



Thursday 15th January 2026

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DIARY DATES

January 21 st		Vaccinations Taking Place Year 8 Geography Trip – Marwell Zoo
January 22 nd		Vaccinations Taking Place Poetry Live – Year 11
January 24 th		DofE Silver Practice Walk
January 30 th		Fort Nelson – Year 8
January 31 st – February 1 st		Bronze DfE walk – New Forest
February 5 th & 6 th	7pm	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Evening)
February 7 th	12.30pm & 7.00pm	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Matinee and Evening)
March 12 th		Vocal Festival

Assemblies w/b 19/01/26 – Curriculum Leaders - GROW

KEY COLLEGE DATES – [click here for a list of the key college dates for 2025-2026](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

The third Monday of January has been termed “blue Monday” – apparently the most depressing day of the year and certainly the combination of cold, wet, dark weather combined for failing new years resolutions does set the context for people to be unhappy. However, there has been a lot of things happening this week that show students in good spirits. The latest inter-house competition has involved tutor groups competing in a treasure hunt to find clues to identify the location of locked boxes containing prizes. Students of all ages have been keen to get involved and there has been a lot of fun and friendly rivalry taking place. The cast of Charlie and Chocolate Factory have been rehearsing with great enthusiasm and sense of fun.

This week I spent some time talking to students about their experiences in lessons to identify what works well and what we can do to improve things further. They were full of insight but also enthusiasm too. We undertake quality assurance reviews into different subject areas throughout the year and always have panels of students to help us do this. In this latest panel, students were keen to ensure that behaviour management was done more consistently across the college by different teachers and for there to be greater consistency in setting of home learning and feedback. We also had some of our students with SEND presenting to the senior leadership team about the sensory challenges in a large secondary school and provide some recommendations on how we can improve this.

The leadership team has been looking at corridor flow and congestion which the students identified as the biggest issue, and we will shortly be implementing some changes that will improve this. It is always a pleasure to work directly with students – one of the reasons why I still teach my own classes and the students are so insightful, as well as tactful when presenting suggested improvements.

The safeguarding team has seen an increase in issues related to snapchat with the sharing of unwanted inappropriate content. [Click here for a very useful summary](#) of how to unblock a user, to change who can send them snaps and how to prevent unwanted people from sending them snaps. If you allow your child to use snapchat, then please do take a few moments to discuss this with them.

With best wishes
Mr Rule

PARENT TRUSTEE RECRUITMENT

We still have a vacancy for a Parent Trustee. As a parent governor or trustee, your role is:

- To bring a parental perspective to the issues discussed – you're not there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent body
- No different from other governors or trustees

Parents are elected to the board, not appointed (unless there are fewer candidates than vacancies).

All parents are eligible to stand, and all are entitled to vote, should we have more than two candidates stand for the vacancies.

Timetable for Parent Trustee Recruitment

- Applications to be received by Monday 19th January.
- Parent Ballot (if needed) will take place Wednesday 21st January to 12.00 on Monday 2nd February.

Votes will be counted on the afternoon of Monday 2nd February 2026 and candidates contacted.

Result announced on Thursday 5th February 2026 via the parent newsletter.

Before considering whether to apply we would urge all those interested read through [Trustee Recruitment Information](#) - you will find this and other important documents on the [Trust Governance page](#) on our web site along with the application form.

If you have any questions, please email clerk@wyvern.hants.sch.uk

COLLEGE CULTURE

House points as of 15th January 2026



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE



The pre-loved uniform stall will be back in the half-term holiday on Tuesday February 17th between 10am and 12 noon. Come to the college reception where we have a wide range of good quality uniform at bargain prices. Any donation of uniform items will be much appreciated..

COMMUNITY NEWS



Valentines' Roller Disco

Saturday 14 February

12.30 - 14.30 For 10 - 15 Year Olds

Milkshakes, Music and Fun!

Skates provided by Sk8 Hire

All skaters must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.



Book Now For Only £5!

tinyurl.com/pavilionrollerdisco

 Kindly Supported by EYCT'S Nigel Brown Youth Legacy Fund

Pavilion on the Park, 1 Kingfisher Road, Eastleigh, SO50 9LH

paviliononthepark.org | Free Car Parking | Café On-Site

Our book which is made up of contributions from young writers and artists from across Fair Oak, Bishopstoke and beyond is selling fast! It is available from the library during opening hours (cash or card) or email hello@fairoakcommunitylibrary.org and ask for a copy to be reserved.

Also, a date has been set for all who participated along with parents and carers. There will be a reception, some awards and a chance for us to meet you all! It will be on Sunday 25th January 2026 at 3:00pm at the Woodlands Centre, Savernake Way, Fair Oak.



A BOOK OF LOCAL YOUNG ARTISTS & WRITERS



A new Lego activity group is starting this Saturday – children of all ages welcome





WHAT TO MAKE?

Come along to our Construction Zone and see what you can make



Every Saturday in the Library from 10am – 12 noon



 **Hamble Area Wind Ensemble**

Venue: D@rt Centre, Wildern School

Date: Tuesday, 27 January

Time: 5pm to 6pm



We look forward to welcoming you to our NEW wind ensemble.



Scan the QR Code to sign up





STARGAZING 2026

Join us for our annual stargazing event!

Wednesday 28 January

Portland Building, PO1 3AH

18:00 to 20:30 - with entry at 18:00 and 19:00

DISCOVER MORE AND BOOK

port.ac.uk/stargazing





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between 9am-1pm

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NEW YEAR FITNESS

it all starts with you...

 www.wyvern.hants.sch.uk - Wyvern College, Botley Road, Fair Oak, SO50 7AN

CAREERS NEWS

UNIFROG SEMINARS



Sports psychology taster: the psychology of performing under pressure Virtual

Why do some performers excel during intense pressurised

situations one day, but fall by the wayside the next? How can leaders, psychologists, and coaches help key figures in sport, business, and public safety to survive and thrive in high-pressure environments? Join Bangor University to explore their work with elite organisations to answer these critical questions. This session will be relevant to those interested in a future in leadership, sport psychology, sport science, or psychology.

Monday 19 January @ 16:30 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#) or [Share](#)

Why are we so obsessed with true crime? Virtual

Why is watching crime dramas and documentaries so addictive? What sort of psychological impact do you think watching true crime shows has? And is there any cause for concern when it comes to the nation's appetite for crime programmes? Join the University of Law as we explore the impact of a growing viewership for crime dramas and documentaries. We'll discuss whether this is having a harmful effect on society, or inspiring a generation of policing professionals, criminologists, and legal experts.

Thursday 22 January @ 16:30 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#) or [Share](#)

BAE Systems Apprenticeship Open Evenings

Register now!

- Tuesday 3 February 2026, 17:45 – 19:15 or 18:30 – 20:00
- Wednesday 4 February 2026, 17:45 – 19:15 or 18:30 – 20:00

Places are limited to two places per booking and offered on a first come, first served basis. If you are under 18, you'll need to attend with one accompanying adult. Valid photo ID (i.e. passport) will be required to gain entry and access is subject to pre-event security clearance. Due to the nature of our site, bag checks may be conducted.

[To register visit our website and register for your preferred date/time for open events in Portsmouth: UK apprentice open events](#)

Deadline for registration is 12noon Monday 19 January 2026, although registration will close sooner if events are fully booked.

OTHER CAREERS NEWS

Click the links for

[British Racing School January 2026 Careers Pack](#)

[British Army January 26 Soldier Newsletter](#)

[British Army January 26 Officer newsletter](#)

[Sustainable Youth Challenge](#)

WYVERN CAREERS



COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINES

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE LOCAL COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINES BELOW:

PETER SYMONDS COLLEGE	APPLICATIONS CLOSED
BARTON PEVERIL COLLEGE	13 TH FEBRUARY 2026
ITCHEN COLLEGE	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
SPARSHOLT COLLEGE	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
EASTLEIGH COLLEGE	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COLLEGE	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
FAREHAM COLLEGE	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
CEMAST	AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

COLLEGE SUPPORT EVENT: 10TH FEBRUARY 2.55 - 3.30PM, ROOM T5

MR WHITE, MRS EMENY, THE LS TEAM, BARTON PEVERIL COLLEGE AND SHCG WILL BE ON HAND TO HELP WITH COLLEGE APPLICATIONS.

For support with college applications, drop in to the Careers Office or email Mrs Gough at j.gough@wyvern.hants.sch.uk



WELLBEING, SAFETY & SUPPORT



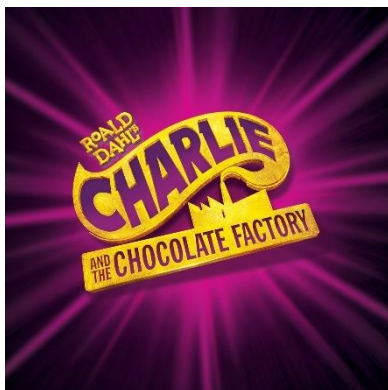
[Click here to find out about free health & wellbeing events for all parents & carers who support or work with young people](#)

[And there are further events that can be found by clicking here.](#)

Online Safety Newsletter – JANUARY 2026

[Click here for the latest edition of our online safety newsletter](#)

NEWS



SCHOOL PRODUCTION & BAKE SALE 2026

The school production fundraising team will be holding a bake sale next Tuesday the 20th of January! This will be held during break 1 and 2 outside student services - cash and card are both accepted.

Cookies, cakes, brownies, flapjacks, cupcakes, sweet bags and more!

Just a reminder - tickets are on sale for the production so make sure you grab yours on ticketsource before they sell out!

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/eastleigh/wyvern-college>

We can't wait to welcome you to the performance and share this wonderful experience with you.

LA FETE DES ROIS

On the 6th January my year 7 class celebrated the French tradition of La Fête des Rois and the students learned about the history of this festival of the three kings. They looked at videos of French children making the special cake, and then choosing the youngest family member to hide under the table and choose which person gets each slice of galette. They were amused to find that the person who finds a "fève", or figurine, hidden in their slice becomes the King or Queen for the day - they wear a paper crown and are allowed to be in charge for the day! The class worked on translating the recipe into English and then some students and their families chose to make the recipe at home for fun. Well done to them for this wonderful homework effort!

Mrs Evans
MFL



YEAR 7 NOTICES

BORROWED TIE RETURN, PLEASE

Any ties that have been borrowed from the Year 7 office, need to be returned otherwise charges will be applied.

YEAR 8 NOTICES

No notices this week

YEAR 9 NOTICES

BOOSTERS & VACCINATIONS

Your child's 3-in-1 Teenage Booster and Meningitis vaccinations are now due. These vaccines help protect against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio and Meningitis.

Follow the links below for the electronic form and information about the vaccines. Access to the form will close two working days prior to the session.

School Code: **SH138184**

Session date: **Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd January 2026**

Year Group: **Year 9**

Link to form: <https://www.hiowhealthcareimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/DTP>

For further information: <https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/teenage-booster-tetanus-diphtheria-polio-meningitis/>

To choose **YES** or **NO** please complete the form to record your decision. Regular reminders will be sent to those that have not completed a form to ensure children do not miss their opportunity for vaccination.

From the NHS School Age Immunisation Service

YEAR 10 NOTICES

Some parents will have received contact as records show they have not completed a consent form, this academic year, to indicate a decision about their child's teenage booster and/or Meningitis vaccinations that were due in Year 9.

Follow the links below for the electronic form and information about the vaccines. Access to the form will close two working days prior to the session.

School Code: **SH138184**

Session date: **Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd January 2026**

Year Group: **Year 9 - 11**

Link to form: <https://www.hiowhealthcareimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/DTP>

YEAR 11 NOTICES

PERIOD 6 REVISION SESSIONS

Period 6 sessions are now set up in Edulink. Students can select the sessions they are going to attend by doing the following: If students go into EduLink, select more; clubs and then ALL clubs it will show all clubs in which they are studying.

You can also see the latest timetable by clicking here.

Students are aware they can attend any of the sessions relevant to the course they are studying. For example a student doing Higher Tier maths can attend any relevant P6 session.

Due to meetings, parents' evenings and other calendared events the schedule may be tweaked each week but I will endeavour to send out a correct version every week.

Please encourage students to sign up to the sessions that they will be attending.

The trials timetable is available on the school website [Year-11-Trial-Exams-February-2026.pdf](#)

Thank you for your continued support as we prepare for this important stage of Year 11.

IMMUNISATIONS NEXT WEEK

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Year Group: **Year 9 - 11**

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