



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 for Last week

95.35%

Attendance This Year

95.35%

Important Information

Dates for your Diary

Friday 28th November – Coast Class to Harry Potter World

Friday 28th November – River Class Sharing Assembly

Thursday 4th December – Beach Class to the Christmas Tree Festival at All Saints Church

Friday 5th December – Ocean Class to Sea City Museum

Thursday 11th December – EYFS Nativity Performances

Friday 12th December – Christingle Service

Tuesday 16th December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Fair – More details to follow

Friday 19th December – Christmas Worship

Friday 19th December – Last day before we finish for the Christmas Holidays

Monday 5th January – Return to School for the new term

Menu for the week ahead

Week 1

Monday – Cheese and Tomato Pizza or BBQ Vegetable Wrap

Crunchy Apple Slice

Tuesday – Beef Bolognese or Vegetarian Bolognese

Strawberry Shortcake Mousse

Wednesday – Roast Pork or Roast Quorn
Apple Crumble

Thursday – Chinese Sticky Lemon Chicken or Cheesy Vegetable hotpot

Chocolate Ice Cream

Friday – Fish Fingers or Quorn Dippers

Oat Cookie

Jacket potatoes and pasta are available every day.

Baguettes are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Christmas is coming!

Please refer to your Arbor app for the emailed Christmas Flyer sent to all primary carers on 19th November 2025

This will give you all the Christmas dates that you need!

Development Days

Monday 1st September 2025

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

To be confirmed

To be confirmed

Monday 27th July 2026

Christmas countdown!

How many weeks until Christmas Day?

5 Weeks!



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	Resilience	Relationships
- 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	- 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?	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...

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

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.

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

Our Christmas dinner will be on Tuesday 16th December. If you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner, please book in via Arbor before Friday 5th December. We will not be able to take anymore bookings after this date.

There will be no option of jacket potato or pasta on this day. Please provide your child with a packed lunch if they are not having the main meal.

Also, your child may come to school in a Christmas Jumper on this day.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who took part in Children in Need.

We raised £124.67

Well done!



Mr Westhrope's Golden Boot Award

Well done to **Nora** for great focus and listening within P.E



Christmas Holidays

School will finish on Friday 19th December at 1.30pm for the Christmas holidays.

School will return on Monday 5th January 2026

The Lord is on my side; I will not fear.

-Psalm 118:6

Mr Westhorpe's joke of the week

How does a penguin build its house?

Igloos it together!

Outdoor learning Golden Wellie Award

The Golden Wellie Award goes to

Jason

Well done Jason!





Gold Awards for last week were:

Beach Class: Harry, Rex, Aurora and Peter

Cove Class: Elaina, Norah, Reggie and Archie

Bay Class: Hadley, Theos and Olivia

River Class: Ida, Leo and Herbie

Coast Class: The Whole Class

Solent Class: Abel, Ronan, Lily and Arya

Ocean Class: Lily B, Olivia and Kaiden



Class Attendance last week

Well done to **Cove Class**
for receiving **98.89%**
attendance for last week.

Well done everyone!



Birthdays

17th Nov – 23rd Nov

Amelia

Ava B

Archie B

Margot

Happy birthday to you!

Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 42

Lifeboat - 32

Needles - 29

Lighthouse - 35

Well done to **Osbourne**
for collecting the most
tokens this week.

Well done!

School Details

Email – yarmouth@fosay.co.uk

Phone – 01983 7603456

Website – fosay.co.uk



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Online Workshops

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- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

13 NOV

09:30

Responding to a draft EHCP

If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft

18 NOV

10:00

Appeals to SEND Tribunal

A step-by-step guide through the appeals process

21 NOV

10:00

Ordinarily Available Provision and SEN Support

Looking at support available for those who do not have an EHCP

24 NOV

13:00

Considering an EHC Plan?

Independent and impartial information to guide you through the process

25 NOV

10:00

Responding to a draft EHCP

If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft

26 NOV

12:30

Alternative Provision

What constitutes a suitable education in relation to section 19 of the education act

www.iowsendiass.org.uk/workshops

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

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

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

24 APPS PARENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT

This list is not exhaustive, and will be updated each year to reflect new risks and dangers

THESE APPS CAN EASILY BE USED AS GROOMING TOOLS BY ONLINE PREDATORS LOOKING TO MEET UP & SEXUALLY ABUSE CHILDREN. (UPDATED 2021)



FACEBOOK



FACEBOOK allows you to connect with others and share comments, photos and videos. You can add friends, write on people's pages and posts, join groups and play games.

SNAPCHAT



SNAPCHAT is one of the most popular apps in recent years. Whilst the app promises that photo's, videos and stories disappear, others can take screenshots of private photo's.

INSTAGRAM



INSTAGRAM Kids are creating fake accounts to hide content from their parents, according to police. Messages are also deleted once a user leaves a conversation.

WHATSAPP



WHATSAPP allows you to send messages, images and videos in 121 and group chats with your contacts. You can choose to share your live location for up to eight hours with one contact or a group.

KIDSCAT



KIDSCAT.NET is a free online messaging app for children. You can talk to people you don't know on public forums and via private message. You can access the site as a guest.

SKYPE



SKYPE is a platform and app that lets you make audio and video calls to other people around the world. You can also send instant messages.

WHISPER



WHISPER is an anonymous social media app that promotes sharing personal secrets with strangers. (new people). It reveals a users location so people can meet up

CALCULATOR %



CALCULATOR % is only one of SEVERAL social media apps disguised as a calculator, the app is actually a secret photo vault to hide photos, videos, files and browser history.

HOT ON NOT



HOT ON NOT Strangers rate a user's 'attractiveness' with the aim of real-world meet ups in your local area.

ASK.FM



ASK.FM An app where users can anonymously ask questions and receive answers. The app has been featured in a number of cyber bullying cases.

YUBO



YUBO Similar to Tinder, the app is designed to allow teens to flirt with each other.

KIK MESSAGING Kik



KIK MESSAGING Kik is a messaging app that allows content normally filtered on a home computer.

BURN BOOK



BURN BOOK Anonymous rumours can be posted about people through audio messages, texts and photos.

WISHBONE



WISHBONE This app allows users to compare kids and rate them on a scale.

GRINDR



GRINDR is a dating app geared towards gay, bisexual and transgender people. The app allows people to chat, share and meet up in person based on a GPS location.

SKOUT



SKOUT is a location based dating app and website. Whilst people under 17 are unable to share private photo's, Children can easily create fake accounts.

MEET ME



MEET ME is a dating social media app that allows users to connect with people based on geographic proximity. The app encourages people to meet in person.

TIK TOK



TIK TOK is one of the most popular apps in recent years used for sharing short videos with very limited privacy controls users are vulnerable to explicit material.

TELLOYMN



TELLOYMN anonymous messenger app. It calls itself "the most honest place on the internet." Age controls are inconsistent and sexual explicit material can be found.

Zoomerang



Zoomerang is a popular app that looks like a harmless messaging app however it allows private anonymous messaging and is location enabled.

BUMBLE



BUMBLE is a location based dating app and website. Whilst people under 17 are unable to share private photo's, Children can easily create fake accounts

FACEBOOK MESSENGER



FACEBOOK MESSENGER is one of the most popular message apps in the world. It has already heavily been used by predators and the end-to end encryption will make it even more unsafe.

BAD00



BAD00 is a location based dating app and website. Whilst people under 17 are unable to share private photo's, Children can easily create fake accounts.

OMEGLE



OMEGLE is a video chat website where users are matched randomly with strangers.

#CHILDABUSEHELP
CHILD ABUSE RESOURCES
WWW.CHILDABUSEHELP.ORG.UK

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0800 800 5000

NNECA
NATIONAL NETWORK TO END CHILD ABUSE
WWW.NNECA.ORG.UK



Christmas Drive-in Cinema 2025

Robin Hill Country Park

Friday 12 December	Saturday 13 December	Sunday 14 December
The Muppet Christmas Carol 6:30pm	Elf Midday Home Alone 3pm	The Polar Express Midday How The Grinch Stole Christmas 3pm
Die Hard 9pm	Love Actually 7pm	The Holiday 7pm

Book now



Scan the QR code or visit:

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Screenings subject to film licences and weather



MEDINA MARCHING BAND PRESENTS

NOT SO A SILENT NIGHT VOL. 4 CONCERT

TICKETS £10 PER PERSON*

2025

7:30 pm Friday | 5th December | Christ the King College Wellington Road
Newport PO30 5QT
Ticket Available at £10* per person

To book...

Visit our website www.medinamarchingband.co.uk
Call 07837 792 518
Or Email medinamarchingband@gmail.com
Buy tickets on the door
*subject to online booking fee

ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING

ALL COURSES ARE FOR ADULTS 19+



For further information or to book a place on any /all of these sessions please contact:

info@thecrossley.co.uk or text 07977 041 539

90 Minutes to Family Calm Series

Join our **FREE** (fully funded) online classes! – **Join one or join them all....**



BRAIN TRAINING FOR CALM

– 4th November

TAMING THE EMOTIONS MONSTER

– 11th November

SENSIBLE ABOUT OUR SENSES

– 18th November

BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM & CONFIDENCE

– 25th November

RELAXING OUR KIDS

– 2nd December



Autumn Term 2025

Tuesday evenings

6:00-7:30PM

Booking & enrolment required to secure a place on any or all these sessions.

*enrolment required **just once** (for any number of sessions) per academic year



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ISLE DREAM OF A WIGHT CHRISTMAS FAYRE

30th November 2025

11 am - 4 pm

Medina Leisure Centre

- Over 70 stalls
- Santa Visit
- FREE Parking
- & More!



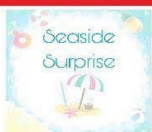
Raising Money for
AIM

Autism Inclusion Matters

Santa includes a good quality gift £6.50 per child.

Booking is advised via our FB Page or Email to
Isledreamofawightchristmas@hotmail.com

Cinnamon



CHRISTMAS FOOD AND FUN

10am-2pm last entry 11am
Monday 22nd/Tuesday 23rd December
Monday 29th/Tuesday 30th December

IT'S A FREE ACTIVITY FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO
YEAR 6 WHO ARE ENTITLED TO FREE
SCHOOL MEALS.
PARENTS MUST BE WITH THERE CHILD/CHILDREN DURING
WHOLE SESSION

SLIME

SAND ART

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE FOR THE FREE EVENT
PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO

PARTY

CRAFTS

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Merry Christmas!

December Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Decreasing Depression	1 DEC 10am
Raising Self Esteem	1 DEC 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	2 DEC 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	2 DEC 7pm
Autism - Improving Communication	8 DEC 10am
Improving Family Communication	8 DEC 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	9 DEC 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	9 DEC 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	15 DEC 10am
Understanding Anger	15 DEC 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 DEC 10am
Facing Defiance	16 DEC 7pm

Join our Military Family Community

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust is creating a network to bring the Island's military children together for memory-making events.

Come join the adventure and help us build a community where everyone belongs!



Join the community today!
Scan the QR code to sign up or
email iownt.iwveterans@nhs.net

