



# Shalfleet C of 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.

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**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**

**95.6%**

**Attendance This Year**

**94.2%**

## Important Information

### Dates for your Diary

Friday 23rd January – Year 2 Sharing Worship

Thursday 22nd January – Year 5 Trip – Portsmouth BSO

Wednesday 28th January – Parent Forum TBC

Friday 30th January – Year 1 Sharing Worship

Tuesday 10th February – Pancake Races more details to follow

Friday 13th February – Year R Sharing Worship

Friday 6th March – Year 6 Sharing Worship

Friday 20th March – Year 5 Sharing Worship

Friday 27th March – Easter Service TBC

### 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**

### Happy New Year!

Wishing all our wonderful parents and carers a very happy  
New Year! Thank you for your continued support.

We hope your 2026 is filled with joy, memories, and special  
moments with your families.

*Happy New Year*  
**2026**

### Development Days

~~Monday 1st September 2025~~

~~Tuesday 2nd September 2025~~

~~Monday 5th January 2026~~

To be confirmed

~~Monday 27th July 2026~~

### Half term countdown!

How many weeks until half  
term? **4 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Celebrate your skills and talents</li><li>- Recognise what makes you great</li><li>- Be proud of what you achieve</li><li>- Celebrate other people's skills and talents</li><li>- Recognise what makes other people great</li><li>- Be proud of what other people achieve</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Making mistakes are great</li><li>- It's how we grow</li><li>- It is important we always respect them and learn from them</li><li>- Ask yourself these questions about your actions or the actions of others...<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Why do I/they feel this way?</li><li>- Did I/they handle that situation in the best possible way?</li><li>- What could I/they do to improve the situation?</li><li>- Did I/they do the best I/they could?</li><li>- What can we learn from this situation?</li><li>- How can we move forward positively?</li></ul></li></ul>	<p>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.</p> <p>In situations ask yourself and others...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- What is my/their point of view?</li><li>- What are my/their reasons?</li><li>- How am I/they feeling?</li><li>- What am I/they bringing to this situation?</li></ul>

**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.

### After School Club

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 3.15pm will be taken to After School Club.

### Chartwells

**From the 3rd September the Chartwell school lunches will increase as follows:**

Child's meal £3.10 (for key-stage 2 – Years 3,4,5,6)

### Autumnal Weather

**Now the weather is starting to become more inclement, please can you make sure your child has a coat in school every day.**

**Also, please can you make sure your child has waterproofs / wellies in school on their forest school day.**

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!"

Isaiah 43:18-19

### **Outdoor learning Golden Wellie Award**

Golden welly award goes to Michael



### School Nurse Drop – In

Our School Nurse will be running a drop – in session on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 9 – 10am if you would like to book a slot please email : shalfleet@fosay.co.uk



## Gold Awards

Year R: Frederick S, Emilia

Year 1: Tiffany, Sirena

Year 2: Eliza, Grayson

Year 3: Freya, Orla, Olivia

Year 4: Sonny, Alfie P, Blake, William

Year 5: Mali, Eli, Oliver E, Evalyn

Year 6: Baxter, George



### Class Attendance last week

Well done to **Year 2** for receiving **96.1% attendance** for last week.

Well done everyone!



### Birthdays

4<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> January

William W

Mali

Archie J

Happy birthday to you!

### Sports Tokens

**Osbourne - 23**

**Lifeboat - 29**

**Needles - 25**

**Lighthouse - 20**

Well done!



## School Details

**Email** – shalfleet@fosay.co.uk

**Phone** – 01983 760269

**Website** – fosay.co.uk



## 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)**



<b>FACEBOOK</b>  <b>FACEBOOK</b> 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.	<b>SNAPCHAT</b>  <b>SNAPCHAT</b> 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.	<b>INSTAGRAM</b>  <b>INSTAGRAM</b> Kids are creating fake accounts to hide content from their parents, according to police. Messages are also deleted once a user leaves a conversation.
<b>WHATSAPP</b>  <b>WHATSAPP</b> 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.	<b>KIDSCHAT</b>  <b>KIDSCHAT.NET</b> 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.	<b>SKYPE</b>  <b>SKYPE</b> 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.
<b>WHISPER</b>  <b>WHISPER</b> 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	<b>CALCULATOR %</b>  <b>CALCULATOR %</b> 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.	<b>HOT ON NOT</b>  <b>HOT ON NOT</b> Strangers rate a user's 'attractiveness' with the aim of real-world meet ups in your local area.
<b>ASK.FM</b>  <b>ASK.FM</b> An app where users can anonymously ask questions and receive answers. The app has been featured in a number of cyber bullying cases.	<b>YUBO</b>  <b>YUBO</b> Similar to Tinder, the app is designed to allow teens to flirt with each other.	<b>KIK MESSAGING Kik</b>  <b>KIK MESSAGING Kik</b> is a messaging app that allows content normally filtered on a home computer.
<b>BURN BOOK</b>  <b>BURN BOOK</b> Anonymous rumours can be posted about people through audio messages, texts and photos.	<b>WISHBONE</b>  <b>WISHBONE</b> This app allows users to compare kids and rate them on a scale.	<b>GRINDR</b>  <b>GRINDR</b> 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 GPSS location.
<b>SKOUT</b>  <b>SKOUT</b> 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.	<b>MEET ME</b>  <b>MEET ME</b> 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.	<b>TIK TOK</b>  <b>TIK TOK</b> 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.
<b>TELLOYMN</b>  <b>TELLOYMN</b> anonymous messenger app. It calls itself "the most honest place on the internet." Age controls are inconsistent and sexual explicit material can be found.	<b>Zoomerang</b>  <b>Zoomerang</b> is a popular app that looks like a harmless messaging app however it allows private anonymous messaging and is location enabled.	<b>BUMBLE</b>  <b>BUMBLE</b> 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
<b>FACEBOOK MESSENGER</b>  <b>FACEBOOK MESSENGER</b> 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.	<b>BADOO</b>  <b>BADOO</b> 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.	<b>OMEGLE</b>  <b>OMEGLE</b> is a video chat website where users are matched randomly with strangers.

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

**NSPCC HELPLINE**  
0800 800 5000

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

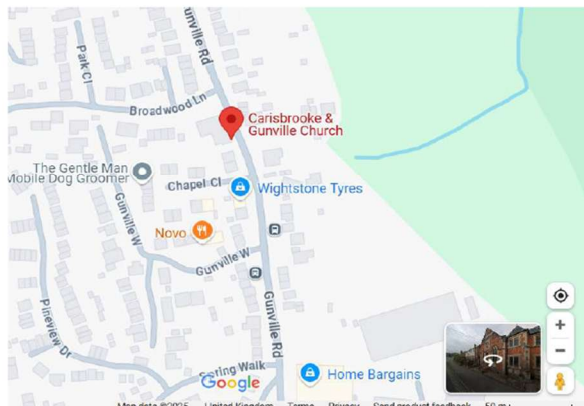




## Parent and Caregiver Peer Support Sessions

Where: Gunville Methodist Church Hall

When:



**11<sup>th</sup> September 2025 (10am - 12 noon)**

**6<sup>th</sup> November 2025 (10am - 12 noon)**

**15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (10am - 11am)**

**5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (10am - 12 noon)**

**7<sup>th</sup> May 2026 (10am - 12 noon)**

Come along to meet with other parents / caregivers for an informal meet up and chat about your neurodiversity journey. Refreshments provided. No need to book, just turn up.

Free onsite parking.

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