



Freshwater & Yarmouth C.E. Primary

<http://www.fosay.co.uk>

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.

Headteacher: Mrs. E Grainger

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. G Westhorpe

Attendance

Target – 100%

This week – 94.29%

This Year – 93.67%

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.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 23rd February – Back from Half Term Holiday

Wednesday 4th March – Year 2 Wildheart Sanctuary Trip

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Friday 6th March – Year 6 Sharing Worship

Friday 13th March – Year 4 Brading Roman Villa Trip

Monday 15th March – Mother's Day

Friday 20th March – Year 5 Sharing Worship

Kids Online Safety

The Department for Education has released a new kids online safety website as part of a government campaign to help keep children safe online.

<https://kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk/>

The website supports families and encourages regular conversations about what they're seeing online, asking simple questions, like "who shared this" and "why?". Based on parents' main concerns and needs, it provides:

- tips for parents' conversations with their children
- actions to support each stage of their child's life
 - parental controls information

It also signposts parents/carers to trusted resources from charities and third parties, where parents can access other forms of support (like speaking to an expert).

Menu for the week ahead

Week 2

Monday – Cheese and Tomato Pizza or Veggie Meat Feast Pizza

Chocolate Marble Cake

Tuesday – Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake or Macaroni Cheese

Apple Crumble

Wednesday – Roast Gammon or Vegetable Pastry Slice

Lemon Cookie

Thursday – BBQ Chicken or Spanish Vegetable Rice

Crunchy Chocolate Mousse

Friday – Fish Fingers or Quorn Dippers

Strawberry Jelly

Jacket potatoes and pasta are available every day.

Baguettes are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

School Details

Email – yarmouth@fosay.co.uk

Phone – 01983 7603456

Website – fosay.co.uk



"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love." – Ephesians 4:2

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.

Our 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.

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



RESPECT



RESILIENCE



RELATIONSHIPS

Holiday Club

We are pleased to say we will offer a Holiday Club during half terms.

- Please note that Holiday Club can only run if we have enough children to make it financially viable.
- The cost will be £5 per hour until April, when this will also be reviewed.

If you would like to register for Holiday Club please ask for the forms from the Primary School Office and return them to the Little Stars Reception when complete.



Gold Awards for last week were:



 Beach Class: Nico, Skylah Lee, Harry, Roman, Harlow, Haizel, and Alice

 Cove Class: Talliah, Thomas, William, and Elaina

 Bay Class: Amelia, Thea C, Finn-Lee, Tarique, and Albie

 River Class: Oliver, Athena, and Renat

 Coast Class: Nana Kojo and Bonnie

 Solent Class: Ava, Freddie, Paddy, and Ronan

 Ocean Class: Talliss, Kaiden, and Lily B



Mr Westhorpe's Golden Boot Award

Well done to **Leif** for showing so much resilience during PE and always trying his best!



Outdoor learning Golden Wellie Award

Golden welly award goes to **Shalfleet** this week.



📅 Class Attendance last week

Well done to

🌀 Bay Class 🌀

for receiving 99.31% attendance for last week.

Well done everyone!



🎂 Birthdays

16th – 27th Feb 2026

Ada H

Keira M

Marshall S

Freddie G

Bonnie T

Poppy R

Gia W

🏆 Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 8

Lifeboat - 38

Needles - 24

Lighthouse - 3

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

Well done!

🚫 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.

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THE ISLAND'S GOT

Talent



East Cowes Town Hall

Sunday 1st March 2026 | Time TBC

Applications & Ticket Details available at www.cowesfringe.com



The Federation of the Church Schools of Shalfleet and Freshwater & Yarmouth

Together for a Brighter Future

23rd February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wanted to write to you as the Governing Body and share some of the latest developments across our school community. We are continually encouraged by the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our children, and the strong partnership we enjoy with our families.

We are delighted to celebrate the newly expanded Little Stars Preschool, which sits alongside our established Little Explorers provision. Both settings are superbly led by Sadie Gooding and Lucy Millar, whose leadership continues to strengthen early years education across our schools. With Little Explorers receiving a superb recent Ofsted report.

Children from these teams—and indeed from all year groups—have been enjoying a rich variety of experiences within our local community and beyond. Recent visits, including trips to Harry Potter World and Butser Farm, have offered valuable opportunities for learning outside the classroom. These mainland visits form an important part of our commitment to ensuring every child can access a broad range of experiences beyond the Isle of Wight.

We are also pleased to share that we are now a 'My Happy Mind' school. This programme supports children's wellbeing and helps us nurture a culture of positive mental health across our community. Alongside this, we are embarking on the OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) journey, which will transform our lunchtime provision and create enriched, imaginative play opportunities for all pupils.

Our strong links with the local community and our parish churches remain central to our identity as Church of England schools. Many of you joined us for the joyful Pancake Day races in the square, and it was wonderful to see such enthusiastic participation from the children.

While we await the appointment of a new incumbent to replace Rev. Leisa—who served as both an active governor and a valued worship leader—we are grateful for the support of clergy and volunteers from our local churches. We extend our thanks to Sister Charlotte, Ruth Witchard, Mike Shackleton, and the dedicated *Open the Book* team for continuing to enrich our worship life. We are also pleased to welcome a new governor, Sheila Best, a nurse and member of All Saints' Church, Freshwater, who brings valuable experience and insight to our board.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is a privilege to serve our schools community, and we look forward to the year ahead with hope and optimism.

With warmest wishes,

The Governing Body



Isle of Wight Pottery

Starts Fri 27th Feb



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World Book Day

MAINS
Chicken & Vegetable Pie or Vegetable Pie (V)

SIDES
Mashed Potato
Cabbages and Carrots
Gravy

DESSERTS
Chocolate Cookie

*Menus may be subject to change

Chartwells

Yarmouth Duck Race is taking place on Saturday 4th April. The children have been invited to take part in a competition to design a duck for the race. Please find the template attached on Dojo. All entries will need to be in by Monday 23rd March. Some teachers will also be completing these with the children in class.

NAME:

AGE:

DUCK'S NAME:

The entries will be judged by Yarmouth Carnival Committee member, Anne Kyle. The winning ducks will then be made into a real duck and represent the Federation of the Church Schools of Shalfleet and Freshwater & Yarmouth in the Duck Race!

There will also be an Easter Bonnet Competition, if the children would like to take part they would need to go to the Yarmouth Duck Races in their bonnet!

Thanks!

