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



ATTENDANCE WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Children are required by law to attend school 190 days per year. The Government states that every pupil attendance should be at least 95%.

How do YOU measure up? 95% 9 Days 2 Weeks 50 Lessons 90% 19 Days 4 Weeks 100 Lessons 85% 29 Days 6 Weeks 150 Lessons 80% 38 Days 8 Weeks 200 Lessons 75% 10 Weeks 48 Days 250 Lessons

70%

65%

57 Days

67 Days

11.5 Weeks 290 Lessons



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 before half term

94.17%

Attendance This Year

93.66%

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Important Information

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 22nd February – Solent Class to start swimming lessons

Thursday 29th February – Coast Class to Brading Roman Villa

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Friday 8th March – Ocean Class sharing assembly

Sunday 10th March – Gardening Day with Miss Gates – More to follow

Friday 15th March - Comic Relief/Red Nose Day

Wednesday 20th March – Beach Class and Little Stars to Monkey Haven

Thursday 21st March – Cove Class to Amazon World

Tuesday 26th March – Parent Forum

Friday 22nd March – Solent Class sharing assembly

Thursday 28th March – Easter Service

Thursday 28th March – Last day of term

Friday 29th March – Good Friday (bank Holiday)

Monday 15th April – Back to School

How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning? O Days Absence 365 Daus in a Year 10 Days Absence 190 School Days Over half 75 Non School Days 19 Days Absence a term missed! 29 Days Absence Having Perfect! 38 Days Absence 90% over 47 Days weeks missed! 5 school years, is half a school year's 100% Attendance 95% Attendance 90% Attendance 85% Attendance 80% Attendance 75% Attendance work missed! Serious impact on Best chance of success Less chance of success education and reduced life chances

Menu for the week ahead

Week 1

Monday – Cheese and Tomato Pizza or Stir-Fried Vegetable Rice

Chocolate brownie

Tuesday – Classic Beef Burger or Vegetarian Burger

Crispy Crackle Bar with Fruit

Wednesday – Roast Turkey or Vegetable pastry Roll

Flapjack

Thursday – Beef Bolognese or Vegetarian Bolognese

Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice

Friday – Fish fingers and chips or crispy Quorn nuggets and chips

Vanilla Icecream

Jacket potatoes and pasta are available every day.

Baguettes are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

'Let your light shine'
Matthew 5:16

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.

<u>Values</u>

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

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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.



<u> Wellbeing</u>

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.

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Parent Questionnaire

As part of our continued partnership with you as parents and carers - we ask that you complete the brief question-naire below. This will support us in our curriculum design and in making our schools even better for the children and the future.

Thank you for your support and remember, we are always here for you and your families.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScLJRYhRJ ezsMj04pUi-

8MQMZIZhVma891zfm7ZzVi29xA0Rg/viewform

Closing date Friday 1st March

Comic Relief/Red Nose Day

We will be supporting Comic Relief this year on Friday 15th March

Your child may come to school wearing something red for a small donation.

Come in Mufti with something red or come top to toe in red!

Football Fixtures

Tuesday 27th February – Home v St Thomas (U11's)

TBC - Bembridge v Home (U11's)

TBC – Northwood v Home (Girls)

TBC - Home v Newchurch (U9's)

Parent Forum

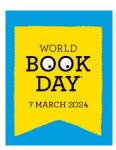
Please come along to our parent forum on Tuesday 26th March

Mrs Grainger would like as many parents to join her. She doesn't like to be lonely!!

World Book Day

This year World Book Day will be on Thursday 7th March.

Your child can come to school dressed as their favorite book character.



Mr Westhorpe's joke of the week!

What colour is Wind?

Blew!

Parking

It has been very dangerous at the beginning and the end of the school day with parents trying to park in the staff carpark. Thank you to all the parents/carers who have been following the carpark rules!

Please **do not use the staff carpark** unless you hold a blue badge. Please find other alternative parking offsite.

Please come to the school office if you need a parking permit for Moa Place.

We are currently looking at ways to address this issue.

Thank you for your support

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Before half term's Gold Award winners were:

Beach Class: Marlee, Albie, Lola, Kitty, Eli and Lacey

Cove Class: Delilah, Oliver and katie

Bay Class: Arabella, Layla C and Daniil

River Class: The Whole Class

Coast Class: Shanika, Rohan, Poppie-Mae and Ewan

Solent Class: James, Joesph, Eliza and AJ

Ocean Class: Rosie, Evangeline and Joey







12th February – 25th February

Ada

Keira

Freddie

Bonnie

Happy birthday to you!

Outdoor learning Golden Wellie

Well done to Barnabas for winning the outdoor learning golden wellie the last week before half term.

Keep up the great work!



Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 24

Lifeboat - 56

Needles - 28

Lighthouse – 36

Well done to **Lifeboat** for

collecting the most
tokens this week!

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Little Stars Pre School

After finding an egg shell in the garden the children became really interested in the lifecycle of a bird. We researched this in a book about ducks, looking at a photo sequence of an egg hatching & growing into a duck. The children came to the conclusion that the egg we found was too small to be a duck's egg so we then investigated other species of birds!

Learning the names of other types of birds was fun, we looked at similarities & differences between them. The children decided it would also be fun to go bird spotting which led to us talking about camouflage & making our very own telescopes & binoculars.

Later on, we shared a story about the Dawn Chorus & listened to some beautiful birds singing! Turns out the children are beautiful singers too; singing Two Little Dickie Birds!

Getting crafty we made little colourful bird finger puppets & thought of names to give them. Everyone giggled as we re-sang the song using the puppet names instead of Peter & Paul. Eggs seem to be a theme this week what with Pancake Day too!

One morning Reception joined us for some pancake fun, we shared the story Mr Wolf's Pancakes & then enjoyed some tasty pancakes of our own yum yum!"









ISLE OF WIGHT HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING

01983 823134 iow.gov.uk/costofliving

General help and support

Citizens Advice IW can give free help with money issues and much more.

- **0800 144 88 48** or Textphone on **18001 0800 144 8884**
- www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk

Debts and paying bills

Citizens Advice Money team.

- 01983 823898 ext: 2825
- www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk/money-advice-team

Buying food

- www.iow.gov.uk/costofliving and tap on 'food' for more information.

 Join a community pantry and for £5 a week, receive over £15 worth of food.
- 01983 296592 East Cowes Community Pantry
- 07961 959003 Ventnor Community Pantry
- **01983 563732** Ryde Community Pantry
- 5 07300 329610 Newport Community Pantry
- 01983 248170 Pan Community Larder
- 101983 716020 Mobile Community Pantry

connect4communities

Supporting organisations to help Islanders. Includes food vouchers, energy efficient appliances, garden items, clothing for school children and more.

www.connect4communities.org



Warm Welcome Space

Find an Isle of Wight Warm Welcome Space.

www.iow.gov.uk/warmspaces

Benefits

Check whether you are getting all the benefits you can.

Citizens Advice Help to Claim line.

- 0800 144 8444
- www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators

Energy bills, energy efficiency and grants

- **01983 822282** The Footprint Trust
- www.footprint-trust.co.uk
- **07865 075832** Green Isle of Wight
- www.greeniow.org.uk

Pension Credit

If you are of State Pension age you may be entitled to Pension Credit. If you get Pension Credit you can get other benefits.

- **0800 99 1234** or Textphone on **0800 169 0133**
- www.gov.uk/pension-credit

Paying for broadband and mobile phone

Social tariffs are available if you're on a low income.

www.ofcom.org.uk/cheap-broadband

Feeling lonely

The Living Well and Early Help Partnership works on the Island to connect people.

- 01983 240732
- www.lweh.org.uk

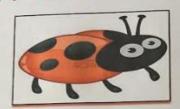
In a crisis

If you have no money for food, gas and electricity you may be able to get emergency help.

- 01983 823859
- www.iow.gov.uk/HelpThroughCrisis

Other useful contacts

- www.helpforhouseholds.gov.uk
- www.islefindit.org.uk



BEETLE DRIVE

Saturday 9th March 2024

7.00 PM

AT CALBOURNE RECREATION CENTRE

IN AID PROSTATE CANCER UK

ENTRY: £8.00 PER ADULT/£4.00 PER CHILD TO INCLUDE HOT DOG and probably cake!

Please phone Debs on 07876887678 or send a message to book your place

CASH BAR OPEN.

RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

Burgers, Chips and Quiz Fundraising Night At the Sun Inn, Calbourne

In aid of Daisy Chains Childrens Charity



Daisy Chains IW helps children who have been diagnosed with a life limiting illness or any long-term health condition or disability to include Prem babies www.daisychainsiw.wix.com

SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024 7PM

PRICE IS £10 PER PERSON

to include a burger, chips and the quiz. If you want to add cheese, bacon etc. you can order on the night at pub prices.

If you would like to come along please book with the pub on 722711.

Donation of raffle prizes would be gratefully received on the night.

Thank you for your support of such a wonderful Isle of Wight Charity.



Free

Sunday 25th Feb 10am-4pm (Last admission 3pm)

Dinosaur Isle Museum Fun Day

Lots of exciting activities and exhibitions

Portsmouth City Museum Face Painting New finds from local fossil collectors Isle of Wight Bus Museum with vintage

Dinosaur Roar! competition **IOW Donkey Sanctuary** Isle of Wight Heritage service Isle of Wight Metal Detecting Club Arc Consulting Debbie Webb with Stevie Stegg Foxwell Forensics Villages in Bloom SW Railway Dinosaur Day Refreshments & much more

