



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

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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

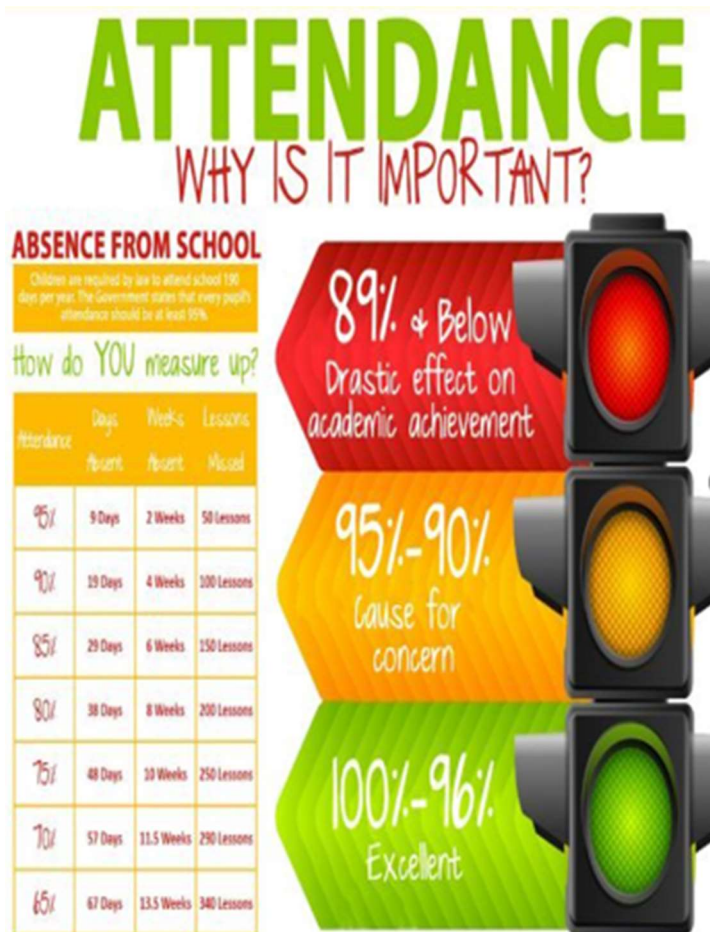
100%

Attendance Last Week

94%

Attendance This Year

95%



- **Important Information**

Dates for your Diary

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

‘We wait in hope for the Lord, he is our help and our shield’

Psalm 33:20

Gold Awards

Reception Class – Lola, Rory
Year 1 – Skyla, Poppy P, Skyla
Year 2 – Tianna, Hugo, Abbey
Year 3 – Olivia, Sonny, Logan
Year 4 – Charlie, Oscar
Year 5 – Ray, Margot
Year 6 – Edith, Emilia, James, Penny, Fred, Lucy

Well done to our Gold Award winners.



Birthdays

8th – 14th March

Ashleigh Joshua H

Happy birthday to you!

Outdoor learning Golden Wellie

Golden Welly

Myles

Keep up the great work!



Sports Tokens

This week's sports token totals are:

Lighthouse – 23

Needles – 21

Lifeboat – 20

Osbourne – 22

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	Resilience	Relationships
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Celebrate your skills and talentsRecognise what makes you greatBe proud of what you achieveCelebrate other people's skills and talentsRecognise what makes other people greatBe proud of what other people achieve	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Making mistakes are greatIt's how we growIt is important we always respect them and leave them aloneAsk yourself these questions about your actions or the actions of others...<ul style="list-style-type: none">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 could?What can we learn from this situation?How can we move forward positively?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">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...<ul style="list-style-type: none">What is my/their point of view?What are my/their reasons?How are 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
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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.

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 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.

**FACE**
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Spring 2025
Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK
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Schools can now buy a
FACE School Annual Membership
which means **ALL** parents and **ALL** staff
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Thursday
24th April
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



Responding to Angry Behaviour
What can we do in the moment?

Tuesday
18th March
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Anxiety Explained
Anxiety, especially in our young is rising.
This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

Thursday
3rd April
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD
Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
3rd April
19:00 - 20:30
£24



Improving Family Communication
How to reduce the shouting and arguing and start the talking.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Wise Owls Weekly Round Up!
Monday 3rd March - Friday 7th March 2025

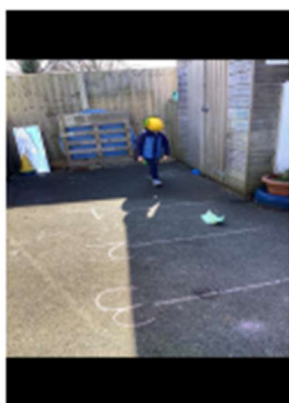
Wow, what a busy, fun filled, educational week we have had here in the Wise Owls room at Little Explorers! We kicked off our week by playing in the garden, one of the children had mentioned they had seen/heard an owl, so we got stuck into making some paper aeroplane owls, we added numbers onto the tarmac so we could see what our owls got to, counting from one to ten! An easy, great way to add some mathematics into our play as well as learning about animals that are in our country as well as talking about animals around the world.

This week it has been pancake day, which the children were full to the brim of excitement about! We enjoyed promoting physical exercise and healthy living by participating in pancake races!

The children absolutely loved this and we followed it up by reading a lovely book, which encouraged the children to use their literacy skills, listening skills and their imagination to guess "what do you think might happen next?". The book we read was 'Mr Wolf's Pancakes' which the children thoroughly enjoyed. We then washed our hands with soap and water and sat down to tuck into some lovely scotch pancakes, the children independently chose their toppings on their pancakes and we all thought they were absolutely delicious! We chatted together about 'Shrove Tuesday' and how it is celebrated the day before lent - to help use up certain ingredients before fasting!

Lastly, we enjoyed celebrating 'World Book Day' on Thursday, we enjoyed dressing up as our favourite book characters everyday!

Throughout the rest of the week we have enjoyed an array of messy play, building and crafting such as, pancake day plates, making farms, circle time activities, what's the time MR Wolf, pirate ship play, scissor skills, pancake cutting, and much much more! We look forward to another learning rich week next week!



Curious Squirrel's Weekly Round Up!

What a busy week it has been this week in the Curious Squirrel's room!

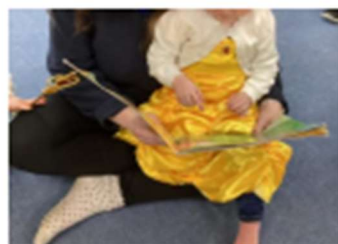
We were very impressed throughout the week with some of the lovely costumes that the children wore to the setting for World Book Day! To celebrate World Book Day further, on Thursday afternoon, a couple of the children were very excited to take part in a real bear hunt, just like our current favourite story 'We're going on a bear hunt'. Together, we read through the story whilst traipsing and wading our way through grass, a river, mud, a forest and a snowstorm to reach the bear in the cave at the end! We had a great time together and had a real giggle as the children ran back home to be safe and sound away from the bear! We also spoke about the possibility that the bear may have been a very kind and friendly bear and that it may have just wanted to be friends with the children who were on the bear hunt.

Recently, lots of our children have been absolutely loving tower building using duplo and sensory blocks inside! This week we set up a tray outside with some larger scale, wooden blocks. The children had a fantastic time figuring out how to get the different sized and shaped blocks to balance on one another to create a tower. Each time that the tower wobbled and wobbled and fell to the ground, the children would remind each other to 'try again'. Well done everybody!

As always, a variety of books have become very popular this week, one of them being 'there's a dragon on my doorstep'... one child enjoyed sharing this story with several grown-ups throughout the day, pointing out each animal that they could spot in the background of the book and recognising which colour they were and whereabouts they were hiding!

Some other fun things that the children have enjoyed this week include; sliding down the slide in the garden and creating lovely little farms using our basket of small world animals!

What a lovely week we had! Well done everyone! 💙








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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



Rev Jackie Maw
Team Rector
West Wight Benefice.