

Year 2 Transfer 2022

Pupil

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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

Question	Basis for answer	Reference
<p>Related Questions</p> <p>The following questions are believed to be similar and answered fully by the question above – if that is not the case please contact head teacher head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</p>		

2. Friendships





Question	Basis for answer	School Response
<p>WILL I BE IN THE SAME CLASS AS MY FRIENDS?</p>  <p>The poster lists friendship expectations: FORGIVE (each other), RESPECT (everyone), INCLUDE (others), ENCOURAGE (one another), NEVER (give up on each other), DEPEND (on each other), SHARE AND CARE (with and for others). It also includes a quote: "Of all possessions a friend is the most precious" and a reference to Herodotus.</p>	Secure consistent practice	<p>Children joining us from Lyndhurst and Springfield will be in a class with at least one of their 3 friendship choices.</p> <p>There are going to be 4 year 3 classes at Chesswood this September, so the chances are you won't be with all of your friends and you will have children from another infant school within your class.</p> <p>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 on the left) – and if you really struggle, you'll get extra help from adults.</p>
<p>Related Questions</p> <p>The following questions are believed to be similar and answered fully by the question above – if that is not the case please contact head teacher head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</p>		<p>I would like to be in a class with my best friend who is coming from Springfield school but I don't know if this is possible?</p> <p>Will you know anybody in the class?</p> <p>I am worried that I will not be put in the same class as the friends I have put on my list. Can I be with my friends in the same class?</p> <p>If my best friends all had the same names on their list, would i get them all in my class?</p> <p>How many children will there be in my class?</p> <p>Is there a friendship bench like at Lyndhurst?</p>



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3. Adults at Chesswood

Question	Basis for answer	Reference
<i>Will my teacher be nice?</i>	Certain	<p>The Year 3 teachers, like all of the teachers at Chesswood are really friendly! They all love children and are really excited to meet you. You will get the chance to meet your teacher on Tuesday 5th July and then spend the day with them on Wednesday 6th July. You will find out which teacher is teaching you on Friday 1st July.</p> <p>The Year 3 teachers and their class names are:</p> <p>3HC – Mrs Hayman & Mrs Cox</p> <div></div> <p>3CH – Miss Hayles</p> <div></div> <p>3PB – Mr Barnard</p> <div></div> <p>3DH – Mr Harney</p>

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Year 3/4 Phase Leader – Mr Gilbert



Related Questions

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Will my teacher be nice?
 Will our teachers be nice?
 How many teachers are there in Chesswood?
 Will my friends be in my class
 WHEN WILL I KNOW WHO MY TEACHER IS.
 what class am I in and who is my teacher
 how many children are in the class
 Please can I be in same class as my friend - he makes me feel happy .

How many adults will be in our class? Will we have a helper?

Best Possible Estimate





There will be between 28 and 32 children in each class. Each class will have at least 2 adults including the class teacher. In some classes, there will be another adult to help. If you need help with your work, we will make sure you get help.

4. Learning at Chesswood

Question	Basis for answer	Reference
Is the work at	Secure	The learning isn't easy – if it's something you can already do, you're

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<p>chesswood really hard?</p> 	<p>consistent practice</p>	<p>just practicing. However, it also isn't really, really hard – it should be just the right level of challenge for you. This means you'll need to think positively and persevere with your work. If needed, you will get help from an adult. You'll find lots of supportive posters around school to help you. You will never get in trouble for getting a question wrong – just try your best 😊.</p>
<p>Related Questions</p> <p>The following questions are believed to be similar and answered fully by the question above – if that is not the case please contact head teacher head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</p>	<p>I am worried if I might not get a hard question right. Will I be in trouble?</p>	
<p>What is the most popular subject at Chesswood?</p>	<p>Best possible estimate</p>	<p>That's a really tricky question as we have so many subjects and clubs linked to these, which children love to attend. Popular subjects include PE – Mr Quick (pictured left below) and Mrs Jakobsen (middle) will teach you for this. We have lots of sporting clubs and sporting events which children love to take part in. Music is also very popular at Chesswood – Mrs Cossins (right) will teach you for this. Some children choose to learn a musical instrument such as drums, violin, guitar and ukulele, which is something that your parents can organise through the school office if they wish to. Lots of people enjoy working on projects in our DT Room which includes cooking – pizza, curry, noodles & soup – and using sewing machines. We even make catapults in Year 3!</p> <div data-bbox="609 1458 911 1765" data-label="Image">  </div> <div data-bbox="919 1458 1246 1765" data-label="Image">  </div> <div data-bbox="1254 1458 1513 1765" data-label="Image">  </div>
<p>What new subjects will I learn that I don't do at Lyndhurst?</p>	<p>Secure consistent practice</p>	<p>Lots of the subjects that you will be learning will be the same as the subjects that you learn already but you will learn about new topics within these subjects. In Year 3 you learn about the Stone Age and the Romans in our history sessions. In our Art sessions, you get to make mobiles, collages, sew and use clay to make sea-themed tiles! In DT, you get to cook soup and pizza. In Computing you get to create code and debug using a program called Scratch and make your own online survey and send it to the rest of your class. There are lots of other subjects, which we know you will love and enjoy.</p>



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<p>Related Questions</p> <p>The following questions are believed to be similar and answered fully by the question above – if that is not the case please contact head teacher head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</p>		What will be learning in year 3 in history
<p>Where is the library?</p>	Certain	<p>Most of the books that you will need to read are located in draws in the Year 3 corridor. The draws look like this:</p>  <p>The numbers tell you how difficult the books are based on the words in the story and how long the book is. We'll explain to you all about this in September to help you choose the books that are right for you. You have the opportunity to win a new reading book each half term by meeting your individual reading target.</p>

5. Life at Chesswood Junior School


Question	Basis for answer	Reference
How many competitions do you have at Chesswood?	Best possible estimate	Lots! The competitions include Maths competitions using TT Rock Stars – you'll learn all about this in September. We have lots of sporting competitions where we compete against other schools. There are also art competitions, including the opportunity to design Christmas Cards and new backgrounds for the desktop on the school computers! You'll find out all about these at the time of the competitions when you're at Chesswood.
What if I get lost in the school? For example, when I need to go to the toilet.	Certain	Don't worry! Most of the places you need at Chesswood are all in one corridor – but we will show you where things are. There are lots of friendly children around and adults who will help you if you've got lost. Before long you'll be showing other people where things are at Chesswood. If in doubt, just ask the nearest adult.
Where are the toilets?	Certain	There are lots of toilets located around school, but the ones that you need are located in the Year 3 corridor at each end. They look like this:



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What clubs do you have?	Certain	<p>We have so many clubs! They are updated each term – your parents will be given information on how to sign up for these in September, but the clubs include:</p> <p>Minecraft, karate, basketball, chess, athletics, STEM, singing, gymnastics, The Outdoors Project, computer, cookery, table tennis, sewing, gardening, Lego, VR Around the World, football and so many more!</p>
Related Questions The following questions are believed to be similar and answered fully by the question above – if that is not the case please contact head teacher head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk		<p>What clubs can Year 3 do?</p> <p>Is there a dance and lego club?</p> <p>What after school clubs can I do?</p> <p>What after-school clubs are there?</p> <p>When am I able to start at cookery club?</p> <p>Can I be in computing club?</p>
What school trips are available to me and how many?	Certain	<p>We have several trips during your time at Chesswood. In Year 3 you will visit Wakehurst as part of our Science learning about plants and Fiskbourne Roman Palace as part of our History learning. We also are visited by ZooLab to support one of our Science topics. There are trips in each year group, including our visit to Bristol in Year 6!</p>
Related Questions The following questions are believed to be similar and answered fully by the question above – if that is not the case please contact head teacher head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk		<p>Do we go on any school trips in Year 3?</p> <p>What school trips do we have in year 3?</p> <p>Are there organized trips?</p>
Do you have pizza for lunch?	Best possible estimate	<p>Sometimes! On our most recent hot school dinners menu, there is Cheese & Tomato Pizza on one day each week 😊.</p>
Will I see my sister in the playground?	Best possible estimate	<p>Possibly – depending on what year group they are in. Typically Year 3 and 4 share a playground at break and lunch – we will support you this and give some time just as Year 3 on the playground when you first join us. You are unlikely to see your brother and sister if they are in Years 5 or 6.</p>
How many years are there in Chesswood?	Certain	<p>There are 4 years at Chesswood – Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. There are between 4 and 6 classes in each year group. Years 3 and 4 are in one building, whilst Years 5 and 6 are in another.</p>



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Can you help me when i get nervous ?	Certain	Absolutely! It's entirely understandable to feel nervous when starting a new school. We will give you the help you need – whether this is to do with your learning or for other issues such as feeling upset or help with friends.
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What type of maths do we do in year 3?	Certain	All sorts! We cover a lot of topics in Maths – many of which you will have already looked at before. We will work on adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing – we focus on this most mornings during registration. You'll also learn about fractions, 2-D and 3-D shapes and learning to tell the time. You'll hear the names Starter Boards, Nasty Maths and Turbo Maths. Starter Boards is the time where you practice using written methods
Can I wear odd socks to school?	Certain	It's a good idea to wear matching socks – especially to help the adults at home keep matching pairs together – but if you need to wear odd socks, that's fine 😊.
Can I bring juice for lunchtime?	Certain	Yes you can. You can have a water bottle with you to sip drinks during the day. You can bring a still drink – squash or juice to have at lunchtime.
Can you see the other classrooms a lot?	Certain	You won't see a lot of the other classrooms as most of your lessons take place in your own room, but you will get to see the children from the other Year 3 classes during break and lunch.
Do you have detentions for misbehaving children?	Certain	We believe that everyone should follow the Bright Sparks code – we'll explain this to you when you join us but the most important part of this to remember is to show Courtesy, Care & Kindness. If things go wrong, you may need to carry out a reflect and restore session. This is where you will spend some time with an adult thinking about what went wrong & why it went wrong and then making it right – for example writing a letter of apology to someone. Then we move on 😊. Below you can see a mini version of the Bright Sparks poster just so you recognise what it looks like – don't worry you don't need to read of these now – we will share this with you as part of your welcome booklet.



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Chesswood Bright-Sparks

Be the best we can be, at all times
 Respect the rights of others and take our responsibilities seriously
 Innovate – we are creative, ask questions, investigate new ideas
 Go "the extra mile" in everything we do
 Hold high expectations of ourselves and others
 Turn up, turn up on time, turn up ready for action
 Seize the opportunities we have and make the most of them
 Persevere when challenged - think positively, find solutions, never give up!
 Aspire to great things – 'Dream Aspire
 Achieve,' be extraordinary
 Recognise our part in the community – school, local, national and international
 Know we are part of the Chesswood team – we are willing to help and be helped
 Show courtesy, care and kindness, all of the time

Related Questions

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Is chesswood a very strict school?

What will we do in PE? I like to be outdoors all the time!

Certain

You can find out lots about PE at Chesswood by visiting our website on the link below:

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Physical+Education&pid=87>

You have 2 PE sessions a week – one on Monday and one on Tuesday. Sometimes these sessions are indoors and sometimes they are outdoors. Year 3 topics include gymnastics, dance, invasion games, fielding skills (rolling, stopping, catching), scooter skills & road safety and striking the ball.

Can we try to play all the musical instruments in the music room?

Certain

Mrs Cossins will explain what you can and can't do in the Music room when you join us in September. She loves welcoming children into her room to practice using instruments but will want to make sure these are used correctly and safely so that everyone can continue to enjoy using them. You can find out more about Music at Chesswood by visiting our website on the link below:

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Music&pid=73>

Can you wear your own clothes when it's your birthday?

Certain

Yes you can 😊

Is Chesswood a good school?

Certain

Great question! We think it's fabulous, but I thought I would ask some current Year 3 children what they think of it – here is what they said:
 Yes because you have a wide range of activities and each lesson is always fun. I'd say yes because we get to make pizza in DT! I think



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		Chesswood is a really good school because we get to make delicious food in DT. Also, there is the summer fayre and other events like our goblin car racing.
<i>What outside equipment does the school have?</i>	Certain	We have lots of outside equipment for children to use. This includes scooters, racquets, balls, hoola hoops, skipping ropes, pom poms, a giant Connect Four and several games painted on the playground such as Twister and Snakes and Ladders.
<i>Can you ask David Walliams to visit the school because I love his books and Britain's got talent?!</i>	Certain	What a great idea – I love David Walliams' books too – I've read them all! I'll write to him and see what he says.
<i>How do I get to spend time with Griff the dog?</i>	Certain	We have 3 dogs at Chesswood – you'll see them around. Usually they help children who are struggling to come into school, or particularly upset. Sometimes children get to spend time with the dogs as a reward. You don't have to spend time with the dogs if you don't want to 😊.

6. Transition Arrangements

Question	Basis for answer	Reference
<i>What will the first day in chesswood be like?</i>	Secure consistent practice	We'll tell you all about your first day when you come to us for an induction day on Wednesday 6 th July.