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# Weekly Communication Roundup Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

## **Key Dates:**

Meet the Teacher – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September
School photographs – Monday
13<sup>th</sup> September & Siblings Tuesday

14<sup>th</sup> **Uniform Sale** – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

September Planetarium Visit to Chesswood

- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

**Year 3 Zoo Lab visit** – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**Year 5 Herstmonceux Trip** – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October

# 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 Chesswood Junior School - Latest Correspondence newsletters for this academic year for reference on our website Newsletter from previous academic years may Chesswood Junior School - Previous Academic Year Newsletters be found at You may find all current term correspondence Chesswood Junior School - Current Accademic Year Correspondence for the whole school Current and previous correspondence for specific year groups Year 3 Chesswood Junior School - Year 3 Year 4 Chesswood Junior School - Year 4 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 6<sup>th</sup> September to 10<sup>th</sup> September. Well done!!

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3KM	4MP	5CW	6SU
90.0%	89.7%	90.0%	90.0%

## 3. Meet the Teachers – ALL – Information

This is an informal chance to meet your child's teacher, learn about the curriculum for the year, and ask any questions you may have. Please come along to the classroom at 3.15pm, and see below the dates for each year group.

Year 3 – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Year 5 – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

## 4. School Photographs - ALL - PLEASE READ

School photographs will be taking place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September, and sibling photo's on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>. Please can all children attend in **full school uniform**, **NOT** their PE kits.

# 5. Chesswood Road Parking – ALL – PLEASE READ

- At collection and drop off time, please ensure no part of a car you are driving or travelling in stops or parks on the white or yellow zig zag lines.
- Stopping or parking in the RED ZONES presents a VERY HIGH RISK TO CHILDREN AND IS ILLEGAL.
- Please avoid blocking residents' driveways as they may need access.





## 6. Absence Requests – ALL – Information

Please can all parents be aware that in order to request absence for your child during term time, you must complete the online Request for Absence Form. Under exceptional circumstances pupils may be granted absence from school. Any request for absence must be submitted BEFORE the absence is undertaken unless there is an emergency that would naturally take priority. Under normal circumstances, we would ask for a minimum of five working days' notice being given before the first day of absence. In an emergency, as a minimum, we would request a phone call on 01903 204141 or an email to office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk to inform school of the absence and the reasons for it. We will still require the online form to be completed but understand other matters may need to take precedence, for example: an unexpected serious illness of a family member.

HOME > PARENTS > ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY > REQUEST FOR AUTHORISED ABSENCE

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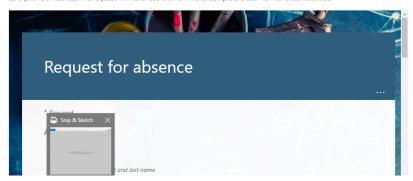
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#### REQUEST FOR ABSENCE FORM

Please complete the form below to request absence for your child for any absence other than their own ill health. You may complete the form on this page or follow this LINK to open in a new window (this is advisable if using a smaller device such as a phone or tablet). The request will take less than 5 mins to complete under normal circumstances.





#### 7. Medication - ALL - Action

If your child has an inhaler, epi-pen or any regular medication needed to be taken in school, please make sure these are in school, and you have filled out the relevant forms on our website.

# 8. 2022 Secondary School Admissions – Year 6 – Information

Parents of children currently in Year 6 will need to complete the secondary school online admissions process, at the very latest by Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. We have created a page on our website to guide parents through the application process, and that can be visited <a href="here">here</a>.

To ensure you have a reference for all available information we have created two web pages to support parents of Year 6 children

1. <u>General Secondary Admissions</u> – importantly this includes website links to all secondary schools in the area. It also indicates which schools have special educational needs specialist support centres for children that currently have or are likely to be registered with an Education and Health Care Plan.

2. <u>Specific 2021 Secondary Admissions Arrangements</u> – this includes the attached letters for your reference and information including a link to the West Sussex website and their leaflets and posters with the key information for all parents.

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.

#### 9. Homework – ALL – PLEASE READ

Following feedback, research and consultation, we have introduced a new system of homework to be more targeted to each child's needs, easier for children and parents to access and simpler for teachers to track. The children will be taught how to access their homework in the first two weeks of term and guidance will be provided to help adults access their child's homework. As with all new ventures, there will be some teething problems, so please bear with us and do report any issues to your class teacher so that they can be corrected for the future. The first day that homework will be issued is Friday 17th September, therefore more information will be added in the coming weeks.

Please read the new homework guidance to see the changes made for this academic year - Website > Learning > Home Learning or use this <u>link</u>.

#### 10. Parent Governor Elections – ALL – Information

We are writing to confirm that there are two Parent Governor positions available. Our election page now contains updated information to support all potential nominees prepare and submit their nomination, including an updated letter. Parents may find the online form and the two versions of the hard copy of the nomination form (word and PDF).

Parent governors are people who wish to make a positive contribution to:

- The leadership and direction of the school
- The quality of education of all children on roll now and in the future Could that be you?

If you:

- Are a parent of a child at Chesswood
- Are interested in the bigger picture of school life and children's school experience
- Want to make a positive difference for all children
- Are available for meetings on Mondays from 6:30pm-8:30pm...
- ...we want to hear from you!

Please visit the Governors page on our website for more information.

Nominations close on Friday 8th October

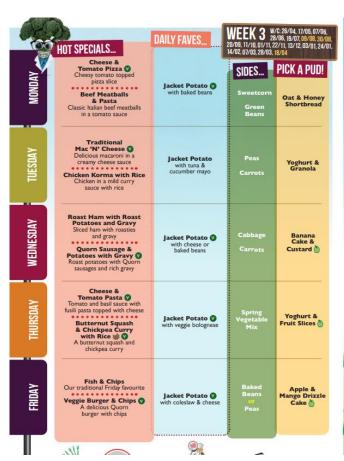
#### 11. Pre-loved Uniform Sale – ALL – Information



## 12. Chartwells Menu – ALL – Information

Please see below for our 3 week menu.

HOT SPECIALS	DAILY FAVES	/LLN   05/0	: 03/05, 24/05, 14/06, 17, 26/07, 16/08, 06/09, /11, 20/12, 10/01, 31/01,		HOT SPECIALS	DAILY FAVES	WEEK 2 21 13/09, 04/10, 25/10, 1 07/02, 28/02, 21/03, 1	7C: 19/04, 10/05, 31/05, 7/06, 12/07, 02/08, 23/08, 15/11, 06/12, 27/12, 17/01, 11/04
Sausage & Mash with Gravy  Mash with pork and bef sausges and rich gravy  Cheese & Tomato Pass Community of the full state of the full sta	Jacket Potato ♥ with cheese or baked beans	SIDES Green Beans Carrots	PICK A PUD!  Yoghurt & Granola	MONDAY	Cheese & Tomato Pizza © Cheesy tomato topped pizza slice Beef Pasta Bolognese A classic Italian beef bolognese in a yummy tomato sauce	Jacket Potato Weith cheese	SIDES Peas Sweetcorn	PICK A PUD!  Muesli Flapjack
Traditional Mac 'N' Cheese  Delicious macaroni in a creary cheese sauce Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice A delicious mild Chicken Tikka Pfasala	Jacket Potato with salmon & cucumber mayo ∰	Spring Vegetable Mix	Apple & Mango Drizzle Cake 🍏	TUESDAY	Sausage & Mash with Gravy Mash with pork and beef sausages and rich gravy Veggle Chilli & Rice @ O A classic vegetable chilli served with rice	Jacket Potato 🔇 with baked beans	Green Beans Peas	Yoghurt & Fruit Slices 🍏
Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Succulent roast beef with roastes and gravy  Sweet Potato & Chickpea Loaf with roast potatoes & gravy	<b>Jacket Potato</b> with baked beans	Cabbage Carrots	Jammy Jack Flapjack	WEDNESDAY	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Delicious roast chicken with roastes and gray  Sweet Potato & Chickpea Loaf  with roast potatoes & gray	Jacket Potato with cheese or baked beans	Cabbage Carrots	Jammy Jack Flapjack
Cheese & Tomato Pizza Cheesy tomato topped pizza slice  Vegetable  Burrito @ O  A soft wrap filled with lightly spiced veggies and rice	Jacket Potato 🔇 with veggle bolognese	Sweetcorn Colesiaw	Oat & Honey Shortbread	THURSDAY	Traditional Mac 'N' Cheese  Delicious macaroni in a creamy cheese sauce Chicken Fillet Sandwich with Diced Potatoes A chicken fillet sandwich with diced potatoes	Jacket Potato with tima & cucumber mayo	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Yoghurt & Granola
Fish & Chips Our traditional Friday favourite Vegele Nuggets & Chips Battered Quorn nuggets with chips	Jacket Potato ♥ with tuna mayo or cheese	Baked Beans or Peas	Yoghurt & Fruit Slices 🖔	FRIDAY	Fish & Chips Our traditional Friday favourite Cheese & Vegetable Frittata & Chips  Yummy cheese and vegetable fritata with chips	Jacket Potato 🔇 with veggle bolognese	Baked Beans or Peas	Banana Cake & Custard
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## 13. Sea Shanty for the Queen – ALL – News

A group of year 5 children sent a video of themselves singing a sea shanty to the Queen, in honour of Prince Phillips passing. The Queen saw the video and loved it, and sent the children a letter and commemorative card to say thank you! A copy of the letter and card can be seen in reception.







# 14. Bag 2 School – ALL – Information

A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated clothing for the Bag2School collection in July and especially to those parents who helped to load the lorry. We raised an amazing £192.00 for the school!



## 15. Pond Area – ALL – Update

We are very near to completing our Pond & Wildlife Area. It looks fantastic with an outdoor classroom/bird hide which all children will be able to use as part of their school day. If anyone has any small binoculars which they are willing to donate to the school these would be gratefully received.









# 16. Fundraising – ALL – Information

Whenever you buy anything online you could be raising FREE donations for **Friends of Chesswood School** with easyfundraising - – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

All you need to do is:

- Go to <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofchesswoodschool/?utm\_campaign=r</u> aise-more and join for free.
- 2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
- 3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to Friends of Chesswood School at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

In addition to this you can also support Chesswood every time you shop with Amazon. AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Friends of Chesswood at NO COST TO YOU. On your first visit to <a href="https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk">www.smile.amazon.co.uk</a> select Friends of Chesswood as your chosen charity. You can use your existing Amazon account but where you see a product is marked "eligible for smile.amazon.co.uk donation" then ensure that you change to the smile.amazon.co.uk page before completing the purchase.

If you have any questions please contact either Kate Brown – <a href="mailto:kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk">kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</a> or the school office.

#### 17. Teacher Award – ALL – Information

We would like to congratulate Mrs Clay on being selected as a winner for the Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards 2021!

## Together we make a difference

www.inspireschools.org.uk



Dear Louise

Re: Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards 2021

Congratulations!

I am pleased to inform you that you have been selected as a winner for the Sussex Teacher of the Year Awards 2021. These awards recognise the contribution teaching, support staff and volunteers make to a successful school.

# 18. Lyndhurst Open Day – ALL – Information

#### Lyndhurst Infant School



Open Day & Evening Sessions for

Parents/Carers of Children starting school

in September 2022

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am

Tuesday 12th October at 11:30am

Thursday 14th October 2021 at 5:30pm

Wednesday 1st December at 10:00am

Places at each session are limited, so please only book 1 session.

Please contact the school office if you would like to book onto one of these sessions:

Tel: 01903 235390

Email: office@lyndhurst-school.co.uk

Open days will include a tour of the whole school and an opportunity to meet the Head Teacher.

Open evenings will also involve a tour of the school, but there will be no children 'at work'. The tour will be divided into two groups, one led by the Head Teacher and one by the Deputy Head Teacher.

\*\* These are information sessions for parents/carers only. Please book a session at a time that you can attend without children.

#### 19. Music Teachers - ALL - Information

Please see below for a list of music and instrumental teachers available to teach at Chesswood.

## List of music and instrumental teachers



#### Claire Cossins

Specialist Music Curriculum Teacher and Co-ordinator

Leads all choirs and music extra-curricular activity including the Performing Arts

ccossins@chesswood.wsussex.sch.uk Chris Terry **Drum teacher** 

To be updated

E-mail:



E-mail: chris.p.terry.ct@gmail.com

**Brass teacher** 

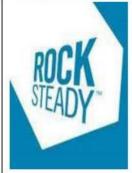
Phone: 07443505533



Erin Harte-Stovell

Violin and strings teacher

E-mail: Erinhartestovellviolin @gmail.com



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info@ rocksteadymusicschool.com Phone: 0330 113 0330



**Anne Whiteside** 

Keyboard, piano and flute teacher

E-mail: Annewhiteside@hotmail.com Phone: 07853855154



**Peter Marchant** 

Guitar teacher (Acoustic, Electric and Ukulele)

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> Phone: 07876597559



Email:

#### 20. WTFC Inclusive Football – ALL – Information



# 21. Messy Church – ALL – Information

