



# Noadswood Blazer



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## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

MISS K. MARSHALL

Welcome to 2019 at Noadswood, everyone. It will be a very special, if really rather sad year for us, as we will say farewell to Miss Compton at the end of the Summer Term, July 2019. After only two and a half years of working alongside her, it is so clear to me what a model of integrity, commitment, compassion and really excellent English teacher she is, let alone what the community as a whole will feel about her - we look forward to marking her farewell in a way that befits someone so special to everyone, but we certainly don't look forward to the farewell itself.

I am looking forward to learning walks across the entire school this half term, separate from Star Trekking or any of the other usual walkabouts I do - when I spot your child being really engaged and successful in their learning, I shall do my level best to let you know personally.

Our 'Noadswood Kinda' weeks continue - ask your child about who or what they have appreciated in school this week, then ask them to get hold of a compliment slip from a member of staff so they can write it down and pass it to the person - it'll make their week.

They can pass them on about pupils via the boxes - one per House - on the stage in the hall, or for staff, it's the box in Reception. Remind them to put the full name and preferably the tutor group for pupils of the person they're writing about! I had to work a few out last term.

My assemblies this week are on the theme of adventure, despite the cold and dark, and of the importance of making active choice for 'harmonious co-existence', as we approach World Faith Day on Sunday January 20th.

Whether we have a particular faith or indeed none, the 'Golden Rule' of treating others in the ways we like to be treated, in order to lift others and ourselves is one we see as so important in all aspects of school life. If you'd like to say something you feel about this idea, don't hesitate to drop me a line at [headteacher@noadswood.hants.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@noadswood.hants.sch.uk).

I hope 2019 treats you all with kindness, happiness and health and the next newsletter will be our fortnightly bulletin in a couple of week's time.

Best wishes,

Miss Marshall  
Headteacher

## KEYDATES

07/01 First Day of Spring Term  
15/01 Yr9 Parents Evening  
14/01 & 15/01 Yr 7 Open Mornings

25/01 Mufti Day  
07/02 Year 8 Citizenship Day

15/02 Inset Day - School Closed  
18/02 - 22/02 Spring Half Term  
School Closed

## Gym and Dance Show 2018

On Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th December 2018 120 pupils from Noadswood School performed in the annual Gym and Dance Show. As always it demonstrated the pupils' fantastic talent, drive, determination and sheer enjoyment for the artistic sports. Pupils from Year 7 to 11 performed in this event and the show included pieces from both Noadswood's Gymnastics and Dance Clubs, BTEC Dance performance pieces, our very successful Southern Region Sports Acrobatics Squads and pieces that had been choreographed and auditioned by the pupils themselves. The routines across both evenings showcased artistic, aerobic and acrobatic gymnastics, cheerleading and modern, jazz and balletic styles of dance.

The Gym and Dance Show at Noadswood has been an event that has continued to grow year on year. The Physical Education Department believes it really gives the pupils involved a sense of achievement, it provides all pupils who would like to be involved the opportunity to display their individual talent and in many cases this then encourages and excites the next generation.



## WILVERLEY HOUSE NEWS

What a packed Autumn term it has been, back in September, we welcomed the Year 7's into Noadswood, as they sat nervously in the hall, our new team of prefects arrived to help them settle in. Team building day was brilliant fun, congratulations to W-MGU who won the overall day, they all managed to complete the boxes challenge, which has beaten Noadswood every year. Since September, Year 7 were set 25 things to do before Christmas, well done to Kennedy, Christopher, Kimberley, Jasmine & Isabelle who completed all 25.

We were delighted to hear that the Year 7-9 pupils won the inter house competition, this was certainly helped by all pupils who during their second cross country race after half term, made huge improvements on their times and committed to gain those extra points.

Over the last term, pupils have taken an active part in many extra-curricular clubs, attending training each week, competing against other schools in hockey, netball, football and rugby, many members of the house took part in the Cross Country competition, which although very chilly, they ran fast and did us proud. Just in the last two weeks of term, it was wonderful to see the talents of Noadswood. The Christmas Concert, with our five Wilverley solos, Lucy, Aaron, Jess, Megan and Oskar, each singing or playing songs they had personally chosen, along with members of the Close Harmony Choir and the Ukulele group. The Gym and Dance show in the last week of term, showcased our talents across the years, in particular with Year 7 gymnasts and dancers, Ella's beautiful duet and shining smile, Casey in the gymnastics, Izzy and

Emily in the year 8 dance and performances from both Dance Wise Studios and Snipers well done to Harrison and Emma. What a talented group Wilverley are. On the last day of term, in our celebration assembly, many awards were presented including outstanding reports, most improved reports, superstar of Year 7 and star trekking awards. A huge well done to Year 7 for winning the year group trophy for the Autumn term and to all of Wilverley for coming 2nd in the House Cup. We lost to Knightwood by just 10 points! We know that Deerleap and Anderwood will be chasing us this term, but we look forward to what each of the pupils achieves over the Spring Term.



MRS WARD



MISS RAWLINSON