





CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL *News*

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Important Please Note

Christmas Holidays – 19th December – 2nd January

Start of Spring Term – 3rd January

Year 4 children to wear PE kit – 3rd January

Homework

Please [Click here](#) for information and guidance regarding your child's homework.

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 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 5th December. Well done!!

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3PB/CH 93%	4MP 94%	5AL 92%	6PO 92%

Chesswood Calendar 19th December 2022 – 20th January 2023



Chesswood Calendar 12th December 2022 – 20th January 2023



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19th December Christmas Holidays	20th December Christmas Holidays	21st December Christmas Holidays	22nd December Christmas Holidays	23rd December Christmas Holidays
26th December Christmas Holidays	27th December Christmas Holidays	28th December Christmas Holidays	29th December Christmas Holidays	30th December Christmas Holidays
2nd January Christmas Holidays	3rd January Start of Spring Term	4th January	5th January	6th January
9th January Junior Governor Meeting	10th January	11th January Celebration of Learning	12th January	13th January
16th January Governors Meeting	17th January Parents evening	18th January	19 January Parents evening	20th January



Spring Clubs 2023

It is now time for you to sign your child up to Spring term clubs, please do this via My Child at School (MCAS) before Friday 6th January 2023.

Parents Evening

Parents evening will be on Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th January 2023, please book online via My Child at School (MCAS) by Thursday 13th January 2023.

Bag2School collection

Please add to your diary. 26th January 2023.

BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation

Chesswood Junior School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!

Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Christmas Card Competition

Well done to everyone who entered the Christmas card competition, we loved seeing all of your amazing designs! Unfortunately, we could only pick 5 winners, so congratulations to the children below!



Overall winner: Lily Rider 5AL

Year 3 winner: Mia Hryn 3CH

Year 4 winner: Celeste Gregory 4LH

Year 5 winner: Arjun Srivastava 5AL

Year 6 winner: Ayla Marchant 6RW

TT Rockstars

Congratulations to our winners from all year groups as part of the TT Rock Stars England Rocks competition in November. For more detailed results, please scan the QR code to view our Maths Curriculum Celebration page:



Primary Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the 39 Bright Sparks from Years 5 and 6 who participated in this year's Primary Maths Challenge in November. Children were selected based on their amazing test performance in the summer term of the previous school year. During the challenge, they needed to complete 25 increasingly challenging Maths problems. All of the children showed a tremendous attitude and put in a super effort which resulted in some very high scores! Children in Year 6 have been awarded their certificates, whilst children in Year 5 will receive their certificates in assembly this week. Children have been awarded either a bronze, silver or gold award certificate depending on how high their score was. An extra special congratulations to our gold award winners - Ming-Kai from 5JS, Jithaesh from 5JS, Jakub from 6RW, Alana from 6SJ, Benjamin from 6NB and Ava from 6NB. For further details on our winners, please scan the QR code to view our Maths Curriculum Celebration page:



Dancemania



We are now looking ahead to our next dance event – Time to Dance! We are looking for a group to pupils to be part of the Chesswood Time to Dance group for March 2023 – this is the dance event where schools from across Worthing (and slightly further afield) to celebrate their talents at the Pavilion on the pier. In order for us to select a group of children we are holding an audition on Tuesday 10th January between 3.15-4.15pm in the gym. If your child would like to be considered, then they need to do the following:

- Go to the Dance at Chesswood section of the website - <https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Dance+at+Chesswood&pid=89>
- Practice the moves on the top video using the music just below the video
- Then create some of your own moves for the remainder of the music.
- Complete the form if your child would like to attend the audition

We look forward to seeing what you have created on the 10th
Miss Phillips and Mr Quick

Christmas Carol Concerts

The Christmas Carol Concerts were a huge success. We are sure all would agree that they were magical events, bringing joy to all who attended – the children clearly had a great time. We are exceptionally proud of all the amazing pupils in the Chesswood community – for all who took part and those who made individual contributions through solos, readings and acting parts. The confidence of all was great to see.

We'd like to thank our community for the generous donations made in the collections. We raised over **£1000**, which will be used to provide opportunities, experiences and support for the most vulnerable in our immediate community in the coming weeks.



WINTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Children and young people aged 4 to 16 who are eligible for Benefits-related Free School Meals* can take part in free clubs this Winter Holiday and enjoy a free nutritious meal as part of the scheme. Visit our website to find the fun activities near you this winter and book your place

*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for places may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.

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www.westsussex.gov.uk/HAF

#HAF2022

Staying safe near frozen water

Please see the link below regarding staying safe near frozen water.

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Sea+and+Water+Safety&pid=839&action=saved>



Singing with the Angmering Chorale

This Saturday, a small number of children representing the choir came and sang with a huge adult choir in Angmering. It was a huge concert, and the children sang with the adults and on their own. We should have been 30 strong! Superb dedication and commitment to those who turned up. Really proud of them. They were absolutely impeccably behaved and sang beautifully.



Hi, I'm Jo Kambalangi. I will be working in school on Mondays from January 2023. My job title is 'Trainee Education Mental Health Practitioner' with the Thought-Full Team, the Mental Health Support Team for West Sussex. It's normal for children to feel a level of anxiety and overcome different fears at different ages. Sometimes, though, they can get stuck in a pattern of avoiding their fears and/or their anxious feelings impact on their everyday life. In this case, many children can be helped by weekly interventions based on Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT). It's been developed for mild to moderate mental health difficulties, which includes anxiety and low mood. If CBT isn't appropriate for your child, our Team can advise on better alternatives.

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Starting JANUARY 2021!

Back for another year the incredible TOMORROW'S ORCHESTRA PROGRAMME

Free group lessons on orchestral instruments for
children aged 7 - 11

✓ Free for term one
✓ Free Instrument hire
✓ Play in an orchestra






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Tuesdays

WORTHING
Fridays

HORSHAM
Saturdays



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<p>2-4 Dec, 10am - 8pm Christmas Tree Festival A three day convalescent Enjoy trees from our community, supporting local groups. See the Christmas story. Refreshments available.</p>	<p>3 Dec, 3pm Live Nativity Walk the Christmas story around East Worthing (begin and end at church).</p>
<p>4 Dec, 10.30am All Age Interactive Nativity Service Dress up as a Nativity character and join in.</p>	<p>10 Dec, 5pm MU Christmas Singalong Christmas songs with seasonal refreshments.</p>
<p>14 Dec, 6.30pm Carols by Candlelight Traditional carols by the light of candles.</p>	<p>13 Dec, 7.30pm Wreath Making Create your own Christmas decorations.</p>
<p>19 Dec, 3.30pm Christmas Messy Church Full of family fun, activities, crafts and food.</p>	<p>22 Dec, 10am Family Film Morning Catch a Christmas classic, free DVD snacks.</p>
<p>24 Dec, 3 & 5pm Christingle Services Christmas Eve special.</p>	<p>25 Dec, 10.30am All Age Christmas Service Celebrating Jesus' Birthday!</p>

Here to help

Advice and practical support
with the cost of living

[westsussex.gov.uk/CostofLiving](https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/CostofLiving)

Find us on

West Sussex County Council

How to get help

Whether you're looking for tips on how to manage money or manage your finances, we're here to help.

- 1. Our libraries offer a warm welcome**
Friendly staff welcome everyone to our libraries across West Sussex and are on hand to help with books and information about money management, finding work or saving money. Library members can also get online for free.
- 2. Our cost of living webpages**
Go to westsussex.gov.uk/CostofLiving for more information about available support for finances, food, transport, energy, employment, wellbeing and more.
- 3. Our Community Hub**
If you're struggling with fuel costs or food bills, contact our Community Hub for information, advice and support.
Visit our website to see if you are eligible for help from the Household Support Fund and apply online westsussex.gov.uk/CostofLiving

or
Call 0330 222 7980

Find us on

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27TH TO 30TH SEPT '23

PAVILION THEATRE
Plymouth

SCHOOL ROCK
THE NEXT GENERATION
THE MUSICAL

Working Theatre Company are incredibly excited to have secured the rights to the musical School of Rock, which we are bringing to Working's Pavilion Theatre in September 2023.

We are looking to begin casting the show in early 2023 starting with the School of Rock band. If you think you have what it takes to be part of something very special, then keep reading!

There are lots of parts for children as well as the main band. But Horace Green students must all be able to "rock it". Members of the School of Rock band must be skilled musicians and performers as there will be an expectation for some live playing; please note there is a lead guitarist (male), keyboard (male), bass guitarist (female) and drummer (male).

Please click on the link below and complete the form to access your interest.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CtYAPzUj5Z8X6Hn3d9fomF0eR_5B6GvqT5S7M72/edit
schoolrock@wtpc.co.uk

All children need to be between the ages of 8-14 years (no older than 14 when on stage) with no broken voices.


Please note that children's requirements are only a guide, but 'the kids' need to be credibly younger and shorter than the adult cast.

Wickers Gymnastics

**LOOKING FOR A
GYMNASICS CLUB??**

**WICKERS GYMNASTICS HAVE OPENED
OUR WAITING LIST FOR NEW ENQUIRIES**

To add you child to our lists, please email
Child name
Date of birth
Contact telephone number
To
Wickersgymnasticsclub@hotmail.co.uk
or visit
wickersgymnastics.co.uk


Christmas

"The Nativity"

Monday 19th December

Now 3rd Monday of the month!!..

3.30-5.30pm

St George's Church

St George's Road BN11 2DS

**Come & join us for crafts, games,
celebration & a meal**

**No charge, no need to book
Donations appreciated.**

**For further details contact
Kathryn 07594608590**

www.stgw.org.uk



HOLIDAY RETURN MENU

At the beginning of each new term (and after a half term/Bank Holidays) Chartwells may be unable to serve the advertised menu for the first day or first two days of the new term. To enable the advertised menu to be supplied Chartwells need access to a school during the holiday period. Where access is not available the Holiday Return Menu is provided.



'Holiday Return Menu'

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans

OR

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo

(Contains **FISH, EGG, MUSTARD**)

Sweetcorn and Beetroot Salad

Peaches with Optional Custard

(Contains **MILK**)

Milk or Water

(Contains **MILK**)

The Back to School menu is subject to availability and items from other menus may be used. The menu will be in use where access during half term/bank holiday and start days is limited. Please see our website for more details www.mealselector.co.uk

MARCH 2022



Steamplicity

Lunch Menu

Thursday 19th January 2023

Choose a main

Cheese & Tomato Pizza

Vegetable Curry & Rice

Jacket Potato & Veggie Bolognese

on the side...

Rainbow Vegetables or Salad

for dessert...

Chocolate Fudge Brownie

for drink....

Milk or Water

Orders must be placed by Sunday 8th January 2023 at
mealselector.co.uk/westsussex