

CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

Home of Bright Sparks

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Autumn Clubs 2021

It is time for you to choose and apply for club places for Autumn Term 2021. Please note that the process will be online using the Schoolsbuddy system.

When do the clubs start and end?

Clubs start week commencing Monday 27th September and end Friday 3rd December. Half term week is Monday 25th October back to School w/c 1st November. Please check your Schoolsbuddy Diary for Inset Days.

How do I apply?

Please login to the Schoolsbuddy system and click on the clubs sign up tab at the top of the screen. Applications will close on Monday 20th September

How & when will I know which club my child has got in to?

You will receive a notification of which club your child has, no later than <u>Friday 24th September</u>. This will also populate your SchoolsBuddy diary. Please think carefully before signing up to a club, as we would expect children to attend every week, below are the answers to a few questions you may have.

Do all clubs have limited spaces?

Yes, however, we do not work on a first come first served basis. If a club is oversubscribed, we will print off a list of applicants and give it to the club leader to allocate places. If an externally run club does not have sufficient numbers to operate this club may be cancelled.

Oversubscription criteria and response

A small number of clubs are extremely popular e.g computing & Minecraft; the maximum numbers are also fixed due to physical space and resource availability. Our aim, when clubs are oversubscribed, is to ensure as many children as possible experience the club at least once within the academic year (although this is sometimes not possible). We strongly advise children and families to take advantage of the wide range of activities available but cannot guarantee a space at a specific, oversubscribed club, even when a child has indicated interest in only one club.

Collection of Pupils

All pupils will be dismissed onto the front playground for collection at 4.15pm. Please ensure that your child is collected promptly and are offsite by 4.25pm – you must wait on the front playground for your child until their club has finished. If you are delayed in collecting your child, you must inform the school as soon as possible.

Club Cancellations

If we need to cancel a club, you will be informed via Schoolsbuddy push notifications, the school Newsletter, or School phone system.

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How much do I have to pay?

From September there will be a charge for ALL after school clubs including those run by Chesswood staff. Payment for clubs run by external providers will be payable directly to them, please see below. Regrettably, for the first time, there will now be a nominal charge for the Chesswood run clubs to cover our costs and resources. We are sorry to have to charge for these clubs but are sure you will understand that, whilst wishing to offer a broad range of out of school activities for the children, we cannot afford to do so at a loss to the school. Please see our club list with charges for each club for the term. The clubs will run for 9 weeks but will only be charged for 8 weeks to allow for cancellation. Payment will be required before the club starts for your child to attend which can be made via your Schoolsbuddy account. There will be a minimum number of participants required for each club to run and if this number is not met, we regret we will have to cancel that club for the term.

Pupil Premium and Tutorials

Families in receipt of pupil premium can claim up to two free places for any Chesswood-run club. Children missing Music/PE lessons for class tutorials can claim a free place in a Chesswood-run Music/PE Club. If you are wishing to apply one of these free places, please email trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk when making your club selection. All free places will be granted with consultation with the SLT and payment removed from the Schoolsbuddy system when allocating places.

List of External club providers below, please see separate Chesswood Junior Club list for charges.

SAMA Karate - £5 per session (payable to SAMA Karate)

Basketball - £27 per term Payable to James Brame) please note Year 6 Basketball £24 due to inset day

Fabulous Art Club £45 per term (payable to Claire Lemmon)

Drama - £32 (payable to Star Academy)

Chelsea Foundation £42 must be paid on Chelsea Foundation online booking system

The Outdoors Project £7 per session

Dance Club - £36 per term (payable to Megan Ring)

STEM Club - £63 per term (payable to STEM Innovation)

Worthing Table Tennis Club (£17.50 payable to Worthing Table Tennis Club)

Chesswood After School Club

Where children usually attend our Chesswood After School Club, they may choose to attend one of these clubs first and then go on to our After School Club until their usual collection time. We would need to charge for the full After School Club slot but would deduct the cost of the extra-curricular out of school club from the total cost.

Attendance

If your child is unable to attend a club, please ensure you notify the school in advance. If your child is absent from a club, a notification will be sent home via Schoolsbuddy/email asking if you are aware and to advise if your child is safe at home.

Behavior and expectations

As a primary condition of club membership, children must show courtesy, care and kindness to leaders and other members at all time. Pupils are expected to be at all clubs by 3.25pm at the very latest, if this is not adhered to, their place may be withdrawn. Please ensure you discuss expectations for behavior with your child before seeking a place at a club.

Kind Regards, Tracey Rainford School Receptionist