



# 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

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. G Westhorpe

**RESPECT • RESILIENCE • RELATIONSHIPS**

## Letters Home

## 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 Last Week**

**94%**

**Attendance This Year**

**96%**

- **Important Information**

Dates for your Diary

**10<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 1 Fort Victoria Trip

**11<sup>th</sup> October** – Flu Immunisations

**11<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 5 Sharing Worship

**11<sup>th</sup> October** – Mufti in Aid of Mountbatten Hospice – Go Yellow

**17<sup>th</sup> October** - Year R – Freshwater and Yarmouth School Trip

**17<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 5 – Winchester Science Museum

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October break up for Half – Term**

**Return to School Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November after Half - Term**



**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

**Psalm 150:6** – “Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!”

## Gold Awards

This week's gold award winners are:

Year 1- Everleigh, Grayson, Toby  
Year 2 – Florrie, Valentina, Tommy  
Year 3 – Aurora, Blake  
Year 4 – Noah, Doris  
Year 5 – Imogen, George  
Year 6 – Henry, Rhuban, Penny

**Well Done Everyone!**



## Birthdays

5<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> October

Charlie Lillian Isobel

Baxter Piper Gwyn Dylan

Henry Alonzo

**Happy birthday to you!**

## Outdoor learning Golden Wellie

Golden Welly

Florrie

**Keep up the great work!**



## Sports Tokens

This week's sports token totals are:

**Lighthouse** – 18

**Needles** – 20

**Lifeboat** – 23

**Osbourne** – 19

Well Done everyone!

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.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

## The Conscious Community

**What is the conscious community?**  
Every person in our Federation – including you and all staff – has an important responsibility. Part of it 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:

<h3>Respect</h3> <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>	<h3>Resilience</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Making mistakes are great – 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 this 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>	<h3>Relationships</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>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.</li><li>In situations ask yourself and others...<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What is my/their point of view?</li><li>What are my/their reasons?</li><li>How are I/they feeling?</li><li>What are I/they bringing to this situation?</li></ul></li></ul>
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**In a conscious community...**

We are open	We are honest	We listen
We ask questions	We speak up	We respect privacy

## 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 everyday 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.

## 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.

## Chartwells

From the 4<sup>th</sup> September the Chartwell school lunches will increase as follows:

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



## Short Story Writing Competition 2024

*A funny thing happened when... (8's and over)*  
*Write a story about a favourite animal or pet (under 8's)*

Write a story, using the above criteria, for a chance to have your story recorded and published by a celebrity plus other great prizes to be won!

**ENTRY FEE (per story)**  
**ADULTS £8.00 (1500 - 2000 words)**  
**12 - 17's FREE (up to 750 words) 8 - 11's FREE (up to 500 words)**  
**Under 8's FREE (up to 250 words)**

**ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE FROM**  
 Waterstones | Sight for Wight, Newport | Dress for Less, Newport  
 admin@iwsb.org.uk | sightforwight.org.uk

**CLOSING DATE FRIDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2024**  
**AWARD CEREMONY ON FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2024**  
**RIVERSIDE CENTRE, NEWPORT @7pm**







Sight for Wight is the working name for Isle of Wight Society for the Blind  
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## YOUTH VOICE CONFERENCE 2024

Age 13 - 25 & Want your voice to be heard?  
 The Youth Voice Conference 2024 will take place on  
 Saturday 12th October.




Newport Minster  
 St Thomas' Square  
 Newport  
 PO30 1SL

From 09:30am - 15:30pm.  
 Refreshments and lunch will be provided!

Want to know more? Contact us via email:  
[taskforce@iowyouthtrust.co.uk](mailto:taskforce@iowyouthtrust.co.uk)

Registering couldn't be easier.  
 Simply scan the QR code below:





# COMMUNITY WINTER CRICKET TRAINING

## Isle of Wight Cricket Board

All Stars & Dynamos Sessions!  
 All Stars 5-8 Year Olds  
 Dynamos 8-11 Year Olds

**£20 FOR 5 SESSIONS** **SIGN UP NOW!**

Ventnor CC Mondays	Ventnor CC Tuesdays	Ryde School - Wednesdays
All Stars 5-6pm	Dynamos 5-6pm	All Stars 5.30-6.30pm
18 November	19 November	20 November
25 November	26 November	27 November
2 December	3 December	4 December
9 December	10 December	11 December
16 December	17 December	18 December

<https://forms.gle/c25vawtXj1Ljmd167>  
 Google Form for sessions at Ventnor



<https://forms.gle/ig5tc7q6GvfYpckdA>  
 Google Form for sessions at Ryde School

## Ryde Academy Open Evening

### October 9th 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Parent Presentations 5:00pm and 6:00pm

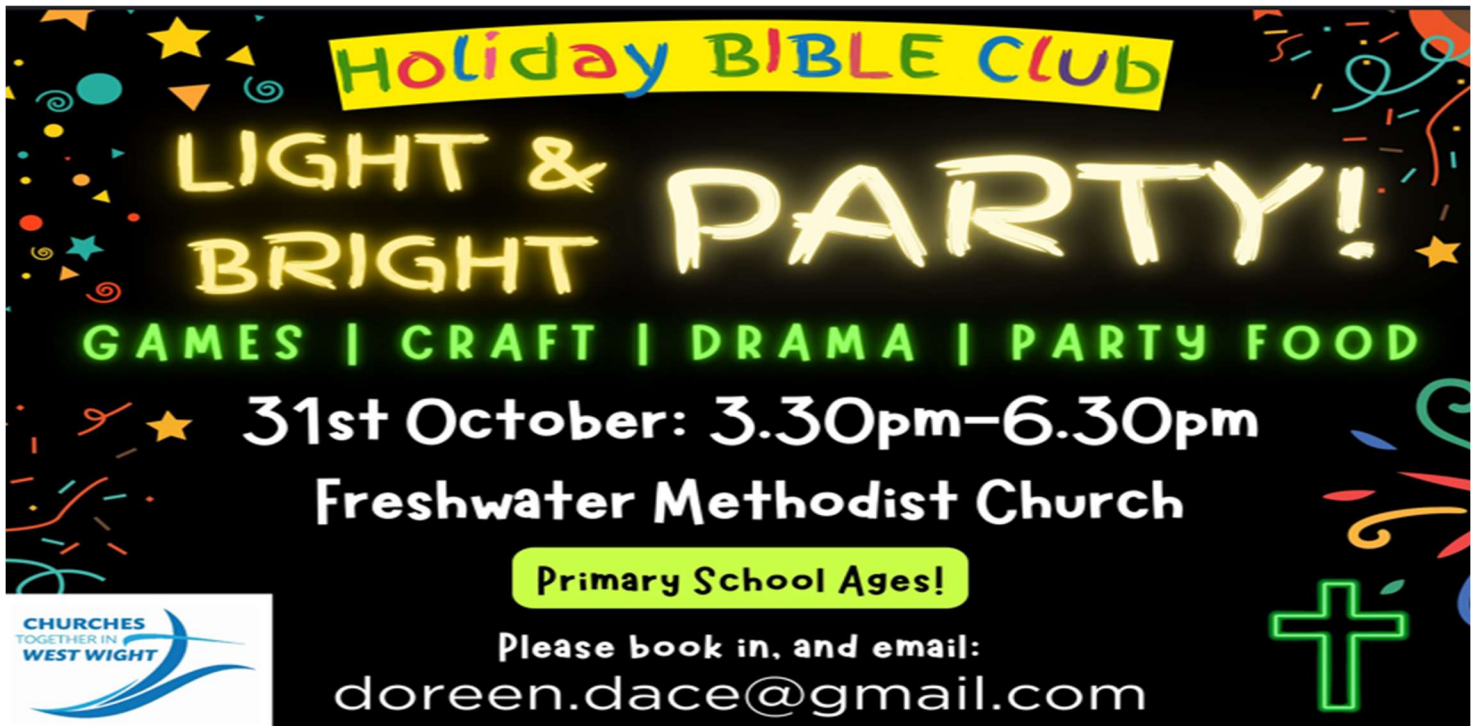


**my Ryde Academy**  
 Find your remarkable

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.

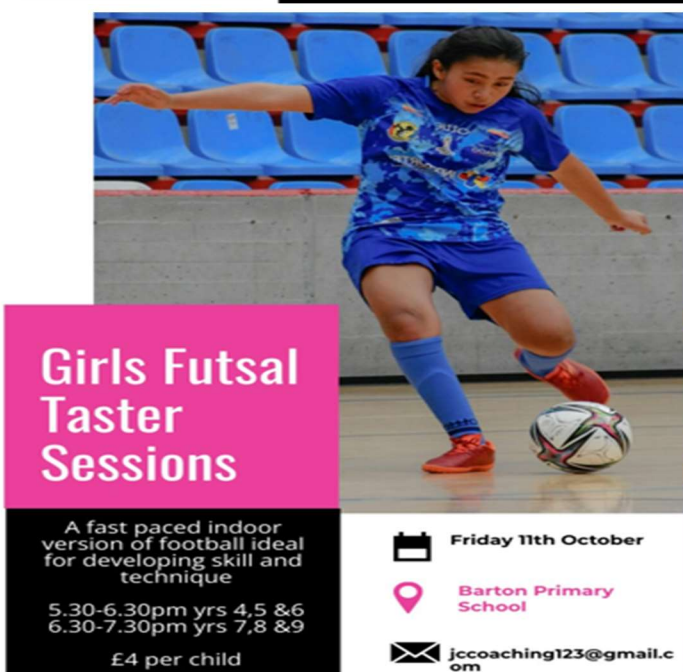

Here is a link below if you need any further information.

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



**Holiday BIBLE CLUB**  
**LIGHT & BRIGHT PARTY!**  
**GAMES | CRAFT | DRAMA | PARTY FOOD**  
**31st October: 3.30pm–6.30pm**  
**Freshwater Methodist Church**  
**Primary School Ages!**  
Please book in, and email:  
[doreen.dace@gmail.com](mailto:doreen.dace@gmail.com)

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WEST WIGHT



**Girls Futsal Taster Sessions**

A fast paced indoor version of football ideal for developing skill and technique

5.30-6.30pm yrs 4,5 &6  
6.30-7.30pm yrs 7,8 &9

£4 per child

**Friday 11th October**

**Barton Primary School**

[jccoaching123@gmail.com](mailto:jccoaching123@gmail.com)



**FREE BOOKS FOR 0-5 YEAR OLDS**

If the child you care for has a social worker or is living in kinship care they are eligible to receive a FREE book every month until their 5th birthday!

**Sign up here!**



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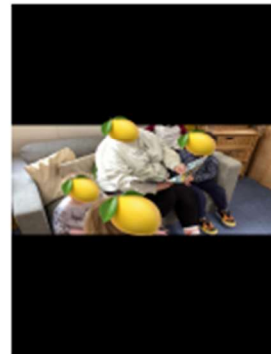
- Wise Owls Weekly Round Up!  
30th September - 4th October 2024

Wow, what a busy week we have had, just as we like it!

Throughout our very busy week the children have enjoyed collaborative learning opportunities such as making a bus together! Together, the children brought over chairs and encouraged other friends to come over and join in on their bus. This is a great way for children to improve their social skills, make new friendships as well as language enrichment through singing lovely songs - such as of course, the wheels on the bus!

The children enjoyed using their bus to go on lovely journeys such as Tapnell Farm and to the shops, which of course included them bringing back all their shopping! Helping the children to further their imagination skills through their play.

A great way to further children's language and development in several areas is through circle times and story times. The children had enjoyed reading one of our story books with a practitioner, the story was called 'Bumble Bear'. The children were able to understand that the words in the book tell the story - but they were able to tell us that they can make a story through what they can see in the pictures. Story times are SO important for children, it helps to ignite the fire in their imagination, where they are able to create their own images and engage their creativity. How amazing is that?



### Curious Squirrel's Weekly Round Up!

The children in the Curious Squirrel's room have had a lovely time this week enjoying all sorts of activities indoors and outdoors! Role playing with the babies in the home corner has been a big hit this week with many of our children. They have shown real care and love for the baby dolls and have been rocking them to sleep in the wooden crib, in their arms and in the dolly buggies when in the garden. The children have also been pretending to feed the babies with pretend food items. One morning, one dolly had a feast which included several pretend cups of tea and every single item of fruit that we own! Participating in these lovely role play activities promotes the children's personal, social and emotional development as they learn to take care of the dolls. Role play benefits children's understanding of the world as they figure out the world around them by acting out scenarios, similar to those that they have seen and been a part of in their real life.

On Friday morning, before we headed over to have our school photos taken, we enjoyed having a pretend teddy bear's picnic. Together we worked hard to set up all our soft toys around a blanket, encouraging the development of our collaborative skills, we found the bears some yummy pretend food and shared the story book 'we're going on a bear hunt' – activities like this support several areas of the children's development, including; literacy, expressive arts and design, communication and language and personal, social and emotional development.

This week we planted our lovely new flowers that our administrator Bella found to go in our new planters! We worked together, using spades, to dig the soil out of the bag and pop it into the planters and fill them up. We then added in our beautiful new plants and the children were super excited to see the finished result! This activity encouraged the children to work together to complete a task, which promoted a sense of pride and belonging. Ever since we planted the flowers, the children have taken great care of them and made sure they are growing by giving them lots of water!

Some other activities we've enjoyed this week are; colourful pasta play, colour sorting with colourful animals, bowls and tweezers and ball games in the garden! Well done everyone, what a lovely week we've had! ❤️





**Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6<sup>th</sup> Form**  
**2024-25 Open Day/Evening dates**  
**(as at 20 June 2024)**



School/College	Date	Time
Carisbrooke College	1 October 2024	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
Christ the King College	19 September 2024 07 November 2024	Year 6 open evening: 5.30-7.30pm 6 <sup>th</sup> Form open evening: 5.30-7.30pm
Cowes Enterprise College	1 <sup>st</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024  November 2024	<b>Year 6</b> 45-minute bookable tours will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays and will be led by a member of the senior leadership team who will be able to answer any specific questions you have about year 7, our curriculum and enrichment opportunities. Tour times to be confirmed. <i>Bookings can be made by calling the academy on <a href="tel:01983203103">01983 203103</a> from the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024</i>  <b>6<sup>th</sup> Form</b> Open Month. Tours will take place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays around the sixth form campus, providing a first-hand experience of what it is like to be a student at Cowes Sixth Form. <i>Bookings can be made by calling the academy on <a href="tel:01983203103">01983 203103</a> from the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024</i>
Island Free School	12 October 2024	Y6 open day: 09.30-1pm  Headmaster's Talks at 10am, 11am and 12noon
Medina College	26 September 2024	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
Ryde Academy	9 October 2024 20 November 2024	Y6 Open Evening 6th Form Open Evening
Ryde School	5 October 2024	Y6 and 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Open Morning: 10-12.30pm
The Bay CE School	3 October 2024	Y6 Open Evening: 5-8pm
The Island VI Form	14 November 2024	VI Form open evening: 5-8pm
The Isle of Wight College	26 June 2024 24 September 2024 16 November 2024 8 January 2025 1 February 2025 24 April 2024	4-7pm 4-7pm Open Day 4-7pm Open Day Open evening tbc
The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment for a show round. Marion Ahmed – Tel: 861222 or email: <a href="mailto:mail@prioryschool.org.uk">mail@prioryschool.org.uk</a>

- Please note St Georges is not offering open days. Places are allocated via the SEND department.