

A massive thank you to the 53 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!

#### **Ofsted Parent View results**

#### Search results - Chesswood Junior School

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Children on roll: 612
Responses for this school: 53
Responses for year: 2021/22
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# Weekly Communication Roundup

School Calendar here - Don't miss out!

Half Term – 30<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June Year 6 Sports Day – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June Year 5 Sports Day – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June Year 3 Roman Day – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June Summer Fayre – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June Bag2School Collection – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Y4 Rampion i360 Trip – 28<sup>th</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> June Year 4 Sports Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July Year 3 Sports Day – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> 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 share email а 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

missed have and experiencing are understandable parent of the anxietv consequences important of missing 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 –

<u>Chesswood Junior School - Latest</u>

<u>Correspondence</u>

Newsletter from previous academic years may be found at –

<u>Chesswood Junior School - Previous Academic</u> Year Newsletters

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

<u>Chesswood Junior School - Current Academic</u> <u>Year Correspondence</u>

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 Jun ior 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 16th May. Well done!!

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3HG	4MP	5EM	6SJ
99.6%	97.1%	95.7%	99.0%

# Information

## Year 3 Roman Day -

Thursday 16th June 2022 As part of our topic "The Romans" we are encouraging all children to come into school dressed as a Roman (or a Celt!) on Thursday 16th June. Click Here for full letter



# <u>Jumanji Chesswood's school</u> Production.

You can find all information regarding Jumaji on our website. <u>click here</u> to follow the link. This page will be continuously updated.

## **Parking**

Please be considerate when parking down Chesswood Road. We have received information regarding blocked driveways. Please ensure our neighbours have full access at all times.

## 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

# 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 speed 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 Hamiliton 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

<u>ahamilton@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</u> <u>emcconnell@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</u>

Click here to find out more!







# National Numeracy Day – 18<sup>th</sup> May

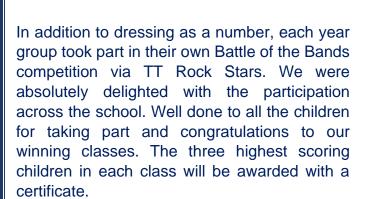
We had a fantastic week celebrating Maths at Chesswood. We were so impressed by amount of numbers on display on Tuesday as part of our dress as a number themed day. You can see a small selection of the costumes worn in our collage. These will be displayed on our Where is the Maths? display in the Year 4 corridor.

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been awarded 50 House Points, the secondplace class 25 House Points and the thirdplace class 10 House Points. Winners were chosen based on the highest average number of correct answers per child per class.

Year 3	Year 4	
1. 3HG	1. 4MH	
2. 3KM	2. 4MC	
3. 3DH	3. 4MP	
Year 5	Year 6	
1. 5HH	1. 6OP	
2. 5CL	2. 6RW	
3. 5ML	3. 6AH	

Well done to everyone who took part in our Battle of the Bands and a special well done to our top 3 pupils in each class! Thank you for making National Numeracy Day a huge success at Chesswood!



Here are the top 3 classes from each year group. Each child in the first-place class has















Our Summer Fayre is drawing near again so we thought it would be helpful to set out some details for new parents and a reminder for others.

Non – Uniform day On Friday 10th June 2022 - in return for a donation for the Summer Fayre Tombola's. Please bring the following items into Reception on 10th June:

**Year 3** – donations for Chocolate Tombola (bars, packets or boxes of chocolates)

**Year 4** – donations for Bottle Tombola (alcohol will need to be brought in by the parent to Reception please)

**Year 5** – donations for Children's Tombola (new games, toys, puzzles, books etc)

**Year 6** – donations of wrapped sweets for our Sweets Stalls.

We will be holding a Raffle at our Summer Fayre. online **Tickets** be purchased can SchoolsBuddy and the Draw will be made in person at the Fayre. The first prize will be an iPad kindly donated by Coast & Country. The second prize is a Luxury hamper and the third prize is a ride in a WW2 jeep kindly donated by Mr & Mrs Carroll. We are having a cake stall and would appreciate your donations of cakes or biscuits. large or small, to sell at the Fayre. Please bring in your cakes to the Staff Room on the morning of the Fayre. Performances The Chesswood choir and other groups will be performing on the day

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.



# **Chesswood Sport News**

## **Upcoming Events**

7<sup>th</sup> June – Sport Without Boundaries Cross Country Run

15th June - Y6 Area Team Quad kids

Y3&4 Quadkids Athletics – new date to be confirmed

#### **Out of School Achievements**

Some of our basketball champions have been at it again now for their club out of school, Hayden and Gabriel played for the Sussex Bears in the Sussex Finals beating the South East Tigers by over 20 points. Gabriel was also voted most valuable player (MVP) in the final too!







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 - <u>West Sussex Mind | Understanding</u> Young People's Mental Health

#### Year 6 Hoodies

Year 6 Hoodies are unavailable before Half Term. We will send communication as soon as they are ready to be collected after Half Term.





# Treat week sales

We have raised over £500 from the treat week sales which will be a great help towards funding the outdoor climbing equimpent

# Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee



Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee - State Events. Historical Events Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June

As we approach a very special occasion in the Follow: history of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland; indeed the world as Queen Elizabeth is almost the longest reigning Head of State of any country, EVER!

In our assembly this week we have focussed on the life of Queen Elizabeth II. We will continue this focus next week. We would encourage you to explore the new web page for Queen Elizabeth II, there is so much interesting content both children and adults will find out so many new things about the Queen,

Commonwealth.

https://www.chesswood.wsussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Queen+Elizabeth+II& pid=1628&action=saved

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- **QUEEN ELIZABETH II**







# 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 classrooms has been a model for others to follow and she has been an integral member of the team developing Design 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.



It is with a sad heart that we are saying goodbye to a member of the office team today. Nicola Da Costa started with us recently in February this year although you may have remembered her as Miss

Bushby as she has worked for us previously at Chesswood. She has accepted the offer for a promotion locally in the community so this will be where she will be working in the future. We are very sad to see her leave but send her every best wish for the future.