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1. COVID-19 Update

We can confirm there have been 3 positive cases this week. If you have any concerns in relation to any of these numbers, please contact office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk. These figures are not a reason for a child to be absent from school. Should it be necessary for your child to isolate, we will be in contact.

Case	0-7 days	8-14 days	15-21 days	22+ days	Grand Total
Confirmed Case	3	1		5	9
Not a case	3			212	215
Potential Case	14	1	3	63	81
Grand Total	20	2	3	280	305

Do NOT attempt to send your child to school for any reason if anyone in your household is displaying any one or combination of symptoms below:

- A new, continuous cough
- High temperature
- Loss, change in normal sense of taste or smell

If **anyone** has **any one** or more symptoms of coronavirus they must isolate with their household and seek a test or isolate for 10 days. Other members of the household must isolate for 14 days or until a negative test result has been received. If you are unsure of any of the rules surrounding the Any One Rule, please read the letter online here: <https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=7993&type=pdf>

If anyone in your household displays any symptoms, please complete the COVID-19 form on the website <https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=COVID+19&pid=330&action=saved>

2. Latest Correspondence – All – Information

Keeping up to speed	
We are very aware both professionally and personally how hard it is to keep up with communications from school and from everywhere else for that matter. And, nobody has the time to search for letters they think they might have missed and are experiencing understandable parent anxiety of the consequences of missing important communications. We hope the very clear links and organisation below will ensure you are able to find any school communication quickly and easily.	
You may find the current and all previous newsletters for this academic year for reference on our website	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Latest+Correspondence&pid=176
Newsletter from previous academic years may be found at	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Previous+Academic+Year+Newsletters&pid=1007
You may find all current term correspondence for the whole school	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Current+Term+Correspondence&pid=780
Current and previous correspondence for specific year groups	
Year 3	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+3+Correspondence&pid=180
Year 4	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+4+Correspondence&pid=177
Year 5	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+5+Correspondence&pid=178
Year 6	https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+6+Correspondence&pid=179

3. Lockdown Learning – All – Information

From Thursday 7th January, these will be the key pages to guide children in their daily learning. Class teachers will be updating daily, setting activities across all relevant areas of the curriculum. We will seek to engage children as much as possible, providing email access to class teachers so that key work can be submitted, or advice sought if required. If closure is prolonged, we will set up class pages to celebrate quality outcomes from each class. This can be found by visiting [HOME > LEARNING > HOME LEARNING > DAILY LEARNING – SPRING 2021](#) then selecting the relevant year group. From here, you can navigate to each specific year group page. This will include tasks uploaded each day.

4. COVID Reporting – All – PLEASE READ AND ACTION

If **anyone in your household** has **any one** of the COVID symptoms, you **must** get tested and inform the school via the COVID case reporting form on our school website. This includes weekends and holidays; it is really important for this form to be completed to allow the school to follow the appropriate protocol and take action as soon as possible.

If any of the following are true:

- Your child has experienced symptoms
- Your child has tested positive
- **Anyone in your household experiences any one of the three symptoms**
- You are a staff member, external staff (supply teacher, peripatetic music teacher) or volunteer and you or anyone in your household has developed symptoms or tested positive

You should complete the COVID-19 online form as soon as possible

All families are asked to complete the online form on our website at HOME > PARENTS > COVID 19

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=COVIS+19&pid=330&action=saved>

If, for any reason, you are unable to complete the form with essential information please email

covid@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

During school holidays and weekends only – when there is no other alternative, if it is not possible to complete the form or email and you have no other alternative, please text 07837971769

Text only, please do not call or use this phone number for any other reason, other than COVID reporting.

Please only use this number to report a confirmed positive case.

Text: Positive COVID Case (if you have a positive test result). A member of our team will contact you to get the information verbally, **please only use this as an absolute last resort.**

As indicated, it is our sincere hope that none of the above need to be used by any family or staff member. However, if it does, we expect that all members of our school community being aware of and using this online reporting system will allow a quick response in the interests of all members of our community, particularly those who are vulnerable and those with vulnerable family members.

5. Parent's Evening – All – Information

Parents Evening on the 19th & 21st January 2021 will still go ahead, but parents will be contacted by phone at the time slots booked on the SchoolsBuddy system. If you have not already booked a time please do so by Wednesday 13th January. Should you require any assistance with this please contact trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk or call 01903 204141.

6. Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards 2021 – All – Information

Nominations are now open for the Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards 2021!

This has been a difficult year to say the least, but out of this situation we have seen heroes come to the fore; staff of the NHS and care workers have quite rightly received the accolades and publicity they deserve for their amazing efforts but there are many other heroes too. Staff in the education sector have been working tirelessly to ensure children are taught, fed, inspired, and motivated.

The KM Charity Team deliver the Teacher of the Year Awards and we would like to spread the word to everyone in the school community to nominate a member of Chesswood. This is not a popularity contest; it isn't measured on the number of votes but



The poster features a large yellow checkmark on a black background with the text 'SUSSEX TEACHER OF THE YEAR' in white. Below this, it says 'Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards 2021' in white and yellow. The main text reads 'Let your colleagues know how much they are appreciated!' in bold black letters, followed by 'You can nominate ANY member of school staff as we want to celebrate all of you' in smaller black text. At the bottom, it says 'proudly delivered by KM CHARITY TEAM Celebrating 20 years' with a logo of two balloons and a banner. The footer includes the slogan 'Giving Children the Knowledge and Motivation to be the best they can be' and the call to action 'Enter a nomination today! KMCHARITYTEAM.CO.UK/TOTY'.

instead a panel of judges read the content of every entry and have the difficult decision of selecting the winners.

Please, spend 5 minutes completing the online nomination form to enter any member of staff who has gone above and beyond this year. It really means a lot and will really be appreciated.

Anyone can nominate and it's not just teachers who are recognised – these awards celebrate every role in schools from secretaries and administrators to caretakers, headteachers and volunteers. Not everyone can win but all nominees receive notification of their nomination and that in itself goes a long way to them knowing how appreciated they are.

Winners from every district will be honoured at the awards ceremony with the overall countywide champions announced on the night. In addition, there will also be a pre-recorded version of the event aired simultaneously in order for everyone to celebrate.

To nominate is simple:

- ★ Go to www.kmcharityteam.co.uk/awards/toty/ and complete the online nomination form

With your help we can make this year's Teacher of the Year Awards bigger and better than ever before and make sure that the unsung heroes of the past year receive the recognition they truly deserve.

7. Laptops Wanted! – All – Action

We are well aware that demand for technology and access to the internet is heightened at the moment due to a large number of the Chesswood community learning from home.

Understandably it can be quite difficult in some households for Chesswood children to access the home learning.

Do you have a spare/unused/slow/broken/unwanted/old laptop or tablet device gathering dust on a shelf or in a cupboard at home? If so, we are offering a few options of what can happen with these devices.

If you need a working laptop at home to enable your child to do online home learning but have a poorly/not working device we can review, possibly fix the device and then give it back to you.

Or

If you have a device you don't need in any condition, would you be prepared to donate the laptop to us to give to someone who has not got one.

If you do please contact Mr Miller at bmiller@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk or call the school and select option 2 for IT.

For any donated devices we will review, wipe the laptop and prepare it to go to Chesswood children to help them access home learning when they otherwise wouldn't have been able to. Even if we can't use the laptop, we will be able to recycle it.

Any donations would be greatly appreciated, and we'll give you a shout out in the newsletter for your generosity!

8. Year 3 Autumn Reading Prize Winners – Year 3 – Information

We are delighted to confirm the 6 winners of prizes for reading following our prize draw on Friday 18th December. To qualify for the prize draw, children needed to meet their individual reading target, which they achieve by passing AR quizzes on books they have read. This target system takes into account the varying levels of books that the year group would read so that it is fair and an equal challenge for every child. When a child meets their target, they earn 100HP and earn an entry into the prize draw. A number of children go on to meet their target 2 or 3 times (if not more) and so this means they are entered into the prize draw more to reflect this, thus increasing their chances of winning. At the end of each half term, each class carries out a prize draw to select the winner for that class. An additional prize is made available for the class that has the highest percentage of children that meet their target, which in this half term was 3ML - where every single child met their target at least 100%! Congratulations to our winners, we hope you enjoyed reading your prizes! Winners: Toby Phillpot (3HG), Vincent Ellison (3DH), Rufus Bourner (3ML), Benjamin Clinton (3ML), Thedini Pinnaduwa (3LB) and Angelica Mayhew (3PB). Good luck to everyone in Y3 with meeting your target this half term - the next prize draw will be Friday 12th February.



9. 'Get Set to Eat Fresh' GB and Aldi Competition! – All – Action



Taste Kitchen Challenge | Competition Overview

CAN YOU CREATE A RECIPE INSPIRED BY TEAM GB?

Aldi and Team GB are challenging young people aged 5-14 to get creative and design their own original recipe, inspired by Team GB. Winners from each age group will see their dish join Aldi's online collection of Taste Kitchen recipes, with the overall winning recipe – selected by our Aldi Athlete Ambassadors – also featured in a dedicated page spread of an Aldi leaflet!

Can you create an original recipe inspired by Team GB?

- Your recipe can be any dish, but should include at least two fruits or vegetables.
- You must write ingredients, instructions and a description for your recipe.
- You must include a short paragraph to explain how your recipe is inspired by Team GB.
- You must include a photograph of yourself with your finished dish.
- Do not copy your recipe from another site or book.
- Enter using the Taste Kitchen Challenge **Recipe Sheet** and **Cover Sheet**.*

Entries can be sent to:
info@getsetateatfresh.co.uk

Competition deadline:
Friday 12 February 2021

The Taste Kitchen Challenge is open to children aged 5-14 in England, Scotland and Wales. Entries will be judged in three age categories: ages 5-7, ages 7-11 and ages 11-14. Judges will review recipes using the judging criteria outlined in the competition resources.**



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A Taste Kitchen Challenge category winner will be chosen from each age group. These three category winners will win an exclusive Team GB goody bag, £50 in Aldi vouchers, a certificate, and their recipe will join Aldi's collection of Taste Kitchen recipes - featuring on both the Aldi and Get Set to Eat Fresh sites.

The winners' schools will also receive £200 in Aldi vouchers and a bag of fresh produce. From the three winners our Aldi Athlete Ambassadors, including Olympic medallists Alistair and Jonny Brownlee, will select one overall winner of the competition. In addition to being displayed on the Aldi and Get Set to Eat Fresh websites, the overall winner will receive a piece of money-can't-buy Team GB Tokyo 2020 signed merchandise and their recipe will be showcased in print – shared in stores across the country in an Aldi weekly leaflet!

More information and entry forms will be on the home learning pages from next week.