



Dear Parents,

Welcome to edition 6 of the weekly communication. Please ensure that you read the communication and school diary carefully to ensure you are up to date with all the many events etc. that are taking place at school.

We would like to remind parents that the school office opening hours are 8.30am – 4.30pm. The office does get extremely busy before and after school and we would ask parents to please be patient whilst waiting to be seen. Thank you.

Tracy Edwards is leaving Chesswood Junior School

At the end of this half term – next Friday, Tracy Edwards will be leaving Chesswood Junior School after eleven years of outstanding service to the school community. From governance, weekly communication, reports, residentials and the Chesswood Friends, Tracy supports many aspects of school life and it is difficult to imagine anyone else stepping into her role with as much drive, dedication and commitment. In fact, they won't be because we, as you will see from the 'Worthless campaign' don't have enough money, but even if we did have the money, I feel sure it would be a big ask 😊!



Tracy was part of the interview panel that appointed me in 2010 (so you can blame her!) and at that time she was concerned about the lack of a strong PTA for such a

large school. Help and leadership of the PTA (Chesswood friends) has waxed and waned during that time, however Tracy has ensured that all school events have thrived even when little or no help was forthcoming e.g. the fabulous summer fair. Unfortunately, as Tracy really is leaving, and we currently have no formal parent group we really do need parents to get involved and be prepared to lead fund raising and community events so that these events may continue. If you are willing and able to get involved and even lead the PTA please email head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.



Finally, Tracy has often gone the extra mile for children and families, as such it would be fitting for Tracy to receive thank you letters and cards from children and families that have benefitted from her tireless support – it would be great to receive these by Thursday, next week, so that we can present them next Friday.

Weekly Attendance Awards

Bright Sparks – Turn up, Turn up on Time, Turn up Ready for Action!

The following classes have won the year group attendance trophies for 3rd – 7th October. Well done!!

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3LH & 3AB 98.5%	4MH 100%	5CR 99.1%	6CY 100%
	Amazing	Well done	Amazing

Celebrating Children's Achievements

It is very important that Chesswood celebrates the achievements of its pupils, not just within school, but outside of school as well. Many of our pupils take part in numerous activities outside of school and regularly achieve fantastic results! If your child has achieved something outside of school that you feel we should know about, please contact Miss Taylor on staylor@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.

Congratulations to Cameron Graham who competed in the Wickers Club Championship tournament and came first and also well done to Jasmine Lascelles who competed at the south east regional gymnastics, she placed 4th out of 17, she has now qualified to move up to advanced.

Christmas Charity Run:

Date for the diary – Friday 9th December from 8.30 – 9am we will be running a Christmas themed run (following on from the success of the Sports Relief run earlier in the Year) it will take place around the school course for pupils and families. This will be a fundraising event for the school as well as sharing some Christmas cheer with the Children's ward at Worthing Hospital. Further details to follow after half term.

Halloween Safety Advice:

Sussex police have asked us to share the below advice for Halloween:

Hallowe'en has become an increasingly popular celebration over the past few years for children, families and young people especially, but it is important not to have fun at the expense of others. If you are celebrating Hallowe'en, please consider the elderly and more vulnerable in the community who may get worried having strangers calling at their door.

If you see someone displaying a no trick or treat poster, please do not call at those homes as people do not wish to be disturbed. Just be careful who you scare on Hallowe'en.

Some safety tips for Hallowe'en:

- Young children should always be accompanied by an adult.
- Consider calling only at houses where you know the occupants, rather than strangers.
- Respect the privacy and wishes of people who do not want to take part in trick or treat – observe the 'No Trick or Treaters please' posters people may display in doors or windows.
- Residents are also advised to continue to be vigilant when opening the door to strangers or unexpected callers.

Half Term and Holiday Courses: Premier Sport will once again be running a holiday club at Chesswood during the October half term and again during the February half term. Bookings can be made for both by following this link: [Premier Sport – Chesswood Primary School Holiday Courses](#)
For further information, please see the letter at the end of the newsletter.

Sports News

Y6 Netball League

This week saw the continuation of the league with 3 more games of our Y6. Results were a little more positive with close matches against The Vale and Broadwater and a draw with West Park. Team: Lauren, Eva, Elyza, Henry, Francesca, Scarlet, Amelie, Precious.

Year 5 Football League

3 games in the first week of their football league held at Worthing FC. The team put in a strong performance against Heene with a 1-1 draw, before putting 10 past Elm Grove then suffering defeat against Broadwater. 3 more games to go in a few weeks time to try and finish in the top 3 of the group to go through to the next round.

Upcoming Events

Please check SchoolsBuddy for emails regarding the following (the child have Team Lists up in the Gym to check if they are involved)

Year 6 Football - 18/10

Y3-4 Netball - 19/10

Y6 Netball - 1/11

Upper School Girls Football - 2/11

Cross Country - 5/11 (Saturday)

Rail Strikes: The RMT union has announced that it plans industrial action on the following dates:

- Tuesday 18 October until Thursday 20 October
- Thursday 3 November until Saturday 5 November
- Tuesday 22 November until Wednesday 23 November
- Tuesday 6 December until Thursday 8 December

If these strikes go ahead they will have a significant effect on services, and Southern Rail regret the potentially considerable disruption and inconvenience to students, families and staff who rely on their services. They are working on plans to operate the fullest service they can, and will publish details as soon as possible on their web site at <http://www.southernrailway.com/your-journey/strike>

If you have any queries regarding items within the communication, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards.

Miss Taylor
Senior Administrator

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latest news, views and pictures**

Friday 28 October to Saturday 5 November

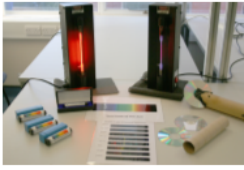
geek week

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Investigating Light & Spectra

Students will be able to make their own spectrograph out of a kitchen roll tube and an old compact disc, before using it to play guess the gas! Students learn how to identify the gases by looking at the colours emitted by various gases, and learn the importance of this technique, called spectroscopy, especially in astronomy and astrophysics.

Worthing Library Saturday 29 October



Session 1: 10.00am-11.00am
Tickets available from [Event-brite](#)
Session 2: 11.30am-12.30pm
Tickets available from [Event-brite](#)



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An Introduction to Creating Content on YouTube - with Lionheartx10

For over seven years, YouTuber Todd Finn, under the alias Lionheartx10 has been creating content—a mix of gaming and technology Videos on YouTube, growing his channel to over 210,000 subscribers and surpassing 60 million total video views!

Want to get started on YouTube yourself? Learn how to record and grow your own channel.

Worthing Library
Saturday 29 October 10.30am to 11.30am
Free tickets available from [Eventbrite](#)
Suitable for ages 12+



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Get Stuck In day!

Come along to Worthing Library for a spectacular day packed full of free workshops and drop-in activities to inspire people of all ages. Have a go at Minecraft Hacking with Python, discover the Infrared Universe, explore hands-on science exhibits, race Scalextric with WHO Racing or grab a bag of culture in our Culture Café with Joe Bunn, the Bard of Worthing!

Also, why not book a free ticket for one of our workshops.

Saturday 29 October 2016, 10.00am to 4.00pm
For more information email worthing.library@westsussex.gov.uk or call 01903 704809



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Table Top Gaming

A&B Gaming are a Worthing-based gaming shop who will be running demos of **Pokémon** and **Magic: The Gathering** card games, as well as showing the latest board and miniatures games available.



Suitable for all ages.



Parents and carers are asked to remain with their child during this activity.

2.00pm-4.00pm
Saturday 29 October
Worthing Library



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October 2016

Dear Parents,

Due to a successful summer running Holiday Courses delivered by Premier Sport we are pleased to announce we will be continuing to allow Premier Sport to use Chesswood Primary School as a Holiday Course facility throughout the school holidays this new academic year.

Premier Sport offer 'Multi-Activity' holiday courses through their [Inspire to Engage programme](#). Their actioned packed days are for children aged between 5-12 years old to have fun, learn new skills and stay active! These varied sessions will let children try a range of different sports such as fencing, archery, dodgeball, cricket, football, gymnastics, dance, basketball and athletics. As well as learning plenty of social skills, getting physically active and having a great time with friends, children will also learn key attributes to develop and sometimes excel in each sport!

All Premier Sport Activity Professionals are fully insured and DBS checked with Child Protection and Emergency First Aid certification. The camps all run from 9.00am – 3.30pm and they ask children to bring a packed lunch, plenty of non-fizzy drinks, suitable clothing and loads of energy!

The ['Inspire to Engage'](#) Multi Activity Holiday courses will run on the following dates below -

October 2016

Mon 24th October - Football
Tues 25th & Wed 26th October

Whitsun 2017
Tues 30th May & Wed 31st May

February 2017

Tues 21st & Wed 22nd February

Summer 2017

Tues 25th & Wed 28th July
Tues 8th & Wed 9th August
Tues 15th & Wed 16th August
Tues 22nd Aug & Wed 23rd August

Easter 2017

Tues 11th & Wed 12th April
Tues 18th & Wed 19th April

Premier Sport will also deliver a 'Football' Holiday Course on Monday 24th October for boys and girls aged between 5-12 years old, depending on the popularity this will also hopefully become a regular holiday course on Mondays.

There is limited availability so please book early to avoid disappointment. Book **TWO** days on any of the courses using code **WS30** and pay **under £30**. The best and simplest way to book is to visit [Premier Sport – Chesswood Primary School Holiday Courses](#) or call Premier Sport on 01953 499040. Further information as well as terms and conditions can be found online at the [Premier Sport](#).

Premier Sport look forward to delivering healthy holiday fun as well as inspiring and keeping children active!

