

SHF NEWS

Monday 23rd June 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.

Wow - what lovely weather we encountered last week and over the weekend! I do hope you've been able to keep cool as the temperatures were the highest on record for this year so far.

Thank you to Miss Newman, Mrs Levett, the staff and parents/carers during sports day to pick equipment up, for cheering the children on and ultimately making it such a successful **Sports Day**. Thank you also to FoFS for selling ice creams (very needed!) and getting through the long queue so quickly. An extra thank you to our year 6 helpers for supporting the younger children's sports day. We saw huge numbers taking part in the **aquathlon** and this is testament to the confidence children now have in water, with thanks to Mrs Russell. We wouldn't be able to offer so many opportunities to the children if it wasn't for the generosity of our **volunteers** giving their time to make these events happen so if you do find yourself with some spare time, please do consider volunteering with us - pop into the office to register your interest.



We eagerly await our **School fair** on Saturday and hope the weather remains settled. If you need to drive, we politely ask that the church car park is used for additional parking, rather than the pub or surrounding roads so as to cause limited disruption.

See you on Saturday!

Safeguarding

Online Safety NSPCC

Starting the conversations

Talking regularly with your child can help keep them safe online. Making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed.

It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

But it's easy to become overwhelmed with the different technology, the language that children use, the huge number of games and apps which are available and the potential risks.

The NSPCC website has lots of resources to support parents and carers with having conversations with their children.

[Teaching Your Child about Internet & Online Safety | NSPCC](#)

Key Dates

Monday 23rd June – Friday 27th June
Assessment Week

Tuesday 24th June
Year 1 trip to Drusillas

Thursday 26th June
Year 6 Diocese Leavers Service

Friday 27th June
Staff and Parent Prayers 8.20-8.30am
FOFS Dress Down Day—pyjamas (raffle donations)

Saturday 28th June
FOFS SUMMER FAIR
1.30—4.30pm

Monday 30th June
Transition booklets sent home
Year 6 Performance 1.45pm

Tuesday 1st July
Year 6 Performance 9.30am and 6pm

Wednesday 2nd July
Year 2 trip to Ashdown Forest
Year 6 hoodies presented from FOFS

Thursday 3rd July
Transition morning, including new EYFS

Monday 7th July – Friday 11th July
Year 6 Residential to Heatree

Monday 14th July
Year 6 BBQ

Tuesday 15th July
Reports sent home

Wednesday 16th July
2pm I-Rock concert

Thursday 17th July
Leavers' Service held at All Saints Church 8.45am
LAST DAY OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR!

Friday 18th, Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd July
INSET DAYS

Wednesday 23rd July – Monday 1st September
Summer Holidays

Tuesday 2nd September
INSET DAY

Wednesday 3rd September
First day of Term 1 (Years 1–6)

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

Gold Book

Well done for your fantastic learning: **3J**: Ziggy for a very detailed observational drawing of a cheese plant. Great capturing of the shapes and colours.

Attendance

Congratulations to **Hedgehogs** for their attendance of 99.5% this week.

Well done to the following classes who achieved over 96% attendance:

4M & 4WG (97.6%), **6JP** (97.5%) and **2K** (97.3%)



Subject in the Spotlight: Sports Week (PE)

Last week Fermor had their annual sports week and what a sporty and hot week it was!

The children started the week with a brilliant cricket session led by **Charlie at Sussex Cricket**. On Tuesday, our house captains put the children through their paces with a **house group competition** that would contribute to the final sports day scores. It was lovely to see so many come along on Wednesday to our **Sports Day** and picnic in the woods. The children loved all the activities and being cheered on throughout the day and how lucky we are to have such a huge field to host it on! EYFS and year 1 had a football session with a coach from **First Class Football** and then had a go at a few extra sporting activities on the field on Friday morning. Our annual **aquathlon** was the perfect way to finish our sports week! It was fantastic to see so many children in KS2 compete and having all the children watching and cheering them on definitely boosted the children to keep persevering, even when tired. Another huge thank you to the parent supporters we had on the day, we couldn't run these events without your help, so thank you! The children definitely appreciated having your extra cheers too!

Finally, the winners of Fermor Sports Day 2025 goes to...**Warren!** Congratulations Warren house for taking home the trophy this time!



Theme of the Month: Honesty

'Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.' 1 John 3:18

The Boy Who Cried Wolf

A shepherd boy was bored as he sat on the hillside watching the village sheep. To amuse himself he shouted, "Wolf! Wolf! The Wolf is chasing the sheep!" The villagers came to help, but when they arrived, they found no wolf. The boy laughed at the sight of their angry faces. "Don't cry 'wolf' when there's no wolf!" They grumbled and went back down the hill.

Later, the boy did the same, "Wolf! Wolf! To his delight, he watched the villagers run to help him again. When the villagers saw no wolf they sternly said, "Don't cry 'wolf' when there is NO wolf!" The boy just grinned.

That afternoon he saw a REAL wolf prowling about his flock. "Wolf! Wolf!" But the villagers thought he was fooling them again so they didn't come.

At sunset, everyone wondered why the shepherd boy hadn't returned to the village with their sheep. They went up the hill to find the boy weeping. "There really was a wolf here! I cried out, why didn't you come?" "Nobody believes a liar...even when he is telling the truth!" they said.



In Other News...

- **Warm Weather**

A quick reminder to please apply sun cream/lotion to your child/ren before the school day and bring in a water bottle. Children will be able to refill their water bottles throughout the day. We will use the forest area to provide some shade but it is important children wear a named sunhat. Please do not bring in sun-glasses or fans as these have the potential to get lost/broken.

- **Summer Reading Challenge**

The Reading Agency, along with the UK public library network, delivers the Summer Reading Challenge across the country every year. It is the UK's biggest annual reading promotion for children aged four to eleven.

The Challenge will begin in libraries on **Saturday 5th July** and end on **Saturday 6th September**.

To take part in the Challenge children need to read six books of their choice that they have borrowed from the library or downloaded from our [e-book library](#) over the summer holidays. They are given rewards for each book they read and a certificate and medal if they manage to complete the Challenge.

The Challenge is for all children, whatever their reading ability. Children who are not reading independently can share their books with a family member or friend, or they might prefer to listen to audio books. We have materials to enable children with additional needs to participate as well. You can find out more about these by emailing library.enquiries@eastsussex.gov.uk or by speaking to your local library contact.

Children can be signed up at www.eastsussex.gov.uk/src They will need to login to their library account (library card number and PIN) to complete the registration process.





Friends of Fermor



Our Summer Fair and Raffle is this Saturday!



Last chance to buy your raffle tickets and games tokens

Raffle tickets and games tokens will be available to purchase via ParentPay or by emailing friends@fermorschool.org.uk until tomorrow (Tuesday 24th June). After that, both will be available to purchase at the summer fair. The raffle draw will take place at the fair at 4pm.

Dress down day – this Friday

We are holding a pyjama dress down day on Friday 27th June, when we'll invite you to donate a prize for our raffle hampers. Each year group is being asked to provide a different 'vintage-themed' prize:

Year 6 - Great British Bake Off (eg baking equipment, baking ingredients, cake decorations, cupcake cases, baking books, aprons)

Year 5 - A day at the seaside (eg sun tan lotion, flip flops, cool bags, sun hats, beachcombing books, buckets and spades, inflatables, water bottles)

Year 4 - A picnic in the countryside (eg picnic food and drink, picnic crockery and cutlery, picnic blankets, insect repellents)

Year 3 - Afternoon tea (eg cakes, tea, savoury snacks, serviettes, doilies, biscuits, jam, sparkling wine)

Year 2 - Sports day (eg frisbees, bat and ball sets, water pistols, footballs, skipping ropes, books about sport, water bottles, caps)

Year 1 - Rainy day games (eg adult or child board games, card games, indoor toys)

EYFS - Let's get creative (eg adult or child arts and crafts supplies, Hobbycraft vouchers, craft books, craft sets, colouring in books)

If you are donating any food or drink, please ensure that it does not require refrigeration and that the best before/use by date is no earlier than the end of July.

Cake stall donations – Friday 27th June

We'll also have our usual cake stall at the fair, so we're asking for baked donations on Friday 27th, please bring these at pick up and leave them at the school entrance.

Alternatively, you're welcome to drop them off when you come to the fair on Saturday.

Your cakes and bakes must not include nuts, and we need a full list of ingredients.

Shop bought is of course also fine if you don't have time to bake!

The FoFS Team



FOFS FACEBOOK

Teaching and Learning: Photo Gallery

