

CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

Home of Bright Sparks

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Use of Freckle Maths - Pilot Programme Inclusion

Dear Parents.

I am delighted to announce that your child is one of 60 across the school who has been selected to take part in a pilot programme which will enable them to access Maths homework tailored specifically to their needs in the spring and summer term via an online learning platform called Freckle. Freckle is run by Renaissance, the company behind Accelerated Reader. This will see an adjustment to the Maths homework they undertake weekly in the spring and summer term. We are looking into the effectiveness of the Maths equivalent of Accelerated Reader as a way to help accelerate progress for children in Maths across Years 3, 4 and 5 & provide the highest quality & most effective homework.

What will this look like for my child?

Each child selected will sit an online 'Star Maths' assessment in school before the end of the autumn term. This is similar in style to the Star Reader assessment they sit termly for Reading. No extra preparation is required for this – these assessments will be sat as part of the school day. Renaissance will provide a comprehensive analysis of your child's maths attainment and identify development opportunities. From the start of spring term, children selected will log in to Freckle to complete Maths homework as opposed to using IXL Maths. As a school, we will be aware of which children have been chosen for this pilot and so would not expect them to complete IXL Maths homework – their focus should be using the tailored tasks on Freckle. Freckle can be accessed via an app or visiting student freckle.com. All other aspects of homework remain unchanged. Children selected will access targeted Maths questions or assignments which are aimed at improving the areas they found trickiest when assessed, and progressing those areas further which they are more confident in. Children will receive training in school on how to access Freckle

For more information regarding Freckle, please scan the QR code below:

A Guide for Families – Freckle at Home



Once children have completed their assessment and been shown how to log in, I will write to you again with further guidance on how to access and use Freckle.

Should you have any questions, please contact me via ngilbert@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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