St Saviour's, Tolland

For transport help on the day (West Wight area only) or for more info, phone Kelly 759662 or email wwccmas@gmail.com

THE NEW STROLLING PLAYERS

By Cheryl May

The Emperor's New Clothes

Tickets:
Available from Topknot & Tails Dog Grooming in Freshwater, Orchard Bros. in Freshwater Bay, and BluebytheSea in Yarmouth

Adult £8 Children £5
Family £22 (2 adults and 2 children)

PANTOMIME

Seeking a new wardrobe at Freshwater Memorial Hall

December 14th 7.30pm December 16th 2.30pm
December 15th 7.30pm December 16th 7.30pm

This amateur production is by arrangement with NODA Limited

Helping your child with fears and worries

6 weekly sessions for 2 hours

Does your child struggle with fears and worries?
The MHST is offering parent-led sessions to provide you with skills to help support your child with their fears and worries.

In these sessions we'll be looking at:

- How anxiety develops and is maintained
- Causes of childhood anxiety difficulties
- What keeps your child's anxiety going
- How to encourage independence
- Step-by-step approach to overcoming fears and worries
- Problem solving technique

If you are interested in these sessions, please speak with the school's Designated Mental Health Lead

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Understanding your child's behaviour

6 weekly sessions for 2 hours

Do you need support in understanding your child's behaviours? The MHST is offering parent-led sessions to provide you with skills focusing on reinforcement, boundaries, rewards and emotional recognition

In these sessions we'll be looking at:

- Causes of behaviour you view to be challenging
- Behavioural theories
- The importance of play
- How to praise and reward
- How and when to use selective ignoring
- How to give effective instructions
- How to set fair consequences

If you are interested in these sessions, please speak with the school's Designated Mental Health Lead

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