

Newsletter



What a wonderful and eventful half-term we've had! It's been heartwarming to see the children truly enjoying the themed days in school and, at the same time, raising awareness for such important causes. We truly appreciate the effort that goes into sourcing costumes and remembering all the school events. Thank you so much for your continued support.

Our recent 'Crazy Hair to Show We Care' day was such a fun highlight of the mid-term! The teachers had the chance to participate in CPD sessions with the 'My Time' charity before the day, and the children followed with a very insightful assembly that helped them understand how some children's lives are directly impacted. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to engage with something meaningful while having fun!

Science Week was another exciting occasion where the children delved into hands-on investigations, sparking their curiosity and creativity. A huge thank you to 'Mad Science,' and to the CFSA and HSA for supporting the funding of these sessions. The classrooms were buzzing with energy, and the fizzy explosions and experiments made it clear how much the children enjoyed it. It's always such a joy to see them so engaged in the wonders of science.

We're also thrilled to share that nearly all our families are now connected to Arbor—thank you for your support with this! Parents and carers can now easily report pupil absences on Arbor by accessing the attendance section, inputting the absence details, and submitting the request. No need to phone the school office if you've successfully recorded the absence on Arbor.

A big thank you to everyone who attended our parent evenings. It was truly wonderful to see so many proud children, even prouder families, and of course, our enthusiastic teachers. Sharing in the children's achievements is always such a special moment, and I hope you've found the next steps and targets useful. Any practice at home, especially with reading and mental maths, really helps the children build their fluency skills.

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter, and let's hope the sunshine continues to brighten our days!

Sarah fairman

World Book Day

We all love a dressing up day but at Colehill and Hayeswood we were also focused on the 'LOVE OF READING' side of World Book Day and enjoyed activities in class such as writing character descriptions, sharing favourite stories and swapping books with friends. We hope you have been able to make good use of the vouchers to purchase a new read.



Parking and Road Safety

Thank you for your support in parking safely around the schools and observing our plea to not use the school car park for drop-off and collection. We know school gates can be a frantic place and it is lovely to see so many children enjoying a walk to school.

Attendance and late arrivals

This half-term has seen a lot of illness and bugs. I hope you have managed to miss them and with the lighter mornings and evenings, there is a glimmer of hope for fewer bugs. Please refer to this useful document if you are unsure how long your child should be off school. [NHS LINK](#)

In class, the children begin work from 8:40am as soon the first child arrives in school. We can not express how important arriving on time is as this allows the children to settle quickly into the learning ahead.

Online Safety



Online safety is a fundamental part of our school's safeguarding and child protection measures. We have a whole school approach to online safety, and part of that approach is making parents aware of how they can help keep children safe online. Please take the time to read this expert advice and guidance from internetmatters.org by clicking [here](#)

Opal Update

We hope you were able to join us for the Opal Stay and Play session. We cannot tell you how much the children enjoy lunch times now. We know that 'Rough and Tumble' has caused some concern, we welcome your feedback and also thank you for sending positive comments about Opal.

HSA and CFSA Easter Egg Hunts

The buzz in both schools about the Easter Egg hunts is magic, thank you to HSA and CFSA for providing such lovely opportunities for the children and for working so hard behind the scenes to make them happen.

Church Visits

Both schools were blessed with fine weather for the visit to the church this term. It is nice to see the children singing and reading poems to share in a celebration of Easter. Thank you to Vicar Suzanne who leads the service and is a regular visitor in school assemblies.

School Nursing

The school nursing team are on hand should you need any advice ...

Parentline: Text 07312 263131

Handball Taster Session

What a fun time the children had in their handball taster sessions. Please contact the school office if your child would like to join the after school club.



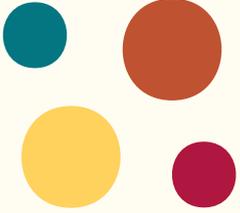
Samba Concert Year Three - Dorset Music Service



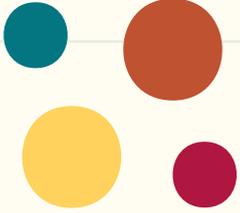
The Samba lessons were thoroughly enjoyed by the children and the concerts were amazing. Well done Year Three. I could honestly hear the drums when I was walking down Middlehill Road today!



Colehill Diary Dates



Tuesday 22nd April - Inset Day
Wednesday 23rd April - Pupils Return to school
Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday
Friday 9th May - Year 4 Visit to Winchester Science Museum
Friday 16th May - Year 3 and Year 4 Iron Age Experience
Tuesday 20th May - New Parents Evening
Thursday 22nd May - Year 4 Middle School Transition Assembly
Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - Half Term
Monday 2nd June - Pupils Return to School
Tuesday 10th June - Class Photographs
Wednesday 11th June - Year 4 Visit to Kingston Lacy
Thursday 12th June - Year 2 Visit to Hengistbury Head
Tuesday 24th June - Sports Day
Thursday 26th/Friday 27th June - Year 3 ATC Residential Trip
Monday 30th June - Arts week
Friday 4th July - Inset Day
Friday 11th July - Year 4 Wimborne Minster Leavers' Service
Friday 11th July - Summer Fair
Thursday 17th July - Year 4 Leavers Assembly - timings tbc
Wednesday 23rd July - Last day of Term



Hayeswood Diary Dates

Tuesday 22nd April - Inset Day
Wednesday 23rd April - Pupils return to school
Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday
Wednesday 14th May - Iron Age Day for Hedgehogs and Badgers
Monday 22nd May - Year 4 Middle School Transition Assembly
Wednesday 21st May - New Parents Evening
Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - Half Term
Monday 2nd June - Pupils return to School
Thursday 5th June - Year 2 trip to Hengistbury Head
Friday 6th June - Year 3 and 4 - Cranborne Countryside day
Thursday 19th June - Class photos
Wednesday 25th June - Sports Day
Friday 27th June - Transfer Day
Saturday 28th June - Summer Fair
Monday 30th June - Arts week
Friday 4th July - Inset Day
Friday 11th July - Year 4 Wimborne Minster Leavers' Service
Monday 14th - Tuesday 15th July - Year 4 residential Brenscombe Outdoor Centre
Monday 21st July - Year 4 Leavers Assembly
Wednesday 23rd July - Last day of Term