Noadswood

Fit for learning, fit for life

Welcome

WELCOME to Noadswood! It is my pleasure and privilege to introduce you to our school, a place where we genuinely understand the importance of the decision you are making in entrusting us with your child. It's a school in which we will always work in partnership with your child and with you so that they feel happy, safe, enjoy coming to school and make the best academic progress possible, joining in with the life of the school with enthusiasm and commitment. We believe passionately in an ethos of mutual respect and in a rich diet of learning and extra-curricular experiences for all, hence our motto: Fit for Learning, Fit for Life.

LEARNING at Noadswood is underpinned by a broad and balanced curriculum tailored to pupils across the age and ability range. We ensure our practice is always reviewed with our eye on real excellence as every year progresses.

LIFE at Noadswood is exciting and varied. We are fortunate in having a talented and committed team of colleagues, providing a huge variety of clubs and activities, trips and visits which are such an important part of the school experience.

CARE AND GUIDANCE is heavily invested in at Noadswood. It is our aim to create a personalised school experience with an ethos and provision that will support and guide our pupils to achieve highly and develop into happy, confident, responsible and independent citizens.

Headteacher Miss K Marshall

ACHIEVEMENTS AND SUCCESSES

Every year there are a vast number of successes that the school is proud of from those of individual pupils to team efforts. In national Science and Maths challenges we have experienced success with pupils going on to compete in Romania and Italy and two of our star debating pupils won a place to attend a competition at No.10 Downing Street, witnessed by the Prime Minister.

Our sports teams are regional, area and County champions in a variety of sports whilst individuals have competed at County, national and international levels. We have recently won the New Forest athletics championships for the 4th year in a row and 200 dancers and support crew performed at the southern finals of the National Rock Challenge.

TRANSITION to the "big school" is made as easy and natural as possible. We have developed strong links with all our feeder schools and our staff and pupils work with children from as early as year 1 in order to make them feel comfortable and excited about coming to secondary school. We liaise closely with our Primary colleagues in order to be able to meet the needs of each individual child.

OFSTED rated our school Good with Outstanding features in our most recent inspection. We are extremely proud to have received an Outstanding rating for behaviour and safety which reflects the success of the care and guidance provided at Noadswood.

RESULTS 2016 are the best ever achieved by Noadswood pupils. More than 70% of pupils achieved 5+ A*–C GCSE grades including English and Mathematics. This continues the trend of improvement in attainment for the last 5 years, testament to the hard work of our pupils, teachers and dedicated support staff. We are most pleased that the high exam success is under-pinned by continued improvements in overall pupil progress from year 7 to year 11. Pupils of all abilities are doing better than ever at Noadswood.

COMMUNICATION with parents is a high priority so you will receive a report on your child's progress each term. You can access up-to-date records on attendance and progress and check what homework has been set using our online resource, FROG. Each year there are several opportunities to meet your child's teachers and tutor.

VISITS from parents will always be welcomed and I encourage you to attend one of our open mornings to see the school in action. Alternatively, call the school office to arrange a personal tour.

WHY CHOOSE NOADSWOOD?

We have always aimed to provide the best quality education available in the local area. Our examination results alongside the very high percentage of pupils moving on to further and higher education demonstrates that Noadswood provides every opportunity for pupils to be incredibly successful. If you want your child to receive the best education, the largest number of opportunities and to learn in the most supportive and caring of environments – Noadswood is the school to choose.