Year 2 Transfer 2021 Pupil Frequently Asked Questions









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Question	Basis for answer	School Response
Question posted to school by parent	Confidence in answer from head teacher	Head teacher response to question

1. Master

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2. Life at Chesswood

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Will your lunch menu have vegan options that change between days?	Secure consistent practice	Our school meals are produced by Chartwells. You can view the most recent menu by clicking here: https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=16288 . Chartwells will make adjustments to their menu for vegans to make sure they receive a varied selection. In order to put this in place, please contact West Sussex Special Diets on westsussexspecialdiets@compass-group.co.uk who will then make preparations as necessary. I asked a couple of current Year 3 children about the school dinners and they told me: They are really yummy – my favourite is macaroni cheese!
		They are delicious – the deserts are great!
		Are school dinners nice?
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Will I be with some of my current consistent practice		Yes absolutely! Most children that join us, join us from Springfield and Lyndhurst and so would have a number of children from their class also joining us. We work with your year 2 teachers to ask you to select 3 friends that you would like to be in the same class as when you join Chesswood. We guarantee that you will be with at least 1 of your 3 friends. If you are joining us from a school other than Springfield and





Lyndhurst, but do already know children from Springfield and Lyndhurst, please let us know and we will make sure you are with at least 1 of these friends.

The chances are whilst we will make sure you have at least one friend, you won't be with all of your friends and you will have children from another infant school within your class. But you know what? It's brilliant – you get to make so many new friends! Your teacher will do so many fun games and activities with you early on in your time at Chesswood – to help them to get to know you, and to help you get to know each other as a class. We have some top tips for making new friends (see the poster at the bottom) – and if you really struggle, you'll get extra help from adults.

There are lots of things that we consider when building the classes to give you happiest start possible when you join Chesswood, but we will certainly make sure that at least one of your friendship choices is met.



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How would you help me to make friends if I don't know anyone?

Will I get to be in a class with any of my friends and how do you choose who goes in which class?

What clubs are there? Secure consistent practice		We have a huge selection of clubs at Chesswood! These clubs include Minecraft, Dance, Netball, Football, Drama, Table Tennis, Cookery Club, Choir and many more!
		You can see our most recent clubs by clicking the link at the bottom. Please note the cost, time and day may well change by the time you start at Chesswood, but this will certainly give you an idea of which clubs we have available:
		https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=16357&type=pdf
I love science and experiments – what kind of Science do	Secure consistent practice	We love Science too! You can get a good idea bout the Science that we study at Chesswood by looking at the Science pages on our website – you can find these by clicking here:
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sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Science&pid=94





		In particular, have a look at our Science Curriculum Celebration page here: https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Science+Curriculum+Celebration&pid=884
		Also, watch this video to have a look at Science at Chesswood:
		https://youtu.be/pWf640AAZIM
What new subjects will I learn that I don't currently do at Lyndhurst?	Secure consistent practice	We cover a lot of subjects at Chesswood – lots of these you will already learn at your infant school, we will be using your current learning to help you learn more information and new skills, whilst some will be new. Each of our subjects has pages on our website where you can find out more information – you can reach these pages by clicking here:
		https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Curriculum&pid=53
		Our subjects include Art and design, Computing, Design & Technology, English, Geography, History, Languages, Maths, Music, PSHE, PE, RE and Science.
Will there be a lot more homework? What subjects will there be homework for?	Secure consistent practice	We will help you access homework when you join us as we send you the homework using a program called Teams. You can find more information about this here: https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Homework&pid=1369 .
		The suggested timings for some subjects are 5-10 minutes per although you may prefer to work on the homework in longer blocks on fewer days.
		We have 3 levels of homework – Must, Should and Could. Homework includes, Reading, Spelling, Maths, Writing and then Wider Curriculum tasks. There is more detailed guidance on here:
		https://www.chesswood.w- sussex.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=16361
		We run homework clubs 4 days a week to help you complete your homework if you struggle to do so at home.
Will there be any school trips?	Secure consistent practice	Oh yes! In Year 3 we have a mixture of special events in school where we welcome visitors and trips to venues. Currently, we will visit Wakehurst Place and Fishbourne Roman Villa in Year 3, whilst welcoming Zoo Lab and Worthing Museum as part of our science and history topics. There are additional trips in other year groups including the Weald and Downland Museum, the Observatory Science Centre in Herstmonceux and a residential visit to Bristol in Year 6.
Can I meet my teacher before starting?	Secure consistent practice	Absolutely! We love getting to meet you before you start joining us. There will be a few chances for you to meet us. Children from Springfield and Lyndhurst will visit us in the summer term before joining us. Your new Year 3 teacher will also visit Springfield and





		Lyndhurst to say hello to you before you join us. There will also be a transition evening and day at the start of July where you will get to meet your teacher and spend the day with your new class. We will also hold a welcome to Chesswood picnic towards the end of the summer holiday next August where you will get to meet a lot of the Chesswood adults, including your teacher. If needed, we will be able to arrange extra visits for you to come and meet your teacher.
Is there a bag in the school uniform or can I bring any rucksack I like?	Certain	We do have Chesswood book bags and PE kit bags available but you do not have to use these bags. You can bring a rucksack of your choosing – it just needs to fit within your locker (40cm x 40cm x 25cm) – most typical rucksacks will easily fit in your locker .