



# CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

**Home of Bright Sparks**

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## 2021 Open Day & Evening

Dear parents,

On behalf of the Chesswood School community I would like to extend a warm invitation to our 'Open School' events for Year 2 families. On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November, we will host the following:

- **Open Morning** - **9.30 a.m.** – **12.00 p.m.**
- **Open Afternoon** - **1.45 p.m.** – **3.00 p.m.**
- **Open Evening** - **5.00p.m.** – **7.15 p.m.**

### Open Morning and Afternoon

Parents are invited to take a tour of the school whilst it is in full swing! There are no special activities organised during these times, it is for you and your child to observe the good learning children experience every day at Chesswood. Tours will be led by our School Ambassadors (eloquent chatty children!) from a range of year groups – they are far more entertaining than those led by the adults!

If you intend to bring your child to Chesswood during the school day, please follow the guidance below:

- Children must register at their own school before attending Chesswood, in the morning.
- Parents should email [admissions@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) or call school reception to confirm their name; the name of their child and whether they intend to visit in the morning or the afternoon. We will then collate and forward that information to your child's school, so that attendance records are accurate.
- On the open day parents and children will sign in with their child and this will be confirmed with your child's school so that the correct attendance code (V) may be used, this will then not affect their attendance rate.

### Open Evening

**5:00 – 6:00 p.m. - School Tours and Learning Demonstrations:** Although we recognise you will have many competing demands it is important that you seek to attend the evening session as a priority. You are welcome and encouraged to come to both. However, the presentation and opportunities for questions will provide you with the key information to help support your decision making. Parents and children will have the opportunity to experience different aspects of the Chesswood Junior Curriculum and Life in Y3. There will be drop in sessions for learning in Y3, computing, PE, science, music and maths. In addition, children's work, photos and videos from all year groups will be on display. Refreshments will be available throughout this session in the school hall. This session is designed for children and parents together.

### 6:00 – 6:15 p.m. Refreshments School Hall – Start of Crèche and Film arrangements

**6:15 – 7:15 p.m. Formal Presentation:** The Head Teacher will share key information about the ethos; achievement; learning and teaching; the curriculum; behaviour; outcomes for children; and what children and parents think of the school. There will be an opportunity for parents to ask general questions of the head teacher before the open evening closes at 7.15 p.m.

## Child Care

The school tours and learning demonstrations are designed for families, however the presentation (see below) at 6:15 p.m. is designed for parents only. As such, a children's movie (U) will be shown to Y2 children attending whilst parents listen to the formal presentation.

We are able to provide a crèche facility for children aged 4+ - there is a nominal £2 charge for this service if the child is not currently Y2. Children younger than 4 will need to remain with their parents during the presentation. Wherever possible, we ask that parents to make alternative care arrangements for a child less than 4 years old. *Please let us know if you will be attending with your child in the evening and whether you will also need to make use of the crèche facility for younger children (£2) by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – this will help us make appropriate staffing and child care arrangements for the evening – please register your interest in use of this facility by completing the form on the Chesswood website – see the link below.*



## Before you visit

We are asking all parents at our local schools to register their interest in our open event on our website. Parents may do this at

**HOME > PARENTS > ADMISSIONS AND TRANSITIONS > JUNIOR SCHOOL ADMISSIONS > AUTUMN OPEN EVENT - ORGANISATION**

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Autumn+Open+Event+%2D+Organisation&pid=1161>

The form also enables for families to ask or share up to three adult questions, queries or concerns. In addition, there is space to add up to three child led questions, queries or concerns. The form will close on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at midday. We will then create a booklet for adult questions, queries and concerns we have received and one for children (this will need to be read in partnership with their parents).

## Further Information:

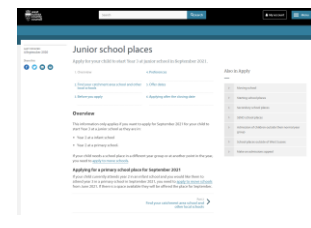
Visit the Autumn Open Event page on the Chesswood website to view the current School Brochure and a wide range of other information. These documents and wider information tell you a great deal about life at Chesswood! Please note some of the details on the website will be updated for this open event the week beginning Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Autumn+Open+Event+%2D+Organisation&pid=1161>

- You may also follow us on Twitter - @chesswoodschool or Facebook.

## West Sussex Admissions Information

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply/junior-school-places/>



## West Sussex: Important Junior School Admission Dates

Date	Event
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Starting school and junior school applications open for September 2021</li><li>Opportunity for parents/carers to start visiting schools</li></ul>
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 – 11.59pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Closing date for all primary, infant and junior school applications at 11.59pm.</li></ul>
11 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Closing date for out of time applications</li></ul>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Offer day – You will be notified of the outcome of application by email or letter, depending on how you applied.</li></ul>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 onwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Applications received on or after 12<sup>th</sup> February 2022 will be processed after this date. You will be notified of the outcomes of this application after the Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May.</li></ul>
September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>New term starts</li></ul>

We very much look forward to welcoming your family to Chesswood on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Andrew Jolley'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, flowing 'A' and 'J'.

