



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's attendance should be at least 95%.

How do YOU measure up?

Attendance	Days Absent	Weeks Absent	Lessons Missed
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%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	290 Lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

89% & Below
Drastic effect on
academic achievement

95%-90%
Cause for
concern

100%-96%
Excellent



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

94.56%

Attendance This Year

93.55%

Important Information

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 12th May – Walk the Wight
 Monday 13th May – SATS week starts for Ocean Class
 Wednesday 15th May – Community Connector Drop in with Adam Tucker 9am-12pm
 Friday 17th May – Ocean Class to Paultons Park
 Friday 17th May – River Class Sharing Assembly
 Tuesday 21st May – River Class to County Show
 Wednesday 22nd May – Parent Forum
 Thursday 23rd May – Last day before half term
 Friday 24th May – Development day
 Monday 3rd June – Return to School

Menu for the week ahead

Week 2

Monday – Cheese and Tomato Pizza or Vegetarian Bolognese

Chocolate Cookie

Tuesday – Beef Bolognese or Veggie Burrito

Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice

Wednesday – Roast Chicken or Quorn Roast

Orange Jelly

Thursday – Butter Chicken Curry or Macaroni Cheese

Chocolate Shortbread and Fruit

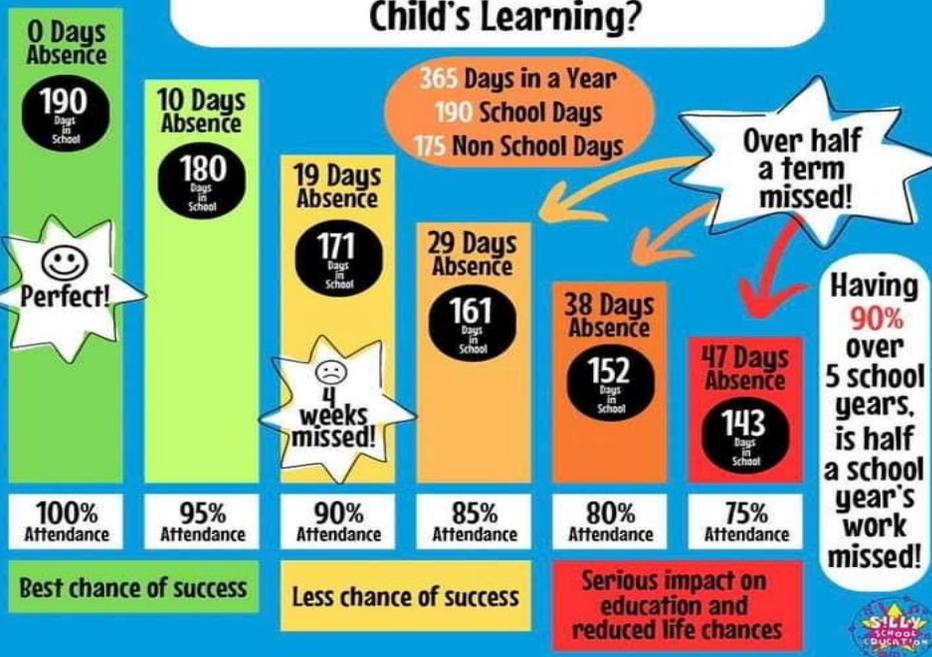
Friday – Southern Fried Chicken or Veggie Fingers

Orange Drizzle

Jacket potatoes and pasta are available every day.

Baguettes are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?



'Arise and Shine for your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you'

Isaiah 60:1

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:

Respect

- 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

Resilience

- 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?

Relationships

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.

In situations ask yourself and others...

- 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...

We are open

We ask questions

We are honest

We speak up

We listen

We respect privacy

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.

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Randonee

Thank you so much for all the wonderful cake donations we received for the Randonee. The day was brilliant despite the rain and we've made £2150 in profit.

This wouldn't be possible without all the volunteers. We had governors, teachers, parents and grandparents who gave up their time for free, so a big thank you to you all!

Also wonderful news, we have been awarded a £1000 grant from Tesco to purchase benches and outdoor seating for the children to enjoy their lunch on in nice weather. A huge thank you to Tesco and to everyone for voting for us with their blue tokens!

Thank you

PTA Team

Development Day

Our final development day will be on Friday 24th May.

The school will be closed on this day.

Mr Westhorpe's joke of the week

I've got a couple of sock puppets for sale..... anyone interested in taking them off my hands?

Second hand uniform rail

Our second hand uniform rail is now up and running. The rail will be displayed in the foyer each day.

Each item will be 50p. All monies will be put towards school resources.

Please come to the office to pay for an item. Please have the correct amount.

If you would like to donate any uniform that your child has grown out of and is in good condition, please hand it in to the school office.

Parent Forum

Please come along to our parent forum on Wednesday 22nd May at 1.45pm

Mrs Grainger would love as many parents to join her. She will be offering tea, coffee and even Jammie Dodgers!!!

We have had an increasing number of parents who arrive at school to speak to a member of staff without an appointment. This inevitably causes some upset if the member of staff is unavailable due to other commitments.

To avoid this, please call school ahead of any visit to arrange a meeting. Our inclusion team have multiple meetings and commitments every day; whilst they always do their level best to accommodate you, they do need advance notice of any visits or meetings.

Outdoor Learning Video

Please find attached the link for our Outdoor Learning Spring Video

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLK2HeVwRf-q675w0_XwEqONoamNcyY4M9



LAST WEEK'S GOLD AWARD WINNERS WERE:

Beach Class: Jason, Thea Co, Albie, Theos, Kitty, Orin and Tarique

Cove Class: Tyler and Isambard

Bay Class: Whole Class, Charlie, NK, Layla T and Jack

River Class: Whole Class and Abel

Coast Class: The Whole Class

Solent Class: Eli, James and Ellie-Mae

Ocean Class: Olivia, Kai and Joey



**Class Attendance
last week**

Well done to

Coast Class

for achieving

97.20%

attendance last
week.



Birthdays

5th May – 12th May

George

**Happy birthday to
you!**

**Outdoor learning
Golden Welly**

Well done to **Freddie**
G for winning the
Outdoor Learning
Golden Welly last
week.

**Keep up the great
work!**



Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 12

Lifeboat - 19

Needles - 15

Lighthouse - 28

Well done to
Lighthouse for
collecting the
most tokens this
week!

Little Stars Pre School

It's been exciting learning all about different habitats this week. There was a lot of excitement when one of the children had a badger in their garden & they managed to capture it on CCTV for us to see! Also, we got to have a close up look at a nest which had been abandoned. When looking at the nest the children were shocked to see how some plastic had been woven through with the sticks, this led to some great conversations about what we should do with our rubbish; recycling; and ways to care for our planet!

We are hoping to get some more litter pickers & see if we can collect any rubbish to help look after the local wildlife. With wildlife & habitats seeming to be something the children are interested in at the moment, we made telescopes & went for a walk to look for signs of wildlife. We found a badger set, fox's den, rabbit burrows, what looked like a woodpecker hole, footprints of various sizes and some beautiful trees & flowers.

Other things we have been up to include: mixing up & exploring gloop, cleaning with sponges & bubbles, bean bags & hoops in the hall, smashing & grinding chalks & making them into Chalk paints.... who knew chalks could be so strong! Hammers, chisels, bricks were no match for the chalk's ha ha!



SET SAIL TO RIVERFEST

THE QUAY • NEWPORT • ISLE OF WIGHT

SATURDAY
11TH MAY 2024
10:00 - 17:00

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE (TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE)

- 10:00** - OPEN WITH WALKING PARADE AND VECTIS CORP OF DRUMS
Parade starts at St Thomas' Square at 09:50 - Arrives at The Quay for 10:00.
- 10:30** - HUXLEY MAGIC **MAIN STAGE**
Award-winning Magic and Comedy by the notorious Huxley!
- 11:00** - MEDINA MARCHING BAND
A fun and inclusive marching band for people ages 8 years + and all abilities.
- 11:30** - FLASH KIRBY **MAIN STAGE**
Entertainer and singer.
- 12:00** - EMILIA **MAIN STAGE**
Singer-songwriter from the Island.
- 12:30** - GEMMA HUNT SWASHBUCKLE SHOW **MAIN STAGE**
One of CBS's most popular shows, aimed at interacting with young children.
- 13:15** - FAT SAMBA BAND
Based in Freshwater and Totland (FAT), with members from all over the Isle of Wight.
- 13:45** - ALL HINDE **MAIN STAGE**
Fitness Dancer
- 14:00** - ASPIRE CREATIVE HUB STAGE TAKEOVER **MAIN STAGE**
A community platform for people to express their creativity.
- 17:00** - CLOSE
A raffle will be called shortly before Riverfest closes.

Any changes to the schedule should be announced on our Facebook page [facebook.com/riverfestw](https://www.facebook.com/riverfestw)

FEATURING
GEMMA HUNT
FROM
BBC

Swashbuckle

Riverfest is a fun free community event which takes place every May in the heart of the Isle of Wight in Newport, the Island's capital.

The event has all the feel of a traditional village fête, on a larger scale, with many activities aimed at the whole family.

SOME OF THE THINGS TO EXPECT:

- BOUNCY CASTLES - ARTS & CRAFTS - STALLS
- FACE PAINTING - EMERGENCY SERVICES
- DEMONSTRATIONS - FAIRGROUND RIDES
- FOOD & DRINK - LIVE MUSIC - PLAZA ICE
- SHOOTING GALLERY - WOLFGUARD VIKINGS
- VECTIS CORPS OF DRUMS MARCHING BAND
- MEDINA MARCHING BAND - FAT SAMBA
- DANCERS & PERFORMERS - MAGIC SHOWS
- 200 YEARS OF THE RNLI - BBC'S GEMMA HUNT
- ROCK CLIMBING WALL - TRACTORS & BIKES
- EAZI BAR - RAFFLE - TOMBOLA - PIRATE STALL

AND SO MUCH MORE!

NOMINATED
Best Island Event

ISLE OF WIGHT

[RIVERFEST.ORG.UK/VOTE](https://www.riverfest.org.uk/vote)

THERE IS NO PARKING AT RIVERFEST BUT THERE ARE MANY OF NEARBY CAR PARKS

FUN & FREE FAMILY EVENT

BROUGHT TO YOU BY
NEWPORT CARNIVAL

SUPPORTED BY Newport & Christchurch Community Council, Cherry Godfrey, BPO F&A

[RIVERFEST.ORG.UK](https://www.riverfest.org.uk)

Schools Walk the Wight with **Mountbatten**



Isle of Wight Awards 2023
GOLD AWARD
BEST ISLAND EVENT

Sunday, 12 May 2024

Register now: [mountbatten.org.uk/swtw](https://www.mountbatten.org.uk/swtw)

MAIN STAGE
12:30

ARTS
JAYDENE LEE
PRESENTS...



CONTEMPORARY DANCE • AERIAL SILKS SHOW

SUNDAY 30TH JUNE | 2PM

MEDINA THEATRE

(Tickets can be purchased via the Medina Theatre website)

Chillerton & Gatcombe Community Association

SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2024

Saturday 25th May to Saturday 1st June inc

A Scarecrow location map will be available from The Gallybagger Inn & Village Hall (When open)

There will be a people's vote for the best Scarecrow, Lots to choose from!!!!



Aunt Sally's Tea-Room (Village Hall) Will be open daily from 11am-4pm Serving Teas, Coffees, Cold drinks and delicious homemade cakes.

The Gallybagger Inn Will be open with live music from 12-4pm Sat 25th, Sun 26th May & Sat 1st June. With a live band both Saturday evenings 8-10pm

