

SHF NEWS

Monday 23rd 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.



The **weather** on Friday was rather unexpected but also provided wonderful learning opportunities. A child in **Owls** shared his understanding that the ice would melt faster in his hands as they were warm. Year 6 were almost conducting their own practical investigation into capacity and volume as water crept towards their classroom—thankfully it was Mr James to the rescue!



The whole school watched in awe as **6F and 6JP** shared **performance poetry** inspired by their visit from the poet Brian Moses earlier in the week. The musical accompaniment and well-held rhythm had the audience bobbing their heads along with the poems performed.

We are beginning to share SHF with prospective new families as we lead our first **open afternoon and evening** this Wednesday. If you know anyone looking for a place next September, more details can be found [here](#).



Safeguarding

Who is a "Trusted Adult"?

Trusted adults are people whose words and actions make you feel safe. Trusted adults act this way both online and offline.

Actions

Trusted adults...

- Listen to you when you have a problem or question
- Help you and make you feel safe
- Respect your body and your personal space

Words

Trusted adults say things like...

- "I'll answer your questions."
- "You can tell me if you have a problem."
- "I care about what you think."

It is important to remember that very occasionally people who children think are their 'trusted' adult sadly do not make them feel safe and may act in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable. It is important that we have discussions with children around the importance of ensuring that they understand that just because someone is a 'trusted' adult, it doesn't mean that their behaviour is always appropriate. We need to encourage children to speak out to an adult who makes them feel safe, if they ever experience a situation that makes them feel uncomfortable, so it can be addressed quickly.

Key Dates

Wednesday 25th September

New EYFS 2025 open afternoon and evening

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

Thursday 3rd October

Owls and Hedgehogs (EYFS) and Year 6 only Harvest Festival at All Saints Church

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

FOF 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

Wednesday 13th November

New EYFS 2025 open afternoon

Wednesday 27th November

New EYFS 2025 open afternoon

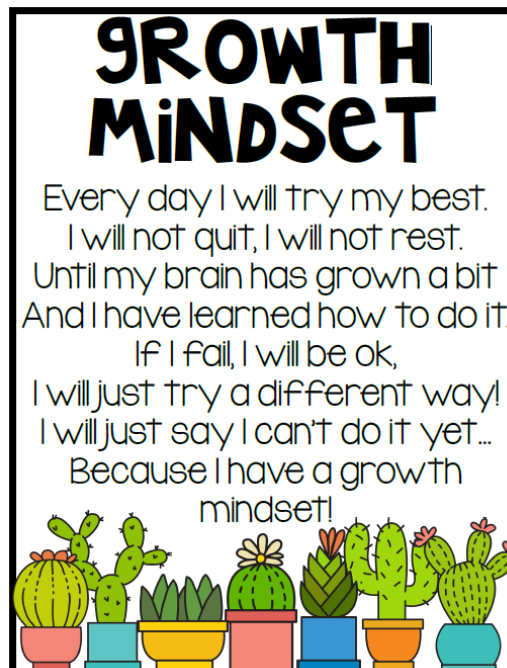
Friday 20th December

Last day of Term 2

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



Subject in the Spotlight: Physical Education (PE)

This week saw the start of a new year for the Beacon Cluster sporting events! A group of 12 year 5 and 6 boys participated in the annual football tournament, playing against 9 other local schools. We had two teams and both played a total of 6 games.

Team A came 9th and team B came 10th. The boys showed great determination and sportsmanship throughout and really showed off the **football** knowledge and skills against some tough teams!



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:

3J: Thomas and Daniel for demonstrating their pronunciation in Latin and being role-models.

Hannah for the impressive amount of writing when summarising *The Egyptian Cinderella*.
Olivia for making her own mountain model after being inspired by learning in school.

5N: Bertie for excellent personification about a dark forest.



Uniform

Well done to Shreya in 2C 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 exceptional attendance of 100% this week.

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

3B (99.1%), **6JP** (97.8%) **2C** (97.9%), and **1P** (96.2%).

Keep it up!



Friends of Fermor



Our **Bag2School** collection is tomorrow, **Tuesday, 24th September!** Items should be donated in black bin bags, and can be brought to school anytime between 7-9am. The collection site is the sheltered area by the Key Stage 2 library (Year 4 Classroom entrance). Items should be donated in tightly-tied black bin bags, please, to prevent the contents getting wet - Bag2School will not collect soggy donations!

WE ACCEPT the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags and Hats
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Socks and Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen, curtains, towels and bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



We DO NOT accept:

- Duvets and blankets or Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material



FOFS FACEBOOK

In Other News...

Playtime Games

All children have been reminded that it is not safe to play any lifting or carrying games of one another. There are lots of lunch time clubs and equipment to keep children entertained so if children are seen being unsafe, they will be directed indoors.

Key Stage Two Music clubs

Music clubs started last week with many new members. We now have a school orchestra, recorder club and flourishing choir with lots of performances planned for this term and next, in the lead up to Christmas.

If your child would like to join in with any of these opportunities, please see the letter [here](#) on the music pages of the school website.

Teaching and Learning: Photo Gallery

