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We need your help

Would you spare 5-10 minutes Maximum?

By Monday 4th July?

Please don't delay – share your views today...

1. Visit <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>
2. Register – email and password and confirm you are a parent
3. Go to 'Give Your Views'
4. Complete 14 multiple choice questions – Agree or Disagree

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'My child is happy at this school.'

☐ Strongly agree
☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Strongly disagree
☐ Don't know

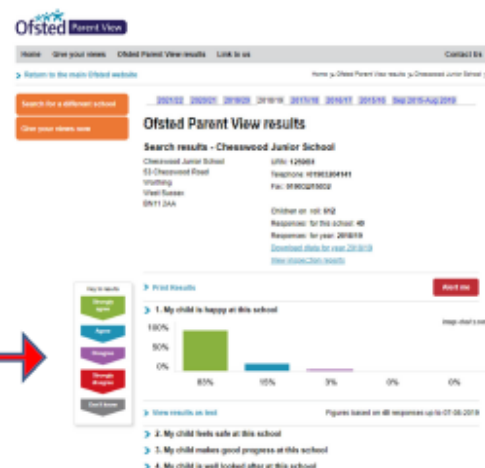
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We would like ALL families to share their views, by Monday 4th July 2022; capturing the overwhelming positivity we hear every day from so many families would be genuinely appreciated by school staff.

Multiple Choice - Give Your views

The information will be used in our next Ofsted inspection, expected before Christmas 2022, as evidence on whether Chesswood Junior School continues to be a good school.

You may view results from previous years – Ofsted Parent View Results



Dream Aspire Achieve

A massive thank you to the families that have already completed the Ofsted Parent View Questionnaire. Could we ask the remainder of families to complete the questionnaire in the coming weeks –

5-10 mins tell us what you think!



CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

News



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Weekly Communication Roundup

[School Calendar here](#) – Don't miss out!

Year 5 Sports Day – Thursday 16th June
Year 3 Roman Day – Thursday 16th June
Summer Fayre – Friday 17th June
Bag2School Collection – Thursday 23rd June
Y4 Rampion i360 Trip – 28th June – 30th June
Jumanji Performances – Friday 1st July,
 Monday 4th July and Thursday 7th July
Year 4 Sports Day – Thursday 7th July
Dance Mania show – Friday 8th July 4.30pm
Year 3 Sports Day – Thursday 14th July

Do you have a concern?

We hope you and your child have a great school experience. However, if you hold a concern about an experience at Chesswood Junior School, please share it with us. We always try to provide the best school experience we can for all members of the school community and we are interested to know where we can make improvements, small or large. Please use this email to share a concern: concern@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk We will always respond within 5 working days and often much quicker than that. You may also tag specific individual professionals but we would ask that the concern@ email address is always used to ensure senior leaders are kept well informed of experiences for children and families.

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 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 –

[Chesswood Junior School - Latest Correspondence](#)

Newsletter from previous academic years may be found at –

[Chesswood Junior School - Previous Academic Year Newsletters](#)

You may find all current term correspondence for the whole school –

[Chesswood Junior School - Current Academic Year Correspondence](#)

Current and previous correspondence for specific year groups

Year 3 - [Chesswood Junior School - Year 3](#)

Year 4 - [Chesswood Junior School - Year 4](#)

Year 5 - [Chesswood Junior School - Year 5](#)

Year 6 - [Chesswood Junior School - Year 6](#)

Assembly information - [click here](#)

Weekly Attendance

Bright Sparks – Turn up, Turn up on Time,
Turn up Ready for Action!

The following classes have won the year group attendance trophies for Week beginning 23rd May. Well done!!

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3TH 97.9%	4MP 96.3%	5HH & 5EM 96.6%	6OP 99.3%

Information

Jumanji Chesswood's school Production.

You can find all information regarding Jumaji on our website. [click here](#) to follow the link. This page will be continuously updated.



If you love to dance then Dancemania is for you!

What you need to do:

- 1. Get a dance group together (up to 6 people) - you can dance by yourself if you want to!**
- 2. Complete the Application Form.**
- 3. Choreograph a dance to music (no longer than 2 minutes long) and rehearse and practice on the playground/field or at home.**
- 4. Your dance needs to be original—your own ideas.**
- 5. You will be dancing in front of over 100 people.**
- 6. Show time is the Friday 8th July 4.30pm.**



Applications need to be to Mr Quick by Monday 20th June



"Pentecost"
Monday 13th June
3.30-5.30pm
 St George's Church
 St George's Road BN11 2DS
 Join us for crafts celebration & meal.
 No charge but donations appreciated
 For further details contact
 Kathryn 07594608590
 kathryn@stgw.org.uk
 www.stgw.org.uk

Year 4 trip to Brighton Rampion Visitor Centre & i360 – June 2022

To enrich the pupils' learning in our upcoming Geography topic, children will be travelling to Brighton's Rampion Visitor Centre and will get to experience boarding the i360 – a 162m tall tower – to observe the Rampion Wind Farm at a height of 138m. Children will discover how we get energy to provide heat and electricity so that the products we use every day can function.

Tuesday 28th June – 4MH & 4DG

Wednesday 29th June – 4CR

Thursday 30th June – 4MC & 4MP

[Click here](#) for full letter.

Chesswood Wilderness Explorers

Now that it is warming up outside, why wouldn't you want to spend more time outdoors?

Have a go at completing some of these outdoor challenges with those around you.

If you complete the challenges and activities, send a picture to Mrs Hamilton and Miss McConnell. You can win up to 500 House Points, a wilderness explorer badge and feature on the School Website!

Have fun exploring the world around you!

From Mrs Hamilton and Miss McConnell

ahamilton@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk &
emcconnell@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

[Click here](#) to find out more!

Year 6 Sports Day

Finally, we are back to having full Sports Days with parents watching!! It was fantastic to see so many parents/grandparents/carers coming to support the pupils in their final Sports Day at Chesswood. For the first time we had banners supporting the pupils (well Saffah and the Kielder team) which clearly helped inspire Kielder to team victory!

The mini-team competition was won by Ashdown Team B (Tyler, Mason, Aki and Ella) who just pipped 3 other teams to the top spot by just 2 points.



The overall standings after the sprints, distances races and relay were as follows:

1st – Kielder

2nd – Sherwood

3rd – Ashdown

4th – Epping

Upcoming Events:

15th June - Y6 Area Team Quad kids

22nd June – Legacy Games – groups from across the Years involved

5th July – Y3/4 Quaddkids Athletics (rearranged date)

12th July – St Andrews Sports Festival

Bike Week

we are cycling UK

Sunday, 12th June 2022

Join the community family bike train led by the Brighton Bike Hub. Location: University of Brighton, Falmer site rugby pitches (next to train station)
Start: approx. 10am. Ends: approx. 2pm
Provisional Route: Falmer - Stanmer Park - Falmer
Pace: Easy going. Attitude: Fun!

Other activities on the day at University of Brighton, Falmer site include:
• BRITISH CYCLING - Cycling for Schools Training Clinic 10-11am
• 12 KIDZ WOMEN BIKES 10-11am
1.10am - 1.15pm - BRITISH CYCLING THE UNIVERSITY OF BRIGHTON ROAD TO WOODINGDEAN - traffic free intermediate ride to Woodingdean and back, along the recently improved cycle path (10 miles)
1.2.30pm - 1.45pm - 10-12 KIDZ - Road to traffic free intermediate ride to Lanes and back (10 miles)
All rides are FREE and led by trained female British Cycling Ride leaders

Did you know that there are women's bike rides take place throughout the year? Places are limited and can be pre-booked here: <https://www.britishcycling.co.uk/rides> (search by postcode BN1 9NA)

ACE Football Academy

SUMMER HOLIDAY FOOTBALL FUN

Date	Time	Age
26/27/28 July	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years
2/3/4 August	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years
9/10/11 August	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years
16/17/18 August	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years
23/24/25 August	09.30am – 15.30pm	4 – 12 Years

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If you are able to offer any help either in the run up to the Fayre or on the day itself we would love to hear from you. Should you be able to help in some way behind the scenes please do contact us. Please let us know by emailing either trainford@chesswood.wsussex.sch.uk or kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.



Community Hub –

Support for all families available

Those children and families that are not eligible for FSM will be able to access support for food, fuel, clothing, and essentials via the WSCC Community Hub. We would encourage schools to share this information with the school community.

The Community Hub can be contacted on 0330 222 7980 and is open 09:00 – 17:00 seven days a week.

Further information can be found via [West Sussex County Council website](#).



Healthy Start Promotional Material



For those who may not already be aware, **Healthy Start** is a scheme providing money for fresh fruit, veg and milk and formula to expectant mothers and those with children under 4. The service run by the government and is free, however take-up is currently very low as many do not know about the scheme. We are trying to change this and get more people to sign up to access the support they are entitled to - especially as financial pressure on our communities continues to increase.

For more information please [Click Here](#)



Free informal workshops for parents and carers of children and young people to help support their child's mental health.

As a parent, we often find ourselves ill-equipped when it comes to dealing with, or even being aware of, our child's or young person's mental wellbeing, but help is at hand. West Sussex Mind are running a series of friendly, confidential and relaxed workshops where we will discuss about the challenges to young people's mental health, gain confidence in having conversations about how they are feeling and thinking and explore ways to help your young person with any emotional difficulties.

Spring and Summer dates now available. Book now - [West Sussex Mind | Understanding Young People's Mental Health](#)

THE BEST CLUB SHE'S BEEN TO ... IT'S JUST EAT, SLEEP & DRAMA NOW!

Sussex Parents

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NATIONAL BOOK tokens



Here's why school libraries need our help

Reading for pleasure – which has been shown time and time again to be the single biggest indicator of a child's future success – is falling off the agenda after two years of disruption and lost learning.

A survey by our friends at Read for Good reveals that 81% of schools lack a separate budget for reading for pleasure, while almost three quarters of school libraries report dedicated stocks, and resources being diverted elsewhere in the school.

It's time to **#rebuildthelibrary**. We're giving five schools £1,000 of National Book Tokens each, plus membership to the School Library Association, to help them rebuild their ranges of books and encourage reading for pleasure now and for generations to come.

[Rebuild the library ▶](#)



Nominate your school and win National Book Tokens!

When you nominate a school to win one of five £1,000 prizes, we'll also enter you into a draw to win a £100 National Book Token to spend in your favourite bookshop or online.

Don't forget: set even more nominations for your school by sharing the competition with other parents, teachers and school staff!

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Staff leaving at the end of the academic year

We are taking this opportunity to inform you of people who will sadly be leaving us at the end of the academic year. This is the earliest opportunity to inform everyone of future plans but it also gives us a half term to celebrate their achievements while they are still with us. Children in their classes will be moving to new teachers and support staff in September, therefore there is no change and they should continue to be the best they can be showing courtesy care and kindness each and every day. We are currently in the process of recruiting and will confirm class teachers and support staff as soon as possible. Although there are a notable number of staff leaving us, the number of pupils in school is falling by up to 100 children over two years, this is helping to managing staff reduction.

We wish all the staff leaving us every happiness and success in future and thank them for their commitment to our children, families and the community during their time with us.

Michelle Hills



Miss Hills has been teaching at Chesswood for six and a half years, gaining experience in years 3, 4 and 6; she has decided to broaden her teaching (and life) experience by accepting a new challenge in China. Chesswood has been a major part of her life since her final university placement, which demonstrated her immense skills as a teacher and led to her employment with us. Miss Hills has told us how much she will miss us, but this cannot be as much as we will miss her; ex-students often request work experience with her, which tells us everything you need to know. The nurturing atmosphere she has created in her classrooms has been a model for others to follow and she has been an integral member of the team developing Design and Technology teaching throughout the school. She has also supported so many other aspects of school life that they cannot all be

listed. She has been a wonderful teacher, colleague and friend to so many people, she will be hard to replace.

Danni Barnard-Grove



Miss Barnard-Grove has been a valued member of the Chesswood team since September 2016. In this time, she's worked with a range of children as a one-to-one, as class TA and as HLTA. Now Danni is a mum, she wants to spend precious time with her baby and is venturing into a new career away from schools. We will miss her cheerful and fun nature and we know how much the children will miss her as she has been well liked by so many. She has made such a difference to the education of a wide range of children including many with significant additional needs. Thank you Danni!

Danni Gilmour



Miss Gilmour has been with us for two years in year 4; she is moving to another school in Sussex to become their English lead teacher. Miss Gilmour was also employed following her final university placement at Chesswood, where her enthusiasm and zest for life was clear to all who worked with her. She has supported art development throughout the school, including running after school clubs, and made some lasting connections with her pupils and colleagues. We will miss her terribly.

Ellis McConnell



Miss McConnell has also been with us for two years in year 5; she is moving abroad to broaden her experience in Romania. She was another teacher employed following her final university placement at Chesswood - can you spot a theme here? Miss McConnell has built fantastic relationships with the children in her class and the colleagues she has worked with. Parents have provided amazing feedback about her support of children with additional learning

needs, she really has made a difference to their lives. Miss McConnell has also helped develop geography across the school. She will be sorely missed.

Emily Wadge



Miss Wadge has also been with us for two years in year 6; she is moving to teach at another school in Sussex. Miss Wadge was not employed having worked for us as a student; she gave one of the best interviews we have ever had, despite having to do this on-line due to COVID-19 restrictions. The relationships she has built with her pupils will be remembered forever and she could well be one of their favourite all-time teachers. She has helped develop modern foreign languages (French) across the school and has boundless enthusiasm that will be hard to find again.

Jorge Latter



Mr Latter's exuberant nature has brought great positive energy to the Chesswood Team. We're excited for him as he's going to take time to travel and have adventures abroad. Jorge has shown great dedication and commitment to working with so many of the children at Chesswood - as a one-to-one, intervention TA After School Club support and HLTA. He has always been willing to step in to support whenever and wherever we've needed him. This willing flexibility has been invaluable over the last few years. He has been so impressive in his passion for enhancing children's inclusive learning experiences. We will miss you Jorge- happy travels and thank you!

Amy Sarafis



Mrs Sarafis's gentle approach will be much missed by the children she has worked with since she joined us. We are delighted that Amy is to have another baby and wish her and her family all the very best

with this. Amy has been a valued member of the Chesswood community as both TA and parent. We will all miss Amy and thank her for the time she has spent working with the children of Chesswood. We look forward to meeting the new little one!

Tia Ham



Miss Ham joined the school in September and has been a valuable member of the year 3 team. During this time, she has impressed everyone with her enthusiasm and the relationships she has formed with the children in her class. She has also contributed well to the PSHE team and has been a great support to Mr Quick in PE, helping with netball clubs after school. She leaves us to join another Sussex school and we wish her well for her continued teaching journey.

Teacher change of role at the end of the academic year

Zoe Monger



Miss Monger is thankfully staying with us for September to continue her 21-year association with the school. She has decided to step down from her year leader role to focus on class teaching in a part time role for three days a week. We are delighted that we will be able to continue to benefit from her expertise in future years and are safe in the knowledge that the children she will teach are the real winners in this situation.