



# NEWSLETTER 6

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that all children, parents / carers and families had an enjoyable and, dare I say, restful, half term break?! We are looking forward to a busy few weeks in the run-up to Easter and this Newsletter contains details of all forthcoming events. In addition, parent consultations are scheduled during March, so please do make sure you have made an appointment to see your child/ren's class teacher/s for an update on their progress. Look out for a separate Parent Mail in the near future, detailing appointment times.

Finally, I am sure you will join me in wishing Miss Self a speedy recovery following her surgery last week. We look forward to welcoming her back to school after the Easter break.

Yours sincerely,

*Andrew Turrall*



## School Diary Dates



The latest school diary dates can always be found on the Colehill First School website, accessible via the link [here](#).

Please do refer back to the website regularly for the latest information. We welcome all constructive feedback on any information contained within our website.

## Attendance Update

We appreciate that during the current season there have been numerous absences caused by various winter bugs. Despite this, the current attendance figure for the school as a whole is **97.3%** which remains above the national figure. Thank you to everyone for your continued support with attendance!



## Singing Workshops - Thursday 7th March 2019

Dorset Music Service are once again providing whole school singing workshops for local schools This year, the focus is on learning a song which has multiple parts. On Thursday 7th March, Colehill First pupils will be participating in their workshop, led by Liz Radford, our music teacher, on behalf of DMS.



## World Book Day 2019 - Celebration Day Friday 8th March



This year World Book Day is on 7th March. On **Friday 8th March**, Colehill First School is inviting all pupils to **bring a book to school containing a favourite or well-loved book character**. We will be celebrating with a special day of book-related events, including story telling swaps, and pupils will be invited to share their favourite characters and their descriptions. So, if your child loves Fantastic Mr Fox, or The Cat in the Hat, or Harry Potter, or Miffy the Rabbit or any other well known or not so well-known character, bring that book in on 7th March! All books brought to school need to be named so they can be returned to their rightful owners should they go astray. Thank you for your support!

### Comic Relief 2019



As in previous years, we will be marking Red Nose Day on Friday 15 March with a 'mufti' day, when children can come to school wearing their very own choice of bright attire for a minimum suggested donation of £1 towards this worthwhile cause. As always with non-uniform days, clothing needs to be practical and safe, so please no open toed shoes, flip flops, stilettos etc!! Also, please avoid sending your child to school wearing make-up or hair dye as these can all too readily

transfer. **Thank you for your support!**

### Easter Service at St Michael's Church: 2nd April 2019

On **Tuesday 2nd April**, we are asking parents / carers to walk pupils to, or drop them at, St Michael's Church Centre in Colehill Lane. All staff will be at the Church Centre from 8.45 a.m, **so please do not drop your child off at school on this morning!** Registers will be taken in the Church Centre at the usual time of 8.55 a.m. The service will begin at 9.05 a.m. in the church and parents are welcome to stay. Afterwards, the children will walk back to school and so we would be most grateful for any offers of parental help to walk the children back. Please let your child's teacher or school office staff know if you are able to help. Thank you!



### Easter Egg Hunt 3rd April

Children in all year groups are invited to take part in our annual Easter Egg Hunt after school on Wednesday 3rd April. There will be refreshments and cakes on sale. The CFSA will also be holding an egg decorating competition. More details will follow.

## Term and Holiday Dates for 2019

### Spring Term 2019

Finish: Thursday 4th April 2019

**Training Day**

*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*

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