



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.

www.fosay.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs. E Grainger

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. G Westhorpe

Attendance

Target – 100 %

Last week – 98.69%

This Year – 97.3%

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 25th September – Mufti day - The Shoebox Appeal

Friday 25th September – Sharing Worship Year 6

Tuesday 29th September - Open Day @ Shalfleet

Wednesday 30th September Open Day @ Freshwater

Wednesday 30th September – Ugandan Choir Visit (details to follow)

Friday 2nd October – Harvest Worship

Tuesday 6th October - Flu Immunisations

Friday 16th October - Sharing Worship Year 5

**October Half – Term Monday 19th October - return to school
Monday 2nd November**

Menu

Week 1 13/7/26

Monday – Cheese & Tomato Pizza or
BBQ Vegetable Wrap

Chocolate Brownie

Tuesday – Beef Bolognese or
Vegetarian Bolognese

Oat Cookie

Wednesday – Roast Chicken or BBQ
Quorn

Strawberry Shortcake Mousse

Thursday – IOW 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**

Weather

With the weather being so changeable at the moment,
please could you ensure that your child comes to school
with a raincoat each day. On warmer or sunnier days, please
also apply sun cream before school.

School Details

Email – shalfleet@fosay.co.uk

Phone – 01983 760269

Website – fosay.co.uk

**'Let everything that has breath praise
the Lord'**

Psalm 150:6

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

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.



Gold Awards for this week are:



Year 1: Carter, Clementine

Year 2: Jayden, Rory, Amy

Year 3: George, Logan, Eliza

Year 4: Isaac, Delilah, Emily, Jack, Florrie

Year 5: Alfie W, Tiwa, William

Year 6: Igor, Amelia, Bobby



Free School Meals

The Government has changed the eligibility criteria for Free School Meals (FSM).

From the 2026–2027 academic year, children living in households receiving Universal Credit may now be eligible for Free School Meals.

We are encouraging all families receiving Universal Credit to apply, even if your child is currently in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2.

Applying will ensure that your child's eligibility is recorded correctly and that your family receives any support you may be entitled to.

Please apply through the Isle of Wight Council Free School Meals portal using the link: <https://www.iow.gov.uk/article/2436/Free-school-meals>

Holiday Club

From May half term onwards, the holiday club hourly rate will increase to **£5.50 per hour**. This increase helps us cover rising staffing costs and continue providing a high-quality provision for the children. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Class Attendance last week

Well done to Year 2,
Years 5 & Year 6 for
receiving 100%
attendance for last week.

Well done everyone!



Birthdays

12th – 18th September

Libby Maisie Noah

Logan

Happy birthday to you!

Sports Tokens

Osbourne - 18

Lifeboat - 16

Needles - 19

Lighthouse - 14

Well done to **Needles**
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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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)



FACEBOOK



FACEBOOK 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.

SNAPCHAT



SNAPCHAT 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.

INSTAGRAM



INSTAGRAM Kids are creating fake accounts to hide content from their parents, according to police. Messages are also deleted once a user leaves a conversation.

WHATSAPP



WHATSAPP 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.

KIDSCHAT



KIDSCHAT.NET 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.

SKYPE



SKYPE 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.

WHISPER



WHISPER 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

CALCULATOR %



CALCULATOR % 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.

HOT ON NOT



HOT ON NOT Strangers rate a user's 'attractiveness' with the aim of real-world meet ups in your local area.

ASK.FM



ASK.FM An app where users can anonymously ask questions and receive answers. The app has been featured in a number of cyber bullying cases.

YUBO



YUBO Similar to Tinder, the app is designed to allow teens to flirt with each other.

KIK MESSAGING Kik



KIK MESSAGING Kik is a messaging app that allows content normally filtered on a home computer.

BURN BOOK



BURN BOOK Anonymous rumours can be posted about people through audio messages, texts and photos.

WISHBONE



WISHBONE This app allows users to compare kids and rate them on a scale.

GRINDR



GRINDR 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.

SKOUT



SKOUT 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.

MEET ME



MEET ME 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.

TIK TOK



TIK TOK 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.

TELLOYMN



TELLOYMN anonymous messenger app. It calls itself "the most honest place on the internet." Age controls are inconsistent and sexual explicit material can be found.

Zoomerang



Zoomerang Is a popular app that looks like a harmless messaging app however it allows private anonymous messaging and is location enabled.

BUMBLE



BUMBLE 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

FACEBOOK MESSENGER



FACEBOOK MESSENGER 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.

BADOO



BADOO 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.

OMEGLE



OMEGLE is a video chat website where users are matched randomly with strangers.

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CHILD ABUSE RESOURCES
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0800 800 5000

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



Healthy Lunchboxes & Nut-Free Reminder

We love seeing the variety of lunch boxes that come into school each day and we really appreciate the care you take in preparing them. A healthy, balanced lunch helps children stay focused, energised and ready to learn throughout the afternoon.

We encourage lunchboxes to include a mix of foods such as fruit or vegetables, whole grain options and healthy snacks, while keeping sugary treats to a minimum. These small choices can make a big difference to your child's wellbeing.

We would also like to remind everyone that we are a **nut-free school**. This helps us keep all children safe, particularly those with severe allergies. Please check labels carefully and avoid sending any products that contain nuts or nut traces.

If you would like some healthy ideas, please do visit the link below 'Lunch boxes don't have to be stressful'

<https://simplyveg.vegpower.org.uk/your-food/love-your-lunchbox/>

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. Together, we can promote healthy habits and maintain a safe, caring environment for all our children.

Universal Free School Meals – Years R, 1 and 2

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal every school day. This government-funded offer means your child can enjoy a nutritious, freshly prepared lunch at no cost to families.

[\[iow.gov.uk\]](http://iow.gov.uk), [\[gov.uk\]](http://gov.uk)

Our school meals are provided by Chartwells, who specialise in creating nutritious, appetising meals that children enjoy, while meeting national nutritional guidelines. Each day, children can choose from:

- A main hot meal
- A vegetarian option
- A pasta dish

All meals are served with a pudding and a choice of water or milk. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, there is also a popular baguette option available, giving children even more choice and variety at lunchtime.

Universal Free School Meals are a great opportunity for children to try new foods, enjoy a balanced meal and eat together with their friends in a positive, social setting.

Important Reminder – Applying for Free School Meals (FSM)

Although all children in Years R–2 receive a free meal automatically, **parents should still apply for Free School Meals if they think they may be eligible**. The rules for applying have recently been updated, and registering can help the school access additional funding to support pupils (Pupil Premium). [\[iow.gov.uk\]](http://iow.gov.uk)

If you are unsure whether you qualify, we strongly encourage you to apply – it could make a real difference.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us provide healthy, enjoyable meals for all our children.

Parent and Caregiver Peer Support Sessions

11th June 2026 (9am – 11am) Cowes Family Centre

16th July 2026 (9am – 11am) Carisbrook & Gunville Church

16th September 2026 (9am – 11am) Ventnor Family Centre

16th October 2026 (9am – 11am) Sandown Family Centre

18th November 2026 (9am – 11am) Carisbrook & Gunville Church

13th January 2027 (9am – 11am) Carisbrook & Gunville Church

10th February 2027 (9am – 11am) Carisbrook & Gunville Church

Isle of Wight
Neurodiversity
Team

Drop in for a chat, a cuppa and shared experiences

No booking needed

Cowes Family Centre –
Love Lane, Cowes PO31 7ET
Carisbrook & Gunville Church
Gunville Road, Newport
PO30 5LS
Ventnor Family Centre
Albert Street, Ventnor PO38 1EZ
Sandown Family Centre
The Fairway, Sandown PO36 9EQ



September Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Facing Defiance	1 Sep 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	1 Sep 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	7 Sep 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	7 Sep 7pm
Introduction to OCD	8 Sep 10am
Decreasing Depression	8 Sep 7pm
What is ACT?	14 Sep 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Sep 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	15 Sep 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 Sep 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Sep 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	22 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	22 Sep 7pm
FREE - Masking Awareness	24 Sep 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	28 Sep 10am
School Anxiety	28 Sep 7pm

Parent and caregivers peer support sessions

A welcoming space to connect, share experiences and access support



Join us for a relaxed and friendly session where you can:

- meet other parents and caregivers;
- share experiences in a supportive environment;
- explore ideas and strategies that may help at home and school;
- connect with the Isle of Wight neurodiversity team;
- enjoy tea, coffee and informal conversation.

Upcoming sessions

Wednesday 16 September 2026
9 to 11am

Ventnor Family Centre, Albert Street,
Ventnor PO38 1EZ

2027 session dates will be announced in December 2026

Tuesday 3 November 2026
9 to 11am

Newport Family Hub, Furrllons,
Newport PO30 2AX

Booking required

To book your place, please email iowneurodiversityteam@iow.gov.uk



Supporting families of neurodivergent children and young people across the Isle of Wight



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

Together for a Brighter Future

Open Day

Join us for our Open Day at Shalfleet School on
Tuesday 29th September and Freshwater & Yarmouth
School on **Wednesday 30th September** and see what
makes our school community so special.

Meet our passionate staff, tour our vibrant classrooms,
and discover how we inspire every child to learn, grow,
and thrive.

We are inviting you to come
to our schools during either
of the following time slots:

9-11 am
2-5 pm

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 between 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