



Yarrells News

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Friday 11th January 2019

Dear Parents,

It's been a super start to the Spring term this week, with everyone bouncing into school happily after the holidays. There were some tired children arriving on Wednesday morning but they have now got back into the rhythm of school life and we have enjoyed some fabulous lessons and activities this week already!

As you might imagine, the newsletter is brief for three days of school, but watch this space - next week's edition will be jam packed full of exciting news about what your children have got up to in recent days. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy some shots of Christmas School!

I hope you have all got a copy of the calendar for the term ahead as well as the most recent edition of 'Attain', in which an article I have written about the benefits of independent education is a feature article. The opening paragraphs were snipped owing to word count restrictions, but we have published those here and on our Facebook page with a link to the online article so you can read it in its entirety.

I think my words in 'Attain' are particularly resonant given today's articles in the national news about the significant financial deficits state primary and secondary schools are carrying and the funding pressures they are having to manage. There can be no doubt that the impact of this funding pressure will be felt keenly in classrooms across the country. How fortunate that at Yarrells the leadership and management of the school is such that we continue to thrive, we attract high calibre staff who are totally committed to providing outstanding education in small classes and excellent pastoral care so that your children's formative years are carried in very capable and nurturing hands. I feel so very privileged to lead such a fabulous school and work with your precious children.

Have a great weekend and see you on Monday for the first full week!

Best wishes

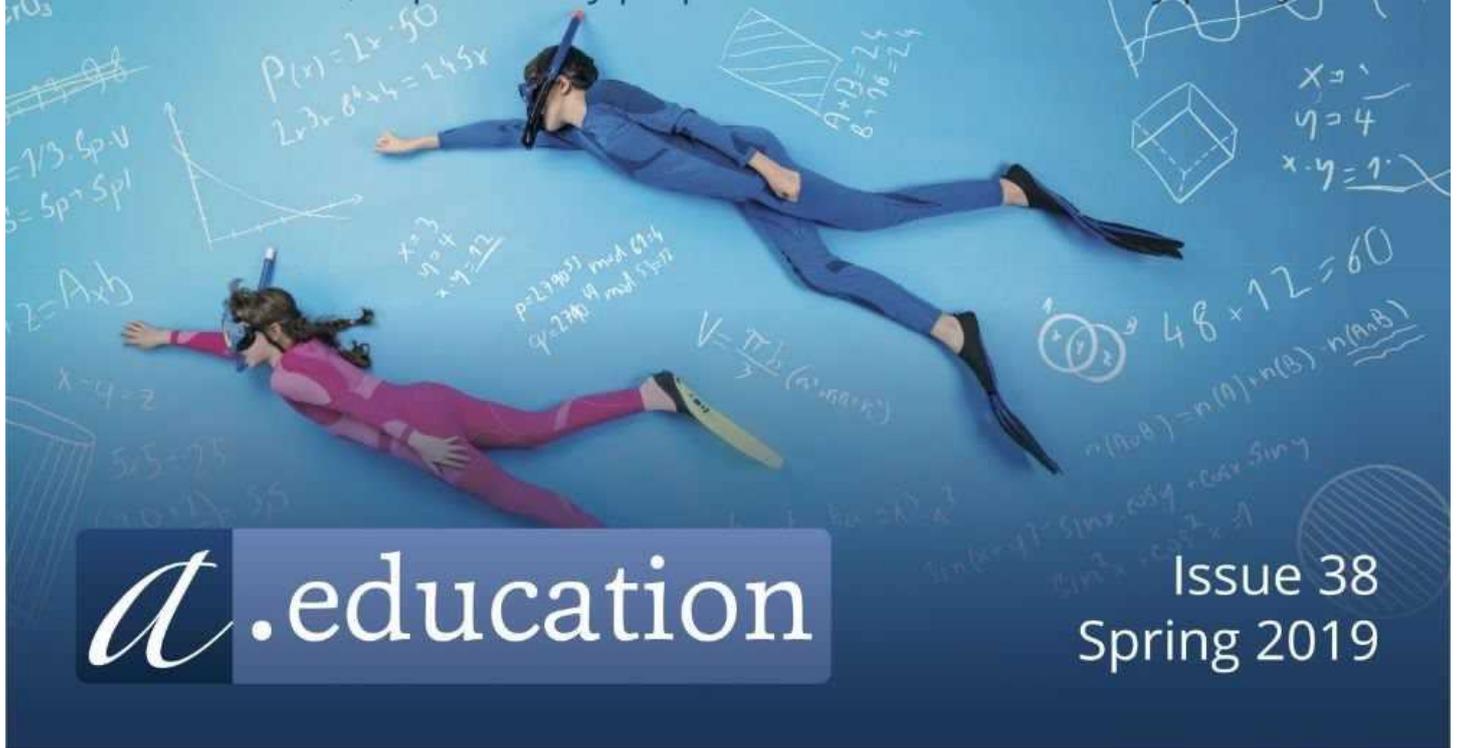
Mrs Sally Weber-Spokes
Head

Yarrells School Weekly Diary for week commencing 14th January 2019

| Day | Start Date | Time | Description & Location |
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| Monday | 14/01/2019 | 12:30 - 15:00 | Reception Trip to Hays Travel in Broadstone |
| | | 14:30 - 15:15 | Music Box - Parent and Toddler Group |
| Tuesday | 15/01/2019 | 09:30 - 12:00 | Transition Trip to Hays Travel in Broadstone |
| | | 10:00 - 10:30 | Happy Feet - Parent and Toddler Group |
| Wednesday | 16/01/2019 | 13:00 - 16:00 | Yr 4 Boys (SP) A Team Tag Rugby Tournament @ Dean Park |
| | | 07:00 - 08:00 | Swim Training (SP) @ Dolphin Swimming Pool |
| | | 14:15 - 15:45 | Yr 5 B team (SP) Boys Rugby v Ballard @ Upton Rec |
| Thursday | 17/01/2019 | 14:15 - 15:45 | Yr 6 Boys Rugby v Ballard @ Upton Rec |
| | | 10:00 - 11:00 | Mini-Monets - Parent and Toddler Group |
| | | 11:00 - 14:15 | Yrs 6-8 (SP) Dorset Schools Cross Country Championships @ Kings Park Athletic Centre Bournemouth, BH7 7AF |
| Friday | 18/01/2019 | 14:00 - 16:15 | Year 4 (SP) Maths Challenge at Bryanston School |
| | | 09:00 - 10:00 | FOYS Coffee Morning |
| | | 14:00 - 16:15 | Year 6 (SP) Maths Challenge |
| | | 14:30 - 15:15 | 4MG Class Assembly - Parents invited |
| | | 15:30 - 16:30 | Swim Training (SP) @ Canford Swimming Pool |

Is it really worth it?

Sending your child to a prep school is a very serious financial outlay but the benefits are considerable. Sally Weber-Spokes, Head of Yarrells School, explains why prep education is worth every penny.



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It is Sunday afternoon and the moment is precious. The working week ahead isn't looming too closely, and you smile as you watch your youngest child racing about in the garden pretending to be an astronaut rocketing into space whilst your eldest is concocting potions with abandon in the kitchen. She presents said potion to you, announcing she has created a brilliant invention.

'Mummy,' she says proudly, 'I am going to be an inventor when I grow up and I am going to cure all diseases so that everyone can be healthy!'

This announcement is touching but suddenly you experience a revelation: your children are going to grow up and become adults – they will inhabit the future. What will they become? You want to be the best parent you can be, but feel anxious: are you doing enough?

The burden of responsibility suddenly weighs heavily and your thoughts turn once again to school. There are now 34 children in your daughter's class and your son's nursery setting seems lacking in warmth – do they really know your children? Are they getting the best out of them?

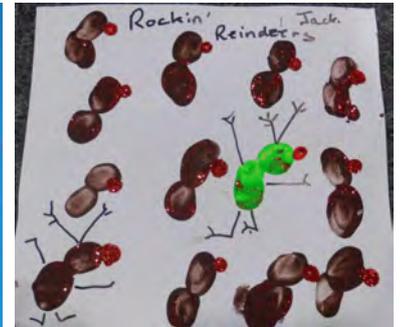
You re-visit the website of your local Prep school and experience a pang: the children look so happy; they appear to engage in so many activities and enjoy such a rich and varied education. You click again on the admissions tab but wince at the fee structure. You have discussed the prospect of independent education with your partner numerous times already and you know that it is just about do-able financially, but gosh it would be tight, and could you sustain the finances for the whole of your children's educational journey? You come back to the central issue yet again:

Would a Prep education for your two small people really be worth the financial sacrifice?

[Click here](https://attain.education/spring2019/is-it-really-worth-it) to read the full article: <https://attain.education/spring2019/is-it-really-worth-it>



We had a wonderful time at Christmas School 2018 and it really was a fun packed week full of different activities. The children took part in a huge variety of activities such as badminton, yoga, cooking, a trip to Kingston Lacy, archery, football, made squishies, computing, went on a Christmas hunt, craft, bingo and we even had time for a disco. The children and staff all had a wonderful time and it was a fantastic end to 2018. A big thank you to all the staff and children who made it a fantastic week. [I am already making plans for Easter School which will be the first week of the Easter holidays Monday 1st April to Friday 5th April.](#) In a few weeks time I will be sending home the booking forms. Come along and have some fun!



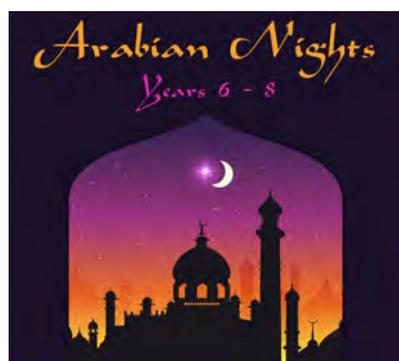
YARRELLS EASTER SCHOOL DATES
MONDAY 1 APRIL TO FRIDAY 5 APRIL 2019

Early Years



We decided that Mrs Weber-Spokes needed a holiday so we invited her to 'Greenwood Travel'. She booked a 6 week holiday to Australia by plane and was delighted to know it would not cost her anything!

Our topic has got off to a flying start and the children are so excited about booking holidays for each other. We are off to India next week; we will be boarding a plane and getting our passport stamped. We can't wait to try the local cuisine and learn some traditional dance.



CHANGE OF DATE - YEAR 6 – 8 PLAY

The Years 6 – 8 are performing **ARABIAN NIGHTS**, the tale of Scheherazade and how she kept the Sultan happy by telling 1001 tales.

PERFORMANCE DATES:

Monday 18th March 2019 at 9.30am (performance to school)

Tuesday 19th March 2019 at 6.30pm – performance to parents

(This change is due to sporting events on Wednesday 20th March 2019.)

Thursday 21st March 2019 at 6.30pm – performance to parents

CAN I ASK ALL PARENTS TO ENSURE THAT THEIR CHILD WILL BE IN SCHOOL ON THESE DATES. IF YOU KNOW THAT YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT, THEN PLEASE LET ME KNOW THIS WEEK, AS THIS WILL HELP MY CASTING DECISIONS.

HOCKEY NATION
BE PART OF IT

GIVE HOCKEY A GO!

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PLAY OR WATCH - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Wimborne Wayfarers Hockey Club - Training Nights

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| Boys and girls aged 6 - 9 | Tuesdays 1800 - 1850 |
| Boys and girls aged 10 - 13 | Tuesdays 1850 - 1940 |
| Mens (including boys 14+) | Tuesdays 1930 - 2100 |
| Ladies (including girls 14+) | Wednesdays 1930 - 2100 |

Queen Elizabeth School, Wimborne

Contact:
Mike Harvey
07968 120397

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Wimborne WAYFARERS HOCKEY CLUB

We are a vibrant family club in Dorset, aiming to develop hockey for all ages and abilities.

TRAINING TIMES

Mens:
Tuesdays – 8.00pm til 9.30pm

Ladies:
Wednesdays – 7.30pm til 9.00pm

Junior:
7-9 yrs: Tuesdays – 6:00pm til 7:00pm
10-13 yrs: Tuesdays – 7:00pm til 8:00pm

Training held on the Astroturf at **Queen Elizabeth's Leisure Centre, Wimborne. BH21 4DT**

Contact us for more info via the website
www.wimbornewayfarershc.co.uk



Dorset's Premiere Netball Club, Established in 1998, are inviting juniors aged between 8-14 years to come and join us learn and have fun!



- Poole Netball Club is CAPS accredited.
- Coaches are DBS checked
- Tailored to all abilities.
- Accredited UKCC Coaches.
- Learn and improve skills in a fun and safe environment.
- Getting the best out of young people.



GIVE IT A TRY – FIRST SESSION FREE

....., you have been invited to a free trial session with Poole Netball Club!
(Please contact us to confirm your space)

When
Thursdays 5-6pm

Where
Talbot Heath School
Rothesay Road,
Bournemouth,
BH4 9NJ

More Information
Contact:
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COFFEE CONCERT

SUNDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2019 4PM
St John's Church Hall, Macaulay Rd, Broadstone
BH18 8AR

Our extremely popular Coffee Concert where local young talented students perform a selection of classics, while the audience enjoy Debra's popular homemade cakes with tea or coffee.

Tickets must be purchased in advance for this event from:

Hintons, Broadstone,
by telephone on 01202 695773,
or online through our website.

Tickets: £10 adults, £6 students
(Includes a drink and a cake.)



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IDOMENEO & FRIENDS FROM THE BSO

SUNDAY 7TH APRIL 2019 4PM
St John's Church, Macaulay Rd, Broadstone
BH18 8AR

Schubert String Quintet in C major
Brahms String Sextet No.1

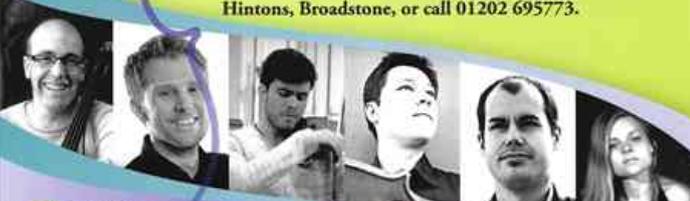
Tickets: £12 adults, £3 students
(Interval tea and cake included.)

Tickets available in advance online, from
Hintons, Broadstone, or call 01202 695773.

Special post-concert meal,
only 20 spaces.

CARGO LOUNGE

See website for details.



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EASTER WORKSHOPS

PIANO DAY — 17th March 2019, 9.30–5pm

Talbot Heath School Music Department, Talbot Woods BH4 9NJ
Age 10 – 18 Grade 3 – 8 plus
Led by distinguished concert pianist Béla Hartmann and other expert tutors.
£25 for the day. (30 spaces – to avoid disappointment apply ASAP!)



STRING DAY — 8th April 2019, 9.30–4.30pm

Yarrells School, Upton BH16 5EU
Age 10 – 18, Grade 1 – 8 plus
Led by Fiona Mclean-Buechel (Trinity Laban London). String ensemble coaching with a final performance. Supporting tutors include string players from the BSO.
£20 for the day. (Enquire through website for details and application form.)



BRASS DAY — 27th April 2019, 10.30–5pm

Yarrells School, Upton BH16 5EU
Age 10 – 18, Grade 1 – 8 plus
Led by renowned trumpeter Neil Thomas, a day of fun and informative brass workshops alongside visiting young brass players from Kingston Music Service. Supporting tutors invited from BSO brass section.
£10 for the day. (Enquire through website for details and application form.)



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