



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 – 95.9%

This Year – 93.9%

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

Friday 10th July – Year R Sharing Worship
Monday 13th July – Sports Morning
Wednesday 15th July – Year 6 vs Teachers Football Match
Thursday 16th July – Leaver's Play
Friday 17th July – Summer Fair
Friday 24th July – Last Day of School **1:30pm Finish**
No After School Club Available 24th July
Tuesday 1st September – Development Day
Wednesday 2nd September – Development Day

Move Up Day!

On Tuesday we had our Move Up Day as an introduction for all of the children to their new class. This meant we had a lovely new group from preschool come up to Reception class, and we also had our Year 6's visiting their respective new Secondary Schools.

The day was a huge success and we were so happy to see so many of the children enjoying their new classrooms and teachers.

We hope all of our Year 6 students all enjoyed visiting their Secondary Schools, they will all be greatly missed!



School Details

Email – yarmouth@fosay.co.uk

Phone – 01983 7603456

Website – fosay.co.uk



Menu for the week ahead

Summer Menu - Week 1

Monday – Cheese and Tomato Pizza or BBQ Vegetable Wrap

Chocolate Brownie

Tuesday – Beef Bolognese or Vegetarian Bolognese

Oat Cookie

Wednesday – Roast Chicken or Roast BBQ Quorn

Strawberry Shortcake Mousse

Thursday – I.O.W Pork Sausages or Macaroni Cheese

Vanilla Slice

Friday – Fish Fingers or Quorn Dippers

Chocolate Ice Cream

Jacket potatoes and pasta are available every day.

Baguettes are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

“Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.” – Matthew 6:34

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 £5.50 per hour until July, 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, Mabel, Rafael, and Harry

Cove Class: The Whole Class!

Bay Class: Albie, Kara, Thea Cooper, Olivia, and Amelia

River Class: Leo, Tyler, and Lucas

Coast Class: The Whole Class!

Solent Class: Darcie, Abel, Lowen, and Tommy

Ocean Class: Away at Calshot



Mr Westhorpe's Golden Boot Award

The Golden Boot goes to **The Whole of Reception Class!**
For all their hard work preparing for their first Sports Day



Outdoor learning Golden Wellie Award

The Golden Wellie this week goes
to **Luke Ring!**



Class Attendance this week

Well done to **Cove Class**
for receiving **100%
attendance** this week.

Well done everyone!



Birthdays

12th – 31st July

Shanika

Curtis

Ewan

Nana Kojo

Piper

Ashleigh

Daisie



Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 16

Lifeboat - 9

Needles - 15

Lighthouse - 12

Well done to ... 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.

Last Day of Term Time Changes

As we continue to power through the last
term of the school year we would like to
make you all aware that on **Friday 24th
July the school will be closing at
1:30pm.** Therefore, there will be no After
School Clubs that day.

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Huge Thank You to Central Discos!

We'd like to also say a big thank you to Darren Cantelo from Central Discos who again has donated his time to us for the School Discos we had last month. All the children who attended had a great time and this wouldn't have been possible without his music.

We're already looking forward to next year!

School Choir & Singers Needed:

Pier 150th Anniversary!

We are absolutely delighted to announce that our federation has been invited to officially open the celebrations for the **Pier's 150th Anniversary!**

This is a fantastic community event, and our children have been given the starring role of kicking off the day's festivities before a brilliant ABBA tribute band takes the stage.

Here are the key details:

Date: Sunday 19th July

Location: We will meet the families at 11.30am at the big car park in Yarmouth and then walk down to the pier together.

Performance Time: A short, fun 15-minute set of sea-related songs to open the proceedings.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to perform, and we would love to have as many of our pupils there as possible to represent our school and celebrate this historic milestone.

 **How to Sign Up**

To help us plan rehearsals and get an idea of choir size, please phone the school office to let us know if your child is able to take part.

Thank you so much for your continued support—let's make some noise and help celebrate the pier's big birthday in style!

Mrs Grainger

Headteacher



SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE

July 2026 | Primary | What parents and carers need to know about: Water safety | Personal safety

Water safety: Helping children stay safe around water

As the weather gets warmer, many families spend more time outdoors and around water. Following several incidents involving people getting into difficulty in open water during recent heatwaves, now is a good time to think about how we can help children stay safe around water.

Why can water be so dangerous?

Many children are naturally drawn to water. They may see it as a place to play, cool down or explore. However, even water that appears calm and shallow can be dangerous. Rivers, lakes, reservoirs and canals often remain much colder than expected, even on hot days. Sudden immersion in cold water can cause panic and make it difficult to breathe or move.

Open water can also contain hidden dangers such as:

- strong currents
- slippery banks
- weeds and underwater plants
- hidden objects beneath the surface
- sudden changes in depth
- poor visibility.

Teaching children about water safety

Children do not need to be frightened of water, but they do need to understand how to respect it. Simple messages can help children develop safe habits:

- always stay with a trusted adult near water
- never enter water without permission
- do not run near water
- never push or dare others to go into water
- wear appropriate safety equipment when needed, such as buoyancy aids
- follow signs and safety instructions.

Repeating these messages regularly helps children remember them when they are excited, distracted or playing with friends.

Drowning can happen quickly and quietly

One of the biggest misconceptions about drowning is that it is noisy and obvious. In reality, children who are struggling in water are often unable to shout or wave for help.

This is why close supervision is so important. Accidents can happen in a matter of seconds, even in shallow water.

Young children should always be supervised around water, whether they are at the beach, near a river, in a paddling pool or playing in the garden with water.

How parents and carers can support with Water Safety

Supervise closely

Young children must be actively supervised around water, with no distractions.



Teach children to respect water

Help children recognise that water can be dangerous, even when calm or shallow. Encourage them to follow safety rules.

Choose supervised locations

Where possible, choose beaches, swimming pools and water activities that have trained lifeguards.



Be a positive role model

Children learn safety from adults: following signs and demonstrating safe behaviour around water helps them develop good habits.

If a child gets into difficulty

The Royal Life Saving Society UK encourages people to remember that they should never enter the water to attempt a rescue.

Instead:

- call 999 immediately
- encourage the child to float on their back if they are able
- throw something that floats if available
- seek help from a lifeguard or emergency services.

Trying to rescue someone by entering the water yourself can place more people at risk.

SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

What every child should know about personal safety

As parents and carers, we teach our children many important skills: how to cross the road safely, how to be kind to others and how to look after themselves. Personal safety is another important life skill that helps children recognise when something doesn't feel right, understand their boundaries and know where to get help when they need it. The good news is that personal safety conversations do not need to be frightening or complicated. In fact, some of the most effective conversations happen naturally as part of everyday family life.

Helping children understand body safety

One of the most important messages children can learn is that their body belongs to them. Children should understand that they have a right to feel safe and that they can speak up if something makes them feel uncomfortable. This includes helping them understand personal boundaries and that they can say "no" to unwanted touch. It is also helpful for children to know the correct names for all parts of their body. Research suggests that children who can accurately describe their bodies are often better able to communicate concerns if something happens that worries them. Teaching body safety is not about making children fearful of others. It is about helping them develop confidence, self-respect and an understanding of healthy boundaries.

Safe, unsafe and confusing situations

Children often find it easier to understand personal safety when we move away from talking about 'good people' and 'bad people'. Instead, it can be helpful to talk about situations that feel:

- Safe** – when they feel comfortable, happy and secure.
- Unsafe** – when they feel frightened, worried or in danger.
- Confusing** – when something does not feel quite right but they are not sure why.

Helping children understand that confusing feelings matter is particularly important. Sometimes children cannot explain exactly what is wrong, but they know something does not feel right. Encouraging them to talk about these feelings helps them learn to trust themselves and seek support.

HOW PARENTS AND CARERS CAN SUPPORT PERSONAL SAFETY AT HOME

01



Keep conversations regular

Brief, everyday chats often work better than long talks. Use daily life, books or TV as chances to discuss safety.

02



Encourage open communication

Encourage your child to talk about worries and problems, and listen calmly.

03



Practise safety scenarios

Role-play helps children feel confident about what to do if they feel uncomfortable or need help.

04



Reinforce body boundaries

Teach children that they can politely decline unwanted hugs, kisses or physical contact if they feel uncomfortable.

05



Praise speaking up

Praise children for sharing worries or uncomfortable experiences, encouraging them to speak up.

Safe secrets, unsafe secrets and surprises

Surprises, like birthday presents or special treats, are fun and temporary but secrets can be different.

Surprises are shared, but unsafe secrets are kept hidden and can make someone feel worried or upset.

Children should never keep a secret that makes them uncomfortable or that someone asks them to hide from trusted adults. Teach your child that it is always okay to tell.

Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6th Form
2026-27 Open Day/Evening dates
(as at 8/6/2026)

School/College	Date	Time
Carisbrooke College	29 September 2026 6, 7, 8 October 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm Tours of the school @ 10.45am To book: donna.godfrey@carisbrooke.iow.sch.uk
Christ the King College	17 September 2026 11 November 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5.30-7.30pm 6 th Form open evening: 5.30-7.30pm
Cowes Enterprise College	15 th October 2026 9 November 2026 – 11 December 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm 6 th Form Open Month
Island Free School	10 October 2026	Y6 open day: 09.30-1pm Headmaster's Talks at 10am, 11am and 12noon
Medina College	22 September 2026 29 September 2026 8 October 2026 13 October 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm } Open mornings 9.30-12noon
Lift Ryde	7 October 2026 10 October 2026 18 November 2025	Y6 & Y5 Open Evening Quiet School Tours and meet the Headteacher sessions 6th Form Open Evening
Ryde School	3 October 2026	Y6 and 6 th Form Open Morning: 10-12.30pm
ST George's School	7 October 2026	Open event: tours at 1.15pm (limited spaces during the school day) Y6 and 6 th Form 3.30pm and 4.30pm Please note that the child MUST have an EHCP as an admissions criterion Please call St George's to book a place
The Bay CE School	1 October 2026	Y6 Open Evening: 5-7.30pm
The Island VI Form	12 November 2026	VI Form open evening: 5-8pm
The Isle of Wight College	17 September 2026 7 November 2026	5-7pm Open Evening 10am-1pm Open Day
The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment for a show round. Tel: 861222 or email: mail@prioryschool.org.uk

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Steam Railway Prom

Saturday 25th July 2026, 3pm
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Sat 8th August 12^{pm}

Jubilee Field, next to West Wight Leisure Centre, Freshwater

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(Classes to suit everyone, including Children)

For Schedules, with all the details of classes, and how to enter, please phone 07904716655

Or just come along in the afternoon and have a look round, enjoy tea and cake, live music, traditional funfair, beer tent, pizza, variety of stalls, a dog show, and lots more!





Splash into School Holiday Fun!

Join us for an action packed week of fun this summer and take part in Polly's Challenge! Polly's Challenge is a funded programme for year 5 & 6 students who have attended UKSA's Test the Water programme and are in receipt of free school meals or pupil premium.

Don't worry if you've never been on the water before, our experienced and enthusiastic instructors will teach you everything you need to know!

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Isle of Wight Council

Junior Cricket Training Sessions

Discover the fun of cricket!
Fridays, 5.30 pm - 7 pm
(May until August)

Open to kids aged 8-13 years
£2 per child, per session
First session free

Hosted by Freshwater Cricket Club at Jubilee Field (next to West Wight Sports Centre).

Learn the basics of batting, bowling and fielding and play mini matches.

Freshwater Cricket Club also has U11 and U13 teams in the IWCB league competitions, for those who want to progress. Membership fee applies.

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