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Upcoming key dates for the diary (please see diary for extensive list):

Tuesday 30th January – Carrot Wood Presentation

Friday 31st January – Bright Sparks Autumn Term Award Ceremony

Friday 7th February – School Disco

Monday 10th February – Stars of the Future Concert

Week Commencing Monday 17th February – Half Term

Monday 24th February – INSET Day

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All Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday - Homework • Year 6 Revision Guides (incl. order form) • Headlice Information Letter • Spring Term Disco

1. SUSSEX TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARDS – All – Information

The Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards mark the vital contribution that teaching staff make to our community. The awards recognise the expertise and dedication that is the hallmark of an outstanding teacher. Nominations are **open now** and the categories include primary, secondary, newly qualified teachers, non-teaching members of staff (including midday supervisors, caretakers, admin staff and pastoral team members) and a volunteer award, which includes members of the PTA and governors; ALL of who go above and beyond for children in the school community. Winners of the event are announced at a ceremony in June. Proceeds raised from the Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards go towards literacy and road safety projects in the region.

To nominate Chesswood Junior School, please visit

<http://kmcharityteam.force.com/SchoolNomination/Nomination?campaignRef=7014G000001buiN>

Every member of staff works incredibly hard and goes above and beyond every day to support and inspire the children within the Chesswood community; receiving nominations would not only be an enormous compliment for Chesswood, but would also recognise the hard work and input from every member of staff.

Thank you.

2. Inset Days – All – Information

We will be holding INSET days at Chesswood on Monday 24th February and Wednesday 11th March and plan to arrange childcare facilities at school for families who need it.

The details are as follows:

- Monday 24th February 2020 and Wednesday 11th March 2020, 7:30am to 3:30pm to include breakfast
- A range of activities will be provided throughout the day, to include arts and crafts, board and card games, sports, nature documentaries and general play
- Children will need a packed lunch and a fruit snack, breakfast will be supplied between 7:30am-8:15am
- The cost for **each** day will be £25.00 per child to be paid in full
- Numbers will be limited and based on a first come first served basis, for paid only bookings (non-refundable)
- The children will be cared for throughout the day by members of our school support staff, all of whom are suitably qualified, DBS checked and hold first aid qualifications

Letters will shortly be sent out on SchoolsBuddy. Should you wish your child to attend, please look online via SchoolsBuddy or complete the reply slip attached to the letter (on our website) and send it to school, together with your cheque payment of £25.00 per child, in a sealed envelope for the attention of Kate Brown, School Finance Officer. All forms and payments must be returned no later **Wednesday 12th February** for the February inset day, and **Friday 28th February** for the March inset day, please.

3. Pre-Loved Uniform – All – Information

If you have any items of uniform (including PE kits) that are in good condition and no longer needed, please can these be brought to Reception for our next pre-loved uniform sale. Thank you.

4. Book Amnesty 27th January – 7th February – All – Information

There will be another Book Amnesty running from Monday 27th January – Friday 7th February 2020. There will be a large book box in Reception for you to deposit your books, and a sign sheet to put your name on – all children who bring a book back will receive a raffle ticket for the chance to win a £15 Waterstones voucher!

5. Revision Guides – Year 6 – Information

We would like to give you the option of purchasing revision guides to support your child with their home learning in the run up to SATs. We will be covering the Year 6 curriculum over the year, but it may be that your child has a particular area that they would benefit from some further practice in, or to help boost their confidence with additional practice. Your child's teacher will be able to advise you further on which revision guides would be most useful.

If you would like to purchase any of the revision guides, you can order them through SchoolsBuddy or by completing an order form (sent via SchoolsBuddy) and returning it to the school office by **Friday 31st January**. No further books can be ordered through the school after this date.

6. Job Vacancy – Mid-Day Supervisor – All – Information

N.O.R: January 2020 - 641 (22 classes) possibly rising to 720 over the next few years: Years 3 to 6
Position: Mid-Day Supervisor

Year Group: All

Pay scale: West Sussex Grade 2

Contract: Permanent contract

Commitment: 12.10 – 13.25, Monday – Friday, term time only (6hrs 15mins per week).

Start: ASAP

Would you like to join our good school at an exciting time of development? Working with super staff and cheerful children – helping supervise during the lunch period?

If you are:

- Motivated and committed,
- Confident in your ability to work with children, giving them the best you can give,
- Ready for a positive challenge that will require you to be imaginative and creative,

we would love to hear from you!

Please contact Mrs Diane Lycett, Office Manager, by email as above, for a job profile, which can also be viewed on our school web site, together with the application form. All applications must be submitted on the correct application form, please. Visits to the school by potential candidates would be warmly welcomed.

- Application forms are available from our school website, to be completed and returned by Thursday 30 January 2020 9:30 a.m.
- Interviews will be Monday 03 February 2020, time to be confirmed

Chesswood is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of our children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. The post will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

7. Pupil Absence from School – All – Reminder

Just a reminder with regards to pupil absence and the ways this can be reported to the school. We ask for each day that your child is off unwell for a message to be sent to the school via one of the two options detailed below (the exception to a daily message would be if your child is off school for a period of time that the school has already been notified about or holiday arrangements which have been requested in advance from the school).

Studybugs: This is a downloadable app available for smartphones. On here you are able to put the information onto the app for your child's absence and this will come directly through to the school.

Telephone message: By calling the school on the day of your child's absence the option for Absence is on the main answerphone and this records a message for the office to collect.

The absence request forms are located on the school website under the heading of Parents and under the sub heading of Attendance in the following location:

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/form/?pid=203&form=19>

Please also ensure to let the school office know if you have changed any of your contact information so that we can keep our records up to date.

8. Reading Achievements – Year 5

In the latest Year 5 assembly, we celebrated reading achievements – 86 pupils eagerly waited to see if their name would be chosen from the 144 names in the spinning wheel of the random name generator. Children who achieved their reading target for Autumn Term 2 were entered into a prize draw, with

additional entries for every extra 100% of their target read – a special mention is needed for Caleb Phillips and William Pratley (both 5CR), who achieved over 700% of their reading target in the term. Reading targets are personal (set from their Star Reader Tests) and are therefore fair for all pupils across the year group; their target word count is linked to weekly homework time and can be achieved by passing AR quizzes.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Barnard (EV), Hazel Ruchati (KM), Lilly Zattarin (KM) and Philip Edwards (AL) who each won a book from the prize box. House Points were awarded to 6 more pupils; Zayan Banjoo (KM), Kacper Lojek (KM), Lexi Rolf (EV), Madi Cooper (EV), Oliver Woollven-Pegg (AL) and Kleona McKeown (EV).

9. Spring Term Disco – All – Information

The Spring Term Disco will be held on Friday 7th February. Entry is £3.50 per child to include a drink; payment and consent should be made online via SchoolsBuddy. You will receive a notification from SchoolsBuddy that you payment has been received, however **no tickets will be issued**. Payments must be made in advance **by Wednesday 5th February 2020, and please be aware that we cannot take payment on the day**. Spaces are limited per disco so will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

Spring Term Disco

Friday 7th February

Years 3 & 4 - 5.00 - 6.15pm

Year 5 & 6 - 6.30 - 7.45pm



Entry £3.50 in advance to include drink

Hot Dogs £1 on the night

Tuck and Glow sticks will be on sale!

Entry is £3.50 to include a drink. Payment and consent should be made online via SchoolsBuddy. You will receive a notification from SchoolsBuddy that your payment has been received **NO** ticket will be issued.

Payment must be made in advance by Wednesday 5th February 2020, we cannot take payment on the day. Spaces are limited per disco and will be issued on a first come – first served basis.

10. Fundraising for St Barnabas – All – Information

Carol Noble, a parent at the school, is undertaking a trek on the Great Wall of China to fundraise for St Barnabas this year. Please see below the information from Carol:

“As it is Chinese New Year, I would like to take the opportunity to tell you about my plans to complete a trek on the Great Wall of China this year. I am doing this for St Barnabas House and the great hospice work they do for our community. I would be very grateful if you would like to sponsor me in this venture.” Any size donation is greatly appreciated and can be done via [justgiving.com/fundraising/Carol-Noble21](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Carol-Noble21).

Many thanks for your support,

Carol

11. Sports News – All – Information

Sports News

Y5 Netball League:

On Tuesday we sent a team to the first round of the Y5 netball league at Worthing College. The team took a while to get going and managed to get a victory in their last game of the day against Heene.

Team: Sienna, Grace, Ella, Sara, Sophie, Matilda, Eva and Hope.



Paralympic Festival:



A group of pupils went to St Andrews on Wednesday to take part in a festival of Paralympic Sports. They tried out 7 different sports including: Boccia, New Age-Kurling, Seated Volleyball, Polybat, and Seated fencing.

All thoroughly enjoyed their experience.

Team: Jamie F, Tilly R-W, Alfie M, Kayden, Leon S, Kyan B, Emily F, Maizy and Heidi.

Y5/6 Basketball Competition:

2 teams entered the competition at St Andrews and we were looking to retain the trophy we won last year.

The Blue team cruised through their group with 3 wins out of 3. The Red team found things a little harder going and finished 4th in their pool.

In the playoff matches the Red team narrowly lost to Bramber 4-2.

The Blue team faced TAB who had won the other pool in final – it was a close for the first few minutes with both defences playing well blocking shots and intercepting passes, then the tides turned in our favour and we came out 8-0 winners to retain the trophy for a second year.



Blue Team:

Eva, Seb, Maryam, Danny, Harry, George & Hope.

Red Team:

Lenny, Paddy, Ghenmar, Jayden, Charlotte, Millie, Helena and Kysla.

Swimming Gala Times:

Final call for swimmers – still looking for a few more times for all the events (especially butterfly for Upper School)

Year 3 & 4 pupils – 25-meter times for (one or all of the following strokes):

Front Crawl

Breaststroke

Back stroke

Year 5 & 6 pupils – 50-meter times for (one or all of the following strokes):

Front Crawl

Breaststroke

Back Stroke

Butterfly

Please could all times be completed on the forms below

Lower School:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScOZlg2WPOkWSXr9MCWETBLXg8z7LDOx8YEeyIfGssbQBBHPQ/viewform>

Upper School:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHSVOhcODPsVVTsPWOBFG-KOWsFZhL57zwZNIgIkTO-bL7eA/viewform>

Club Cancellations:

Wednesday 29th – Girls Football

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 28th – Y6 Netball Tournament (Worthing College)

Wednesday 29th – Y5/6 Indoor Athletics Area Finals (Davison)

Tuesday 4th Feb – Y5 Netball League (Worthing College)

Wednesday 5th – Swimming Gala (SplashPoint Leisure Centre)

Tuesday 11th – Y4 Netball Matchplay Festival (Worthing College)

12. External Events – All – Information



February half-term sessions

Monday 17th February • 9.30am to 2.30pm
Bring a packed lunch • £35

Thursday 20th February • 10am to 1pm
Bring a packed lunch • £15

Friday 21st February • 10am to 1pm
Bring a packed lunch • £15

Family session
Tuesday 18th February • 10am to 2pm
£7 per child

For more information and booking
www.arthouseworthing.co.uk

APW Art House
8 Stanford Square
Worthing BN11 3EZ



£2.35

Pancake Friday

28th February

Choose a main meal...
Fish & Chips
or
Omelette & Chips

on the side...
Baked Beans
or Salad

for dessert...
Pancake with Syrup
or Fruit Salad



Please place orders by Sunday 18th February at www.meatselector.co.uk, where greater details are displayed.

For more information on special diets please contact westsussexspecialdiets@compass-group.co.uk. Please ensure special diet requests are made 2 weeks prior to the event. Terms and Conditions apply.

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Splashpoint Leisure Centre
60 Brighton Road, Worthing BN11 2EN

Disability Family Fun Days

Book for January NOW!

Saturday 25th January 4pm - 8pm
Future Disability Family Fun Day dates for your diary (not yet bookable):
Saturday 29th February & Saturday 4th April

Suitable for children aged 0-18 with a disability, and their parents or carers

Lego Robotics Workshop with 'Curiosity Hub'
(Saturday 26th January only)
4:30-5:30pm & 6-7pm
Build a robot alligator using Lego WeDo robotics kits and then 'bring it to life' by creating a program from Curiosity Hub to make it move and chirp!

- Inflatables, mats and toys in main pool
- Bouncy castle
- Circuits gym sessions 4pm-4:30 pm (13-18 year olds)
- Puzzle Room (29/02/20 & 04/04/20)
- Use of spa area (16 years+)
- Food and refreshments available at The Coffee House

Changing places Changing lives Toilets on site plus hoist

Only £5.00 per child/young person
Parents and carers go FREE

Call 01903 905050 for details and book at Splashpoint reception

South Downs Leisure
www.southdownsleisure.co.uk



February Half Term Adventure Clubs (8 – 13 Years Old)

Note: Due to the dynamic nature of outdoor education, programmes may change at short notice. Lunch times might also vary to allow for tides

Timings	Monday 17th February	Tuesday 18th February	Wednesday 19th February	Thursday 20th February	Friday 21st February
0830-0900hrs			Drop off		
0900 – 1230hrs	Low Ropes	Raft Building	Low ropes	Mountain biking	Paddle Sports (kayaking, canoeing or SUP boards)
	Mountain Biking	Bush Craft	Climbing	Bush Craft	
1230 – 1300hrs	Packed Lunch	Lunch on an open fire	Packed Lunch	Lunch on an open fire	Packed Lunch
1300 – 1630hrs	Problem Solving	Rock Pooling	Orienteering	Team Building	Problem Solving Climbing
	Climbing	Air Rifle	Rock Pooling	Air Rifle Shooting	
1630 – 1700hrs	Pick Up				
1700 – 1800hrs	Optional Extended Day				

Due to tidal times it is only possible to do watersports at high tide (Friday)