

SHF NEWS

Monday 6th October 2025



Inspire, Believe, Achieve

Headteacher's News

Sir Henry Fermor enables everyone to succeed; as Jesus teaches through the parable of The Lost Sheep: no one is left behind. **Inspiring** children and adults, **believing** in God at the heart of all we do, through Christ's love and guidance; all in the Sir Henry Fermor family flourish, **achieving** fullness.

A huge thank you for generosity and charitable donations for our **Harvest Services** held last week. The **Crowborough Foodbank** will certainly be appreciative of the offers made by the SHF community. It was lovely to see the children's artwork adorning All Saints' autumn window display - thank you to **Mrs Jeffs** for organising this. Did you spy a familiar face at the back of the church? **Mrs Oram** made a surprise appearance and we hope we did her proud by continuing the window art legacy. Thank you to **Sam and Sarah** from All Saints for leading our service exploring how to grow our fruits and vegetables, and no this doesn't mean using a torch, book or blanket!

Day	Staff	Club	Times
Monday	Mrs Martin	KS1 Colouring Club in 1MG	12:30 - 13:00
	Mrs Mintram	KS2 Horrible Histories	12:15 - 12:45
	Miss Newman	KS2 colouring club	12:15 - 12:45
	Mrs Gilbert	KS2 Chess Club in The Den	12:15 - 12:30

Tuesday	Miss Podlasi	Shine Club in 1P	12:30 - 13:00
	Mrs Miller	KS2 Film Club in 5M	12:15 - 12:45
	Mr Morris	KS2 Pokemon Club	12:15 - 12:45
	Mrs Gilbert	KS2 Chess Club in The Den	12:15 - 12:30

Wednesday	Mrs Koch	KS1 Film Club in 2K	12:30 - 13:00
	Mrs Burton	Shine Club in 3B	12:15 - 12:45
	Mrs Gilbert	KS2 Chess Club in The Den	12:15 - 12:30

Thursday	Mrs Crumble	KS1 Craft Club in 2C	12:30 - 13:00
	Mrs Jeffs	Reading Club in the library	12:30 - 13:00
	Mrs Price	KS2 Lego and Colouring club in 6P	12:15 - 12:45
	Miss Fuller	KS2 TTRS Club in 6F	12:15 - 12:45
	Mrs Gilbert	KS2 Chess Club in The Den	12:15 - 12:30

Friday	Mrs Golding	Lego club for KS1 meet in 1MG	12:30 - 13:00
	Mrs Price	KS2 Lego/Games Club in 6P	12:15 - 12:45
	Miss Rose	Colouring Club in 3R	12:15 - 12:45
	Mrs Gilbert	KS2 Chess Club in The Den	12:15 - 12:30

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The staff at SHF continue to go above and beyond by giving up their lunch times to provide a comprehensive time table of **lunch time clubs**. Every teacher is committed to providing the very best for our children and I continue to be so proud of the team. This list is also available in our KS1 Hall for the children to check daily and is on our [website](#).

On Friday we are wearing yellow for **World Mental Health Day** - click [here](#) to give any donations directly to Mind. You don't have to be fully in yellow - you may only have a T-shirt, hair band or jumper and that's ok!

We look forward to seeing how much yellow you can wear on Friday!

Safeguarding

OpenView Education APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS			
13+	16+	17+	18+
Facebook	Snapchat	WhatsApp	
Instagram	Twitter		
TikTok	Kik	Sarahah	MeetMe
YouNow	Yubo	YOLO	YOLO
House Party	Monkey		LiveMe

[WhatsApp privacy guide - Internet Matters](#)

Key Dates

Friday 10th October

World Mental Health Day
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

Wednesday 15th October

KS2 Cross Country

Friday 17th October

KS2 Secret Garden
Performance

Saturday 18th October

FOFS Bingo Night

Tuesday 21st October

Parent Consultation Evening
3.30-6pm

Wednesday 22nd October

Professional individual
photos

Thursday 23rd October

FOFS pyjama day
(chocolate donation)
Parent Consultation Evening
4.30-7pm
Last day of Term 1

Friday 24th October

INSET DAY

Monday 27th October -

Friday 31st October
Half Term

Monday 3rd November

First day of Term 2

Wednesday 5th November

Year 6 leading the service
at All Saints Church (& tie
ceremony) 8.45am

Thursday 6th November

Initial safeguarding training
for volunteers 9.15am

Friday 7th November

FOFS colour and sparkles
dress down day (bottle/toy
donations)
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

Monday 10th November -

Friday 14th November
Antibullying Week

Tuesday 11th November

Year 6 at Chapel Green
(Remembrance Day)

Wednesday 12th November

Year 5 Mayan Day
New EVFS 2026 open
afternoon (1.30pm) and
evening (6pm)

Friday 14th November

Children In Need

Friday 21st November

Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

Friday 19th December

Last day of Term 2

All term dates are
available on our [website](#).

Theme of the Month: Listening When Others Are Speaking

'Let every person be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry.' James 1:19



Attendance



Congratulations once again to **1P** for their outstanding attendance of 100% this week!

Well done to the following classes who achieved over 96% attendance:
2C (99.3%), **2K** (99%), **5M** (98.8%), **Owls** and **4M** (98.3%), **4J** (97.9%), **5N** (97.7%) and **1MG** (97.4%).

Awards

Uniform Unicorn: Well done to Ted in 1P for setting a high standard of wearing smart uniform.



Fermor Merit: Cody in 4J received the £5 book token this week, kindly donated by FOFS, for picking up any dropped coats from the cloakroom area.

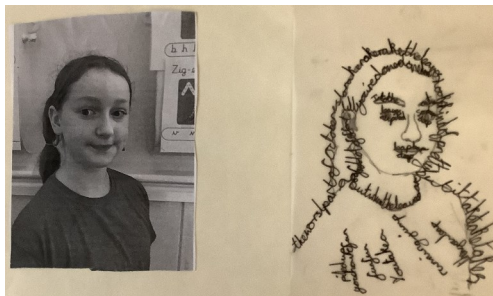
Subject in the Spotlight: English - Poetry Day



On Thursday 2nd October it was National Poetry Day which we celebrated by engaging in many varied poetry activities. The day began with a Poetry Worship, where Mrs Koch tried to perform a tongue twister as fast as possible and we heard an original poem from Year 6, and recited poems from Year 5 and Year 4. The theme this year was 'Play' but we also considered the strength of words, ensuring that we put them to good use, and reflecting on the quote by the American poet Emily Dickinson: *'I know nothing in the world that has as much power as a word. Sometimes I write one, and I look at it, until it begins to shine.'*

There was a creative buzz around all years for the remainder of the day with animal poetry from Year 2, nonsense poetry from Year 4 and shape poetry from Year 5. It was an inspiring day and I was thrilled to see how many children had worked on poems as their home learning too. Well done Fermor, keep reading and writing poetry!

Mrs Jeffs



Gold Book

Well done for your fantastic learning:

1P: Mia for her use of adjectives and accurate punctuation to describe Nelly the Detective Dog.

2C: Teddy for his description about a forest.

2K: Leyla for a description of a garden so detailed that Mrs Koch could picture it in her head;

Ester for her description of a hedgehog.

5N: Hope for independently completing a comprehension task on the book she has been reading;

Flynn for his description about a beach and a cave.



Friends of Fermor



There's still time to buy tickets for our adult's only BINGO event next Saturday 18th October!

Tickets are £5 each. You can buy them on ParentPay or by emailing friends@fermorschool.org.uk.



We also have two dress down days coming up, ahead of our Magical Christmas Fair...

Thursday 23rd October - Pyjama Dress Down Day

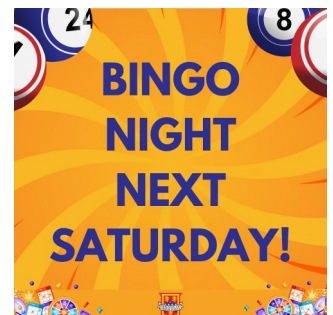
Bring a donation for the chocolate tombola

Friday 7th November - 'Colour and Sparkles' Dress Down Day

Bring a toy for the children's tombola (EYFS/KS1) or a bottle for the adults' tombola (KS2).

If you would like to get involved with planning events, or volunteering at them, **please get in touch**

at friends@fermorschool.org.uk.



In Other News...



- **Train to Teach:**

Sir Henry Fermor CE Primary School works with Teach Kent & Sussex to provide exceptional school based teacher training. Schools like ours play an important role in training new teachers, many of whom hear about us through our community networks. Whether you have spent time working in a school environment, are a recent graduate, or are looking for a complete change in career, teaching could be for you.

Why not join one of Teach Kent & Sussex's free to attend Train to Teach information events to find out more? To register please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/train-to-teach-information-events-4632813>

Team your existing skills and life experiences with Teach Kent & Sussex's high-quality teacher training and qualify as a primary or secondary school teacher in 11 months (full-time training) or 20 months (part-time training). Financial help as you train is available, with bursaries and scholarships for up to £31,000 in some secondary subjects.

Teach Kent & Sussex is in partnership with national education provider, Ambition Institute. The programme enables you to learn what makes an effective teacher through evidence-based and subject focused theory. You will then put this learning into practice with your peers and personal mentor in a school environment.

This training route aims to give you the best start to go on and support thousands of children and young people over the lifetime of your career. It will provide you with the strong foundation skills to allow you to benefit from the continuity of your professional development, including Ambition's Early Career Framework and National Professional Qualifications.

For more information about the Teach Kent & Sussex Teacher Training programme please visit www.teachkentandsussex.org.uk

- **Lunches:**

Over the last couple of weeks we have completed a time audit to ensure every moment of learning counts. We are really impressed that on average, the register takes just 3 minutes to complete! However, it takes much longer when children are needing to add their lunch option to the list. Please can we ask for all lunches to be selected on parent pay by 7.45am.

- **Beginner trumpet Players Needed:**

We have pupil at school waiting for trumpet lessons and we really need another child or a few more so that we can start a group lesson. Mr Paul Lacey visits the school from our county Music hub: Create Music, and he has spaces to start pupils immediately. It would be great to have some brass players in our flourishing Fermor orchestra too! Instrument hire is free for the first term, with a small fee after that, so you do not have to have your own instrument. Children need to be in Year 4 or above.

If anyone is interested, please contact the office by email, or write a note in your child's contact book for the attention of Mrs Greening.

For more information about music lessons and costs or to directly apply please see the Create Music website: [Lessons at School | Create Music](#)



Photo Gallery

