

SHF NEWS

Monday 11th November 2024



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.

Hopefully you've had a lovely start to the new term and getting excited about the Christmas activities that are planned for later this month and December.

Today, Year 6 had the privilege of joining other schools and members of the community to lay the **beautiful wreath** they created in memory of all those that fought for their country in the World Wars. Just before 11am, we joined together at Chapel Green to pay our respects, with the rest of the school having their own moment of reflection in school.



On Friday, I was disturbed from my work by a LOT of laughter outside the office. As I walked out, I was met by our staff in training for Friday's **Children in Need 'Wheels' Challenge**. Check out the 'In Other News' section to find out how to donate and support their efforts.

I also want to take this opportunity to say congratulations to **Miss Keats** for her 10 years of service to Sir Henry Fermor. Thank you for your continuous commitment in various different roles supporting the children.

Please look out for an email coming out today as an exciting opportunity has arisen to join the Local Governing Body (LGB) as a **parent governor**. Nominations to be received by midday on Monday 25th November.

Don't forget to visit the Scholastic Book Fair this week!

Safeguarding

Some of your children may enjoy playing with Lego. The NSPCC has teamed up with LEGO to develop resources that can help families talk to each other about online safety. If this is something you think your family would enjoy exploring, please follow the link below:

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

LEGO® Build & Talk

A core part of the NSPCC's 10-year strategy is to ensure children are safe online. To help achieve this we've teamed up with the LEGO Group to help promote their fun, free [Build & Talk activities](#). The six 'adventures' help parents and caregivers talk with their children about key online safety topics through the joy of LEGO play.



Key Dates

Monday 11th – Friday 15th November

Anti-bullying/Friendship Week
Scholastic Book Fair

Tuesday 12th November
New Volunteers
Safeguarding Training

Wednesday 13th November
New EVFS 2025 open afternoon

Friday 15th November
Children in Need
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

Thursday 21st November
Phonics lessons for parents—EVFS and KS1

Wednesday 27th November
Year 5 leading the service at All Saints Church
New EVFS 2025 open afternoon

Thursday 28th November
FOFS Christmas Wreath Workshop

Friday 29th November
Staff and Parent Prayers
8.20-8.30am

Saturday 30th November
FOFS CHRISTMAS FAIR
12-3pm

Friday 6th December
EVFS Nativity (Time TBC)

Monday 9th December
KS1 Nativity pm (Time TBC)

Tuesday 10th December
KS1 Nativity am (Time TBC)

Thursday 12th December
Christmas dinner and wearing Christmas jumpers

Friday 13th December
Father Christmas in the Forest and wearing Christmas jumpers

Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th December
FOFS Secret Shopper Sessions

Tuesday 17th December
KS2 Carol Service at All Saints Church, 6pm

Wednesday 18th December
I-Rock Concert KS1 Hall

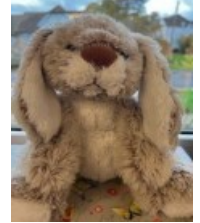
All term dates are available on our [website](#).



Uniform

Well done to Everley in 1R who received the **Uniform Unicorn** this week for setting the high standard of wearing smart uniform. See the [website](#) for more information.

Attendance



Congratulations to **1R** for their attendance of 98.7% this week — a new class takes the top spot!

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

4M (98%), **Owls** (97.6%), **5M** (96.6%), **2C** (96%) and **3B** (also 96%).

Gold Book

To ensure children can celebrate their Gold Book learning with parents/carers, we are photocopying the work, where possible, to be shared at home. Well done for your fantastic learning:

Hedgehogs: Mia for fantastic writing during discovery time.

Subject in the Spotlight: English

Just a reminder that we are running a Scholastic Book Fair after school from Monday 11th - Thursday 14th November, bringing you an unbeatable range of the latest and best children's books. Every book that you buy for your child will earn free books for our school library! Last year, you exceeded all expectations and we were also able to restock every classroom's book corner with many new titles.

We hope to see you there!



In Other News...

- SEND Surveys**

A reminder that an email was sent just before the weekend advising that East Sussex has received notification of their SEND inspection. This inspection provides an independent, external evaluation of the effectiveness of our local area partnership's arrangements for children and young people with SEND.

Link to the survey: [Area SEND inspection for East Sussex Local Area Partnership \(smartsurvey.co.uk\)](https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/area-send-inspection-for-east-sussex-local-area-partnership)

The survey link is open and will remain open until **9am on 12 November 2024**.

- Children in Need Challenge**

The staff at Sir Henry Fermor School have been doing some serious training for our Children in Need event on Friday the 15th November. We are following in Paddy's footsteps and doing the 'Roll On' challenge. Please do sponsor us on the link below and thank you so much to those who already have!

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/sirhenryfermor-1729602430124>

Theme of the Month: Courage

'Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.' Joshua 1:9

How can parents help children to show courage?

Parents have a powerful influence on their children's development and understanding of what courage is. It is up to us to define courage and point it out when we see it demonstrated by using news stories, television programs, movies or books as learning tools.

We can use everyday situations for our children to demonstrate courage by encouraging them to:

- * participate in a new class,
- * master new skills and persist in the face of frustration
- * refuse to go along with the crowd when the crowd is doing something wrong or dangerous

Most importantly, praise them when they demonstrate courage and teach them that sometimes asking for help takes courage.



Friends of Fermor



Thank you all for your generations to the chocolate tombola - it promises to be a great fundraiser at the **Christmas Fair on Saturday 30th November!**

There are also lots of other ways the whole school community can help to make the big day a success, including:

Volunteering to help on the day - sign up now at [FoFS Christmas Fair 2024 – Signup Sheet | SignUp.com](#)

- Filling and decorating a 'mystery bag' for our hook a bag stall
- Sending preloved children's books in for the book stall
- Donating a raffle prize, or asking your company to
- Bringing jars to the office for the craft stall
- Baking (or buying) a cake to bring on the day



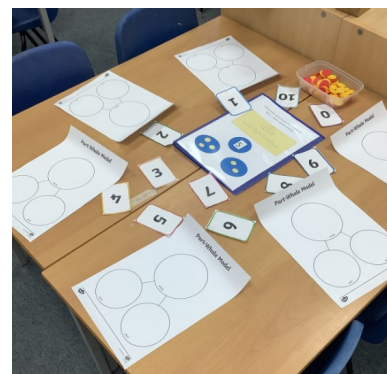
Mystery bags will be coming home on Friday, and the class with the most bags returned by **Monday 25th November** will win a class prize!

We also have our **Father Christmas in the Forest** and **Secret Shopping** events coming up in December, so lots for the children (and FoFS!) to look forward to!

Finally, there are **just a few remaining tickets** for our **Wreath Workshop** on **Thursday 28th November** - email fast if you would like a ticket!

If you would like to join FoFS, drop us an email at friends@fermorschool.org.uk. We'd love to have you on the team!

Teaching and Learning: Photo Gallery



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