



# 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.

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Headteacher: Mrs. E Grainger

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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



## 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**

**92.97%**

**Attendance This Year**

**94.16%**

## Important Information

### Dates for your Diary

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November** - River Class Sharing Assembly

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** – Selected children to sing carols at CHYOD and Wightlink terminal

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Reception Class to visit All Saints Church for Christmas Tree Festival

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Fair Muffin Day

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Early Years/KS1 Nativity - 9.30am and 1.45pm

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Early Years/KS1 Nativity – 9.30am

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Christingle Service at 9am – Parents invited

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Fair – more details to follow

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Beach Class Elf Day

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Worship

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of school before Christmas – finishing at 3pm

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January** – Return to school

### Menu for the week ahead

#### Week 1

**Monday** – Macaroni Cheese or Cheesy Bean Burrito

Flapjack with Fruit

**Tuesday** – Classic Beef Burger or Quorn Burger

Apple Crumble and Custard

**Wednesday** – Roast Gammon or Roast Quorn

Rice Pudding

**Thursday** – BBQ Chicken Pizza or Meatless Feast Cheesy Pizza

Raspberry Jelly

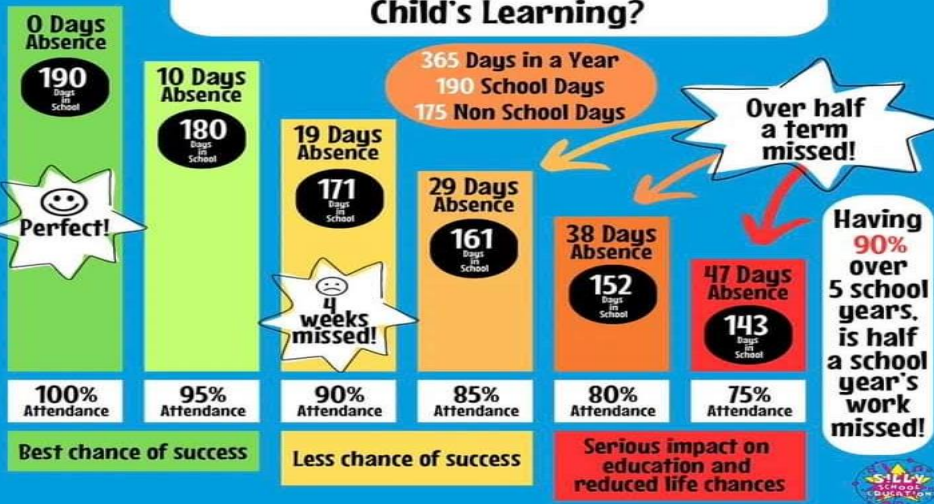
**Friday** – Fish Fingers or Veggie Fingers

Chocolate Brownie

**Jacket potatoes and pasta are available every day.**

**Baguettes are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays**

### How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?



‘May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the holy spirit’

Romans 15:13

# 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:

<b>Respect</b>	<b>Resilience</b>	<b>Relationships</b>
<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><i>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.</i></p> <p><i>In situations ask yourself and others...</i></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.



## Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

Our Christmas dinner will be on Tuesday 17th December. If you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner, please book in via Scopay before Friday 6th 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

## Brighstone Tree Festival

Please see the poster below for the upcoming Brighstone Tree Festival.

Freshwater and Yarmouth and Shalfleet will have tree on display at Calbourne Church. Please go along and take a look.

## Lost Property

Please could parents/carers ensure all clothing is clearly labelled. We have a growing amount of lost property without names. Thank you

## Football Round up

Freshwater and Yarmouth U11s played Holy Cross last week in a football league fixture. A very fast start from Holy Cross meant the team were 2-0 down shortly after kick off, further goals in the first half took the score to 4-0 to the visitors. A stirring team talk from Pete Millar seemed to work as Freshwater and Yarmouth pulled the score back to 4-2, George and Olly scoring the goals. An excellent response in the second half from the team, with a late 5th goal from the opposition the final score ended up Freshwater and Yarmouth 2-5 Holy Cross.

**Well done everyone!**



## Mr Westhorpe's joke of the week

The recipe said set the oven to 180 degrees  
Well, now I can't open it because the door is facing the wall!



## LAST WEEK'S GOLD AWARD WINNERS WERE:

**Beach Class:** Thomas, Morgan, Tobias, Emilia and Ella

**Cove Class:** Albie, Kira and Olivia

**Bay Class:** Curtis, Vera and Ada

**River Class:** NK, Keira, Angelina and Moyin

**Coast Class:** The Whole Class

**Solent Class:** Frankie, Scarlett, Luke and Lily B

**Ocean Class:** Nina, Autumn and Charlie



### Class Attendance last week

Well done to **Ocean Class** for receiving 95.38% **attendance** for last week

Well done everyone!



### Birthdays

18<sup>th</sup> Nov – 1<sup>st</sup> Dec

**Archie B** Finley

**Frankie** Stanley

**Ollie** Lowen

Happy birthday to you!

### Outdoor learning Golden Welly

Well done to **Owen** for winning the outdoor learning golden welly award last week.

Keep up the good work!



### Sports Tokens

**Osbourne - 18**

**Lifeboat - 20**

**Needles - 21**

**Lighthouse - 18**

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

Well done!

## Little Stars Pre School

A love of bears and a visit from Jack Frost has led to some polar fun this week! Learning about polar bears and other arctic animals such as caribou & penguins!

Using a variety of white collage materials some polar bears were made, with polar bear poems and stories being shared too.

It's been a bit breezy in Little Stars, thankfully the only thing flying around was some colourful tissue paper. Using some card, the children generated a mini tornado, laughing as the tissue swirled through the air and everyone's hair blew up in the air!

Handbags have proved popular this week, with children needing them for their very important Christmas shopping! Christmas is in full flow now, with many crafts going on, plenty of sparkly glitter decorating everyone and everything! The children are very proud of their creations and have been keen to label their pictures.





## School Details

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## 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.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](http://nationalcollege.com).

## 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators EDUCATING CHILDREN ON SPENDING AND SAVING

Evidence shows that children's spending habits begin to form as early as seven years old. With primary schools in England not required to teach financial literacy, many young people are reaching adulthood without knowing the basics of budgeting. This guide explains how to teach young people about money in a practical way, giving them the understanding to become savvy spenders and savers.

### 1 PROVIDE POCKET MONEY

Giving children money – even a small amount – can help them learn to make their own budgeting decisions about how to spend or save it. Research shows that youngsters who receive pocket money are more likely to become adults with strong financial skills and significantly less debt.

### 2 USE A PREPAID CARD

Being able to pay by card is essential these days, with some retailers not accepting cash since the pandemic. Prepaid debit cards are available for children from the age of six, allowing them to get used to spending like they will as adults with no risk of dipping into an overdraft. Learning about money is like learning to swim – you need to get in the pool and have a go!

### 3 PRACTISE BORROWING

Although official borrowing is only available to over 18s, kids need to understand how debt and interest works before they become adults and are exposed to credit cards or buy now, pay later schemes. For a safe means of teaching them about this, parents could offer them extra pocket money but explain that it needs to be paid back by a certain date, plus an extra couple of pounds as interest.

### 4 ENCOURAGE OPEN CONVERSATION

Chatting about money and how much things cost will teach children that finance is a part of everyday life and not some "scary adult thing". Parents can involve them in budgeting for the weekly shop, for example, working together to get everything on the list while keeping the total below a certain number. Letting young ones make spending decisions in a safe space can build up their confidence regarding money.

### 5 DISCUSS THE PRESSURE TO SPEND

Whether it's YouTube ads or a hint of envy at a friend's recent purchase, spending triggers are everywhere. Encourage children to notice how clever shop design (like placing sweets at the checkout) and offers such as "2 for 1" deals entice us to spend more. Challenge them to resist impulse buys by getting them to sleep on it before deciding to spend.

### 6 TELLING 'NEED' FROM 'WANT'

Learning how to prioritise spending is an important life skill: the difference between life's essentials and "nice to haves" is key to budgeting. If children pester you for treats while shopping, it's the perfect time to say "That's a want. We're getting our needs first." You could show how you budget for food, electricity and so on before buying fun things.

### 7 ENCOURAGE SAVING

Getting children saving early can set them up with a useful habit for their adult life. Suggest that they set something aside every time they receive money and help them set a target for how much to put away, so they feel motivated to continue. For example, encouraging them to save for a friend's birthday gift can get children much more invested in what they buy.

### 8 SPARK INTEREST IN INTEREST

Motivate children by telling them about interest: you can describe it as a reward for saving. Explain how everything they put away will grow over time. As an exciting example, explain that 1p doubled every day for a month would amount to approximately £10 million. Some prepaid cards for young people also offer interest: parents and carers could also add a little to supplement what their child saves and show how it works.

### 9 PAYING FOR CHORES

This is a complex debate with no right or wrong answer. It depends on what works for each individual family. However, it can be one of the best ways to teach children that money needs to be earned and helps to create more mindful spenders. If parents aren't keen on paying for everyday chores, they could ask the children to suggest their own ideas for earning a little extra.

### 10 PROTECT CHILDREN FROM SCAMS

Scams are a terrifyingly easy way to lose money, and children are generally more likely to be taken in due to a lack of experience with these financial criminals. As a minimum, make sure they're aware of the most common scams they could be exposed to – by text, email and phone, for instance. Young people should tell a trusted adult about any unexpected message or call and never give out their personal information.

### Meet Our Expert

GoHenry is a prepaid debit card and financial education app with a mission to make every young person smart with money. Co-founder and CEO Louise Hill is a passionate campaigner for better financial literacy among school children and strongly believes that money management is a crucial life skill.



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**RELAXING OUR KIDS** – 5th Dec



Autumn Term 2024  
7th Nov—5th Dec  
Thursday 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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# BRIGHSTONE

## CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



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