



NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 1
15 JANUARY 2019

WIMBORNE
Academy Trust

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back!

I would like to begin by wishing everyone in the Hayeswood community a very Happy New Year, and also to thank you for making me feel so welcome in my first week at Hayeswood. I have already met lots of you on the gate in the morning and have visited all of the classes to see the children at work: Hayeswood is evidently a very happy and purposeful school community and I am very much looking forward to being your new Headteacher! I must express my thanks to Mrs Gerrett and the whole team of staff at Hayeswood, who have all been very supportive during this time of change.

As you are aware, I am dividing my time between Hayeswood and Colehill on an equal footing, and I plan to be in school on a near-daily basis. I am working closely with Deputy Headteachers Mrs Fairman and Mrs Richardson, who together with myself, make up the new Hayeswood Leadership Team. Hayeswood and Colehill staff are already working closely together on training and development activities and are already learning from each others' expertise. I will update you further in subsequent newsletters.



Closure in the Event of Adverse Weather

At this time of year, it seems appropriate just to remind everyone about our adverse weather procedures. On very rare occasions, during extreme adverse weather, there may be a need to close our schools. This is always a decision of last resort, and only taken when it is clear that we cannot open and run the school safely. We will endeavour to advise parents of closure via the school website by **7am at the latest**. The website will have a bright, unmissable banner on the front page if the school is closed! Additionally, information on school closures

is also available via other sources. **Local radio** stations broadcast emergency information regarding school closures. These include BBC Radio Solent on 96.1 FM, Wave 105 on 105.8 FM, and Heart Radio on 102.3 FM. The radio stations have all asked schools to remind parents not to phone them directly, but to listen for announcements which will be broadcast at very regular intervals. School closure information can be also accessed via the **Dorsetforyou website** by following this link:<http://mapping.dorsetforyou.com/closedservices>

Let us hope that none of this will be necessary, but, should the 'Beast from the East' return, at least everyone will be able to get the latest information!

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Turrall

School Diary Dates



All school diary dates are now on the Hayeswood First School website, accessible via the link [here](#).

Please do refer back to the website regularly for the latest information. We will continue to send links to the diary page via each subsequent newsletter.

We welcome all constructive feedback on any information contained within our website.

Headteacher Awards

We will be continuing with Headteacher Awards, as these are hugely popular and valued by the children, but there will be a slight change in the way the system works. As from this term, class teachers will identify achievements made by the children and recommend them for an award. Celebration assemblies will now take place on a Monday, and all children receiving awards will be congratulated and given their sticker in the Monday assembly. When children have received 3 awards they will be entitled to an additional prize from Mr Turrall, Mrs Richardson or Mrs Fairman.



A Message from CoMad (Colehill Music and Drama Group)

'HOW TO PUT THE 'FUN' IN FUNDRAISING AND SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL AS WELL!'



***Come! See a fairy tale unfold, a tale that often has been told,
Of sweet Snow White and bitter Queen, of magic mirror all serene,
Of seven dwarves and silly Dame (though our dwarves don't have Disney names!)
The handsome prince we'll have as well, the huntsman snared by wicked spell,
A pompous old Lord Chamberlain, a lad who loves Snow White in vain –
This last, a gentle chap called Andy, will find the audience's help quite handy!***

Twenty years ago, in 1999, Co.MaD performed "Cinderella", their first ever pantomime, in aid of Colehill First School. Their third, "Aladdin" in 2001, was in aid of Hayeswood First School.

2019's pantomime "Snow White" will take place on Fri to Sun, 8th to 10th February (7.30 Fri, 2.30 Sat, 7.30 Sat, 2.30 Sun) at Colehill Memorial Hall BH21 2LS. Donations from the proceeds will go to **both** Colehill and Hayeswood First Schools.

Tickets £7 Adult, £5 Child (up to 16) available from Hilary on 01202 886303.

Wimborne Academy Trust News

This term we welcome two new first schools to our Trust: these are Verwood CE First School and Hillside First School, Verwood.

Additionally, as you will already have seen in the letter sent last week, Wimborne Academy Trust is in advanced talks with Queen Elizabeth's School about joining our family of schools. If this goes ahead it will be fantastic news for the whole community, as our schools feed directly into the upper school and this would mean we provide seamless and outstanding education provision from early years right through to sixth form. The Trustees and CEO will keep us updated throughout the process.

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Term and Holiday Dates for 2019

Spring Term 2019

Start: Tuesday 8th January 2019

Finish: Thursday 4th April 2019

Half Term: 18 – 22 February 2019

Training Days

Monday 7th January 2019

Friday 5th April 2019

Summer Term 2019

Start Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Finish Tuesday 23rd July 2019

May Day Monday 6th May 2019;

Half Term 27 - 31 May 2019

No Training Days

Autumn Term 2019

Start Wednesday 4 September 2019

Finish Friday 20 December 2019

Half Term 28 October - 1 November 2019

Training Days

Monday 2nd September 2019

Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Monday 4th November 2019