



Shalfleet C.E. Primary

The purpose of the Federation of the Church Schools of Shalfleet, Freshwater 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

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RESPECT • RESILIENCE • RELATIONSHIPS

Letters Home

- Year 1 – Trip to Owl and Monkey Haven

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 Last Week

95%

Attendance This Year

94%



- **Important Information**

Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 6th March** – Year 3 Trip Dinosaur Isle
- Thursday 6th March** – World Book Day
- Friday 7th March** – Year 6 Sharing Worship
- Thursday 20th March** - Year 1 Trip to Owl & Monkey Haven
- Friday 21st March** – Year 5 Sharing Worship
- Friday 21st March** – Comic Relief (more details to follow)
- Friday 4th April** – Easter Service

Development Days

Monday 2nd June
Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th July

School we will be closed on these days



In the Community

Federation Mission Statement and Values

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

Respect

Resilience

Relationships

Together for a Brighter Future

Lost Property

Please could parents/ carers ensure all clothing is clearly labelled.

We have a growing amount of lost property without names, if you think this could be yours please pop into the school office to have a look.

Many thanks

'I can do all things through him who strengthens me'

Philippians 4:13

Gold Awards

Reception Class – Koa, Rowan
Year 1 – Lillian, Toby, Oscar
Year 2 – Priscilla, Max, Sophie
Year 3 – Whole Class
Year 4 – Doris, Igor, Layla
Year 5 – Charlie, Enzo, Larry, Fran D, William, Baxter
Year 6 – Whole Class

Well done to our Gold Award winners.



Birthdays

1st - 7th March

Lilly-Mae Mipo

Happy birthday to you!

Outdoor learning Golden Wellie

Golden Welly

Will continue next week

Keep up the great work!



Sports Tokens

This week's sports token totals are:

Lighthouse – 18

Needles – 22

Lifeboat – 19

Osbourne – 16

Well Done everyone!

Our Mission Statement

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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 leave them alone
- Ask yourself these questions about your actions or the actions of others...
 - Why do I 'they' feel this way?
 - Are I 'they' handle that situation in the best possible way?
 - What could I 'they' do to improve the situation?
 - Are I 'they' do the best I 'they' can do?
 - 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.

Dear Parents/Carers,

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 support/pastoral staff 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.

We also understand that sometimes emergencies happen that can delay you from collecting your child at the end of their school day.

If this should occur, we ask that you contact the school office as soon as possible to inform us of your delay. Children not collected by 3.30pm will be taken to Little Explorers After School Club.

Please note that if your child is taken to our after-school club, there will be a charge applied for the care of your child from 3.30pm and until you collect.

Many thanks for your help and understanding.

Chartwells

From the 4th September the Chartwell school lunches will increase as follows:

Child's meal £2.97 (for key-stage 2 – Years 3,4,5,6)

We are a Nut Free School

Please can we remind you that we are a nut free school.

Please do not give your child's any nut containing products for their snack or their lunch box. This includes Nutella or any other chocolate nut spreads and Kinder Bueno bars.

Asda are currently running their Cashpots for School scheme, whereby spending in store or online converts to a cash pot for school.

If you are happy to join the scheme (there are no costs attached), you can join via the app and help to build a spending pot for school.

Here is a link below if you need any further information.

<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

'Housing Needs Survey'

Please see link for 'Housing Needs Survey' in the West Wight.

<https://form.jotform.com/250013066236344>

SAVE THE DATES!

We have secured some sessions with the Mental Health Support Team to support you in supporting your child / children with anxiety, how this manifests or presents and strategies to support your child with their anxiety and in attending school.

Introduction to Child Anxiety

Monday 10th March @9am - 10.30am

Monday 17th March @9am - 10.30am

At Freshwater & Yarmouth CE Primary School due to availability of onsite parking. Open to all parents across the federation.

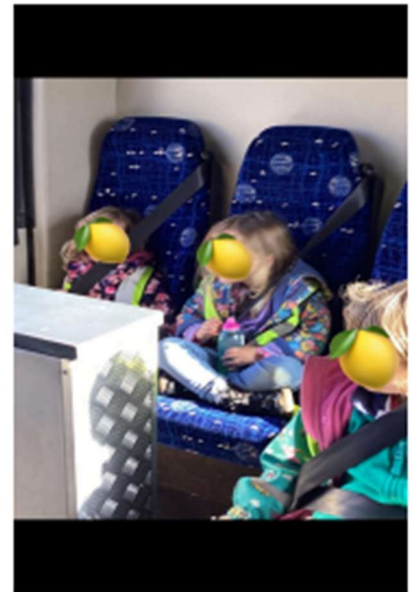
Please contact the school office shalfleet@fosay.co.uk if you would like to book a space.

Wise Owls Weekly Round Up!
Monday 24th - Friday 28th February 2025

This week was an especially fun, exciting and learning packed week with us in the Wise Owls Room at Little Explorers, we had a very exciting trip to Amazon world! The children had been chatting about it all week. The fun began by everybody boarding onto the coach to make our way there, which everybody was full of excitement about, because we love any sort of transport! We broadened our understanding of the world by talking about the safety of sitting on the coach as well as seeing the world around us out the windows, spotting various colours, shapes and even animals in the fields!

Whilst at Amazon world we enjoyed talking about the different dinosaurs in the play park, practicing our risk and challenge on the play equipment! Shortly after we had our turn in the soft play, whizzing down the high slides, counting the balls in the pit and of course climbing up the soft play.

After we had lunch, we went to explore the animals. We started at the lemurs, parrots and Capybaras. We chatted about their beautiful colours and the noises they made, as well as what their names were too! We had a look at the lovely flamingos and the wallabies then made our way through the birds, the very exciting crocodile, the tortoises and the sloths. We explained the sloths are nocturnal animals and like it in the dark, it was then time to get back onto the bus. Everybody was very tired and a few children nodded off, time flies when you are having fun! The children were superstars on our trip and it was a brilliant day.



Curious Squirrel's Weekly Round Up!


We have had a wonderful time in the sunshine this week! The children had a lovely time exploring the trim trail area on Friday, they developed their gross motor skills as they got busy balancing on beams, climbing and running. We all had a glorious time in the sunshine, playing and laughing together and it was great to see the children demonstrating fantastic listening skills too, as they held hands with their friends to walk to and from preschool beautifully!

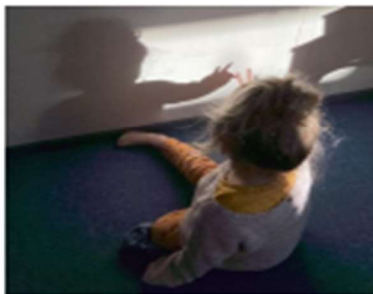
The sun has been beaming through our windows each morning and the children have started to recognise the big patch of sun on the wall. We have been chatting together a little bit about shadows and the children have had lots of fun experimenting and exploring different movements that they can do with their hands and bodies to create funny looking shadows, one child even told us that she had made a snail with her fingers!

It has been a very tower-heavy week this week as the children have had loads of fun building towers using a variety of items such as sensory blocks, heuristic resources and duplo. Duplo towers have been turned into pretend, rainbow lollies which have encouraged fab conversations about colours of the rainbow as well as lots of chatting about trips that the children have been on with their families to get ice creams and lollies from the shop or the ice cream van!

On Thursday, we had a great time in the garden playing in our wooden house! The practitioners were lucky enough to be invited into the playhouse by one of the children who was busy pretending that she had been painting and decorating the house! She told us all about the rooms that were upstairs, asked us if we would like a drink and she was also kind enough to invite some of her friends into her lovely house too. Great role playing!

Some other activities that we enjoyed this week include... heuristic resource exploration and sensory, hand painting!

Another lovely week had by all! Well done everybody 



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We've got a few questions!



The Anglican churches of the West Wight Benefice are thinking about our local churches and communities. We are keen to hear your views which will help us shape the role of the church in your community.

You can access the questionnaire by using the QR Code below or contacting fytparishes@gmail.com for the link. Paper copies are available in your local church.

Please complete by the 30th March 2025



Thank you for taking part in our survey

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