

SHF NEWS

Monday 30th September 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.

Day	Staff	Club	Times
Monday	Miss Rose	KS1 Colouring Club in 1R	12:30 – 13:00
	Mrs Edwards	KS2 Writing Club in 6JP	12:30 – 13:00
	Miss Fuller	Lego Club in 6F	12:15 – 12:45
Tuesday	Mrs Miller	KS2 Film Club in 5M	12:15 – 12:45
	Miss Jarvis	Abacus Club in 6JP	12:15 – 12:45
	Mrs Jeffs	Reading Club in the library	12:45 – 13:10

Day	Staff	Club	Times
Wednesday	Mrs Koch	KS1 Film Club in 2K	12:30 – 13:00
	Miss Williams	Board Games and Sudoku Club in 4G	12:45 – 13:15
	Mrs Piper	Cheerleading Club in KS2 Hall	12:15 – 12:45
Thursday	Mrs Price	KS2 TT Rock Stars Club in 6JP	12:15 – 12:45
	Miss Matthews	Craft Club in 4M	12:45 – 13:15
	Mrs Crumble	Lego Club in 2C	12:30 – 13:00

Last week we proudly showcased our school for prospective new families at our new EYFS open afternoon and evening. Well done to our new **Year 6 Ambassadors** for confidently sharing their knowledge and love of our school.

We look forward to meeting at All Saints Church once again this week as we celebrate our **Harvest Festival**. Years 1-6 will have their service on Wednesday whereas EYFS will have theirs on Thursday as this is their first visit to the Church. Year 6 are fortunate to attend two services this week as they will accompany their buddies on Thursday.

It was two years ago that we first explored the idea of setting up a **staff and parent prayers** session held at school. It is a lovely way to end the week with our next session this Friday 4th October. Anyone is welcome to join us from 8.20-8.30am via the school office.

We continue to be grateful for our dedicated staff whereby our MDSAs and TAS ensure children benefit from the fresh air at lunch time and our teachers give up their time to run **guided clubs**. We are fortunate to have a wide

variety of **lunch clubs** and **after school clubs** on offer.

Have a wonderful first week of October!



Safeguarding



It is that time of year again when the daylight is starting to get shorter and the darker nights are setting in. This is the perfect time to revisit top tips for staying safe, when walking to and from school alone (Children in Year 5 & 6).

If you are planning a discussion with your child, 'First News' have some top tips to help children think about the different ways they can help keep themselves safe.

<https://www.firstnews.co.uk/talking-points/tips-and-advice/childrens-safety/top-tips-for-children-walking-to-school-alone/>

Key Dates

Tuesday 1st October
Year 6 Health Screening

Wednesday 2nd October
Year 1-6 Harvest Festival at All Saints Church
Years 3 and 4 Boys' Football Tournament
1.30pm Volunteer initial safeguarding training (booking required)

Thursday 3rd October
Owls and Hedgehogs (EYFS) and Year 6 only Harvest Festival at All Saints Church
2-3pm Volunteer initial safeguarding training (booking required)

Friday 4th October
8.20-8.30am Staff and Parent Prayers

Saturday 5th October
FOFS Bingo Night

Thursday 10th October
World Mental Health Day

Tuesday 22nd October
Parent Consultation Evening
3.30-6pm

Thursday 24th October
Parent Consultation Evening
4.30-7pm

Friday 25th October
FOFS pyjama dress-down day
Last day of Term 1

Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November
Half Term

Monday 4th November
INSET Day

Tuesday 5th November
First day of Term 2

Wednesday 6th November
New EYFS 2025 open evening.
Year 6 leading the service at All Saints Church

Friday 8th November
FOFS colourful dress-down day

Wednesday 13th November
New EYFS 2025 open afternoon

Wednesday 27th November
New EYFS 2025 open afternoon

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

Theme of the Month: Growth Mindset

'I have the strength to face all conditions by the power that Christ gives me.' Phillipians 4:13

Our theme in Monday worships since the start of the term, alongside Growth Mindset, has been '**How we Flourish in the Fermor Family**.' We have really explored the word 'flourish.' My favourite definition is from the Oxford dictionary which says: '*to grow or develop in a healthy or vigorous way, especially as the result of a particularly congenial environment*,' which is what we want for all the members of our community to experience and we certainly work hard to make Fermor School a 'congenial' environment!

We need to use Growth Mindset in order to be able to flourish. We have explored the idea of turning negative thoughts into positive ones and how being positive is so important for keeping us happy and productive. Being a positive role model has also been a real focus. We have been noticing those who have been listening well and being polite. Some children were noticed for demonstrating kindness in their words and actions and empathy towards others. This week Miss Decker spoke about sharing, so for this week's challenge, we will be looking out for children sharing well. Next week Mrs Crumbie will address taking turns.

How we Flourish in the Fermor Family

- Following adult's instructions
- Listening when others are speaking
- Opening our minds to new opportunities
- Understanding ourselves (healthy body and mind)
- Respectful behaviour is shown
- Interacting politely
- Solving problems by talking
- Helping others and accepting help



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Subject in the Spotlight: Phonics

Supersonic Phonic Friends is designed and developed by Anna Lucas, a children's author, a literacy specialist, Phonics' expert and EYFS advisor. Child friendly characters and illustrations underpin our whole scheme. They are easy to remember with accompanying rhyming phrases that are consistently repeated in every lesson. Sir Henry Fermor is committed to supporting child-led learning and the idea 'play is the way' in the Early Years Foundation Stage. Every lesson is fun and engaging. The lessons are enriched with movement, a fundamental pre-writing skill and maximising learning connections.

Recently Mrs Golding and Miss Decker delivered a Parents Phonic Workshop to Early Years, you will find the Parents Phonic Workshop on the website by following this path.

[Home](#) >> [Key Information](#) >> [Curriculum](#) >> [Phonics](#)

Do look out for upcoming dates for opportunities to observe a Phonics lesson. If you have any questions regarding Reading and Phonics don't hesitate to ask your child's Class Teacher.

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:

2C: Molly for wonderful improvements with her handwriting.

4M: Winter, Kai, Teddy and Tayla-Rae for writing excellent sentences to create suspense.

4WG: Oban and Felix for their presentation and effort in maths.



Uniform

Well done to Paige C in 4M 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 **Owls** for their excellent attendance of 99% this week.

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

3B (98.1%), **1P** (97.9%), **2C** (97.4%) **1R** (96.3%), and **5M** (96%),

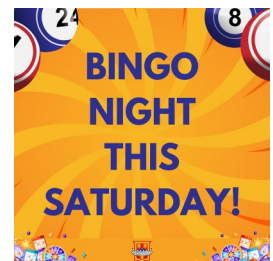


Friends of Fermor



What a fab Bag2School collection - thank you to those who braved the soggy weather with your bin bags last week! We hope to have the figure raised to share with you next week.

There's still time to buy tickets for our **adults-only BINGO night this Saturday!** Tickets are £5 each and you can buy them on ParentPay and by emailing friends@fermorschool.org.uk until Wednesday. You can also buy tickets on the door if you make a last minute decision to come!



A huge thank you to those of you who have already signed up to **easyfundraising** and **ASDA Cashpot for Schools**. If you haven't, here's a reminder of how to do so...

* **easyfundraising** - Create an account and choose Friends of Fermor school, do your online shopping via their website or app and many stores will donate a percentage to us! easyfundraising.org.uk/

* **Asda Cashpot for Schools** - Download and set up an ASDA Rewards account, collect rewards for yourself and select Sir Henry Fermor as your school. For every person who chooses our school, ASDA will donate £1, plus 0.5% of your shopping value to our Cashpot! groceries.asda.com/event/asda-rewards.

Planning is now well underway for the **Christmas Fair on Saturday 30th November, 12-3pm!** Make sure the date is on your calendar and keep your eyes peeled for more information coming soon.



Finally, if you would like to get more involved with FoFS, now is the perfect time - the autumn term is a really fun one! Please drop us an email at friends@fermorschool.org.uk and **come along to our meeting this week - Wednesday 2nd October at 7.30pm.**



In Other News...

Girls Football

On Wednesday, it was the girls' turn to compete in the Beacon Cluster year 5 and 6 girls football tournament. This team is newly formed and this was their first ever competition together, after having only had a few sessions. You never would have known, they played with

true determination and skill! The girls played 6 other local primary schools, managing to score a total of 3 goals throughout the afternoon. We are looking forward to seeing how this team progresses throughout the year! Well done girls!



Teaching and Learning: Photo Gallery

