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Weekly Communication Roundup Friday 15th October 2021

Key Dates: Treat Week – From Monday 18th October

Parents Evening – Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st October Half Term 25th – 29th October Inset Day – Wednesday 17th November

1. Latest Correspondence - All - Information

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 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	<u>Chesswood Junior School - Previous Academic Year Newsletters</u>			
You may find all current term correspondence for the whole school	<u>Chesswood Junior School - Current Accademic Year Correspondence</u>			
Current and previous correspondence for specific year groups				
Year 3	<u>Chesswood Junior School - Year 3</u>			
Year 4	Chesswood Junior School - Year 4			
Year 5	Chesswood Junior School - Year 5			
Year 6	Chesswood Junior School - Year 6			

2. Weekly Attendance - All - Information

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 11th October. Well done!!				
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
3DH 98.3%	4MC 98.1%	5CL 99.3%	6OP 98.9%	

3. Supporting Children's Health and Medical Needs - ALL - Important

If your child is appearing unwell and you are unsure of whether to send them to school, please click on the link below for advice from the NHS.

Is my child too ill for school - https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

If your child requires an Asthma inhaler to be stored at school, you will need to complete an Asthma Information Form and a Parental Agreement form, which can be found by clicking on the link below. Please complete BOTH of the forms at the bottom of the web page.

Asthma Information Form & Parental Agreement form - https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Asthma&pid=225

Your child's inhaler must be in its original packaging (box) complete with pharmacist's label. It must be in date, clean and full.

If your child requires medication that has been prescribed by their GP and is to be taken more than 3 times a day or at specific times, then you will need to complete a Parental Agreement – prescribed medication form. Please click on the link below.

Parental Agreement – prescribed medication form - https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Prescribed+Medication&pid=1331

If your child requires non-prescribed medication, such as Calpol, the school can only administer the medication for up to 48 hours. After this time, your child will need to have it prescribed by a doctor. A Parental Agreement – non-prescribed form must be completed. Please click on the link below.

Parental Agreement – non-prescribed medication form - https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Non%2DPrescribed+Medication&pid=1330

For safety reasons, children MUST NOT carry medication on their person. All lotions, creams and medication **MUST** be handed to either their teacher or to reception

4. Year 4 Weald & Downland trip

This week year 4 spent a day at the Weald & Downland Museum as part of their topic this term. They had lovely weather for the two days that the trip was held and there are a few photos below of the fun they had whilst continuing their learning off site.



5. Harvest Festival - ALL - Information

A big thank you for all of your support with the Harvest Festival, either by bringing in products for Turning Tides or by monetary donations. The children all looked fantastic in their 'Superhero' outfits and the Fundraising Officer for Turning ides was really impressed and really enjoyed coming in and running part of the Assemblies on Wednesday. Please see a selection of Superhero photos below:



6. Sports News – ALL – Information

Y5 Football Festival

The Y5 football team played in their first festival of the year at St Andrews on Tuesday. Lots of new faces in the team since last time they played together (back in Y3) and they worked hard during the afternoon. The team finished 7th out of 10 teams. Team: Jacob, Ryan, Harrison, Harry, Youssef, Finn, Ben and Isaac.

Football Opportunity - For all

Albion in the Community are running the Premier League Kicks programme which is open to all boys and girls aged 7+ at St



Andrews High School on Wednesday nights on the astro pitch between 6.30-7.30pm (term time only). More information can be found here https://www.albioninthecommunity.org.uk/premier-league-kicks?src=menu

7. Please read – Squid Games - ALL – Information

We have had a number of concerns raised in school regarding children's discussion around the Netflix series 'Squid Game'. This series contains some scenes of fairly brutal violence and is rated 15 by the British Board of Film Classification. Despite its rating, there has been widespread sharing of related content from the series in uploaded clips, memes and the development of downloadable apps on various social media platforms, including some that children may have access to (Roblox, TikTok, YouTube). This may result in children being exposed to disturbing content without even searching for it. It is not appropriate for children to be accessing this content at primary school age and they should not be discussing the content in school. We are asking parents to be extra vigilant in monitoring children's access of online content. We will also be talking to children at school, reminding them of online safety and the dangers of inappropriate content on the internet.

We would urge all parents to read the following 'National Online Safety' advice and support the school in ensuring children don't access, share or discuss disturbing content.

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know?fbclid=IwAR2HDm6IgXntlMjlLaA5v6YDcxej19r86PoM8Y-6ulbP10LCVudGF7R9Cek



8. Pond and Nature Garden - ALL - Information

Are there are any parents who would be willing to join a working party to help maintain the pond area? Ideally this would be once a month at times to be decided. If you are interested, please contact Mr Himsworth on jhimsworth@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.



9. 2022 Secondary School Admissions – Year 6 – Information

A reminder to parents who currently have children in year 6, you will need to complete the secondary school online admissions process, at the very latest by **Sunday 31**st **October 2021**. We have created a page on our website to guide parents through the application process, and that can be visited <u>here</u>.

We wish you every success in securing the school of your choice for your child. To ensure you have the very best chance of securing a school place in the local area – YOU MUST complete the online process **BEFORE SUNDAY 31st OCTOBER**. If you do not submit an application in time it is unlikely that your child will secure a school place within a Worthing school and extremely unlikely that your child will be placed at any of your preferred school. Please, please, please prioritise this process in the interests of your child's learning and happiness in the coming years. The admissions website can be found here.



Every day from 18th October at break, lunchtimes and after school in Reception



Prices from 20p!

11. School Meals-ALL - Information

If you would like your child to have hot school lunches please visit https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/ to place your orders.

If you eligible and would like to apply for Free School Meals please visit https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/#how-to-apply

