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COVID-19 Update

In line with the current national and local situation regarding cases of COVID-19, we are dealing with more positive cases linked to the school. Wherever there is a direct risk to pupils or staff at school, as a result of an identified positive case, we will communicate this immediately to those affected ensuring they isolate in line with track and trace expectations.

This will occur when an identified positive case has

- had contact with any staff or pupils in the 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms
- had contact with any staff or pupils in the 48 hours prior to the test (where asymptomatic)

Where a positive case has had contact with a bubble, we will close the bubble for a period of 10 days from the last contact.

Where a positive case has not had contact with any staff or child in school (for example, they were not in school for over 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms), there will be no further action required by the school.

Case	0-7 days	8-14 days	15-21 days	22+ days	Grand Total
Confirmed Case				12	12
Not a case	2	2	2	234	240
Potential Case	1	2	4	83	90
Grand Total	3	4	6	329	342

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>

1. 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

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. Pre-Loved Uniform – All – Information

If you need to replace any of your child's uniform, please place an order using the following link <https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Uniform%2C+PE+and+Equipment&pid=174> for our pre-loved uniform; alternatively, email uniform@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk. All items have been washed and are reasonably priced.

5. Free School Meals – All

We would like to appeal to families who may meet the criteria to register for free school meals. If your circumstances have changed recently and you feel you may be eligible for Free School Meals please visit <https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Meals+%28Free+%26amp%3B+paid+for%29&pid=257> for more information and to complete the online form. Please act now if you believe you would be eligible; if you need any help or have any questions or concerns please contact Mrs Rainford at trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

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 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. Safer Internet Day – All – Information

We will be celebrating Safer Internet Day on 9th February. There is a wealth of information around how to get involved at www.saferinternetday.org.uk, and we have lots of resources around e-safety on our website <http://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=E%2DSafety+advice+for+parents&pid=214>



8. Fuel Hardship Grant

Financial support is available for families who are struggling to pay their bills this winter. The County Council is working with Citizens Advice to offer a DWP Covid Winter Grant Scheme for families in need across West Sussex.

If you need to be referred, please email office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

The closing date for this funding is 31ST MARCH 2021.

The grant can be used for a range of things, from paying gas, electric and water bills, boiler repairs, purchasing blankets, slow cookers, heaters. Other help may be mobile phone top ups, energy advice, benefit checks referrals for specialist debt advice.

The criteria for who can apply is broad and includes;

- Families who have had to claim Universal Credit and don't have significant savings
- Families on Universal Credit, home schooling and worried about heating their home
- Families in debt and struggling to pay their gas or other bills
- Care leavers on a low income
- People with disabilities who are worried about putting their heating on.

For any queries, enquiries or if you need the be referred, please contact the school on office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

9. Celebrations – All

A big well done to Mason in 5AY, who was celebrated in the newspaper this week for fundraising with his football team. Mason and his football team will be walking, jogging and running a combined total of 57 miles over the next few weeks on the 'Road to Wembley'. To donate and read more about the journey, visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Christian-justice

Gihansa from 5AY – a.k.a Grace Ballard is a true Rock Hero in every sense of the word! She has just broken the 6-million-coin barrier (6,006,955) as a lifetime achievement. The next best in school is 3.756.262. Congratulations Gihansa, you are a superstar!



10. Get Set to Eat Fresh Competition

Just a reminder that the Get Set to Eat Fresh competition deadline is on Friday 12th February 2021! Entries need to be sent to info@getseteatfresh.co.uk and you can receive 50HP from entering the competition.

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!



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@getseteatfresh.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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