

Parent Governor Vacancies





Our governing body currently has vacancies for 2 parent governors. 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 monthly meetings on Mondays 6:30-8:30p.m.

We want to hear from you - Apply Online Now!

We are particularly interested in increasing the diversity of our governing body and would encourage interest from across our school community, helping us to represent ALL families more effectively.



Please visit https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/
To find out more information (School Info > Governing Body > Becoming a Governor - Election)

Email: clerk@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

Nominations close 12:00p.m. Monday 6th March 2023

Dream Aspire Achieve



PUPIL PREMIUM ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

Could you and your child be ENTITLED to help with costs towards clubs/trips/receive food vouchers/ free holiday activity clubs during school holidays and free school meals?

If you meet any of the following criteria, then you could be entitled:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If so, please contact Tracey Rainford, Family Liaison at Reception or email: trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk





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> NEON ITEMS FOR SALE



WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY

YEARS 3 AND 4 5-6:15PM

YEARS 5 AND 6 6.30-745PM

BOOK VIA MCAS

CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL CHESSWOOD ROAD, WORTHING

Employment Opportunity

Would you be interested in a new job role? We are currently advertising for a part-time Teaching Assistant.

For more details, please visit our school website:

https://www.chesswood.w-

sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Employment+Opportunities&pid=37



Chesswood Junior School

Chesswood Road Worthing BN11 2AA Tel: 01903 204141

Email: jobs@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk Head Teacher: Andrew Jolley

Part-Time Teaching Assistant Required

N.O.R: 600: Years 3 to 6

Position: Teaching Assistant to commence as soon as possible

Hours: We are looking for a full time TA to support our vulnerable learners. This role is likely to involve some 1:1 work along with some class-based support too.

27.5 hours a week 8.45 - 3.15 - term time only.

Pay scale: Grade 3 Point 3, term time only

Fixed Term Contract: Start date as soon as possible until 21 July 2023

Would you like to join a good school? Working with super staff, cheerful children, a creative curriculum, a helpful head, good governors, fantastic facilities and great grounds – now's your chance!

We are seeking an enthusiastic Teaching Assistant to join our team and provide good academic and pastoral support to our most vulnerable children.

If you are

- highly motivated and committed to providing vulnerable children with a high standard of additional support
- patient, caring and kind, and able to help vulnerable children understand how to communicate with peers effectively
- confident in your ability to successfully lead learning with individuals and small groups of children, under the direction of the class teacher
- ready for a positive challenge that will require you to be resilient, imaginative and creative we would love to hear from you!

A copy of the job profile, application form and safer recruitment form can be found on our school website: Or contact the school office, on the following email address for further details: office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.

Applications will only be accepted on the correct application form.

- Closing date 3pm Monday 20th February 2023
- Interviews on Thursday 23rd February 2023

Chesswood is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of our children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. The post will be subject to an enhanced DBS check, health check and satisfactory references.



CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

Home of Bright Sparks

Chesswood Road Worthing West Sussex BN11 2AA

Head Teacher: Mr Andrew Jolley

www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk Tel: Worthing (01903) 204141/2



Friday, 10 February 2023

Are you exhausting?

Dear Parent,

I writing after being contacted by a family this week regarding the harm caused by idling engines immediately outside of a school (although it applies everywhere). It is a habit that most drivers have but it is on that can be easily changed with benefits for all

- 1. Protecting children's health
- 2. Saving money
- Helping the environment

We have created a web page to help the school community easily find out more in formation. In addition, we have created a few posters that will be on our noticeboards at school entrances. In addition, we will be encouraging children through our assembly programme to help parent drivers adopt good habits by switching off their engines within 20 seconds to get the maximum benefit for all.

I hope you will feel able to protect your and other children's health, enjoy saving a bit of money and help protect the environment a little. Please try to support this campaign wherever you can.



Find out more: https://www.chesswood.w- sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Switch+off+Your+engine&pid=1739

Yours faithfully,

Sudren Jolly



Chesswood Junior School



















CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL LEWS



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Important Please Note

Football Festival – 21st February

School Disco - 22nd February

Year 3 – Wakehurst Place Trip – 27th February & 3rd March

World Book Day - 1st March

Inset Day – 8th March

Homework

Please <u>Click here</u> 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 concern@chesswood.wconcern: 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. Nobody has the time to search for letters they think they might have missed and my experience 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 –

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

<u>Correspondence</u>

Newsletter from previous academic years may be found at –

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

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

<u>Chesswood Junior School - Current Academic</u> 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 30th January. Well done!!

| Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|----------------|------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 3HC/3CH 99% | 4LH/4EV/ 4CR 93% | 5HM 99% | 6NB/NS 98% |

Chesswood Calendar 13th **February – 17th March 2023**



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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| 13th February | 14th February | 15th February | 16th February | 17th February |
| Half Term | Half Term | Half Term | Half Term | Half Term |
| 20th February International Day of Women and Girls in Science (Junior Governors Awareness Day) | 21st February Football Festival | 22 nd February School Disco World Thinking Day (Junior Governors Awareness Day) | 23 rd February | 24 th February |
| 27 th February | 28th February | 1st March | 2 nd March | 3 rd March |
| Year 3 – Wakehurst Place Trip Governors Meeting | | World Book Day | Teachers Strike Day | Year 3 visit to Wakehurst Place |
| 6 th March | 7 th March | 8 th March | 9 th March | 10 th March |
| Year 6 Parent evening | Year 6 Parent evening | Inset Day | | |
| 13 th March Year 6 Michelham Priory Trip Governors Meeting | 14 th March Year 6 <u>Michelham</u> Priory Trip | 15 th March Teachers Strike Day | 16 th March Teachers Strike Day | 17 th March Red Nose Day |



⁹ MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

This email is a reminder of the school's policy on the administration of prescribed and non-prescribed medication to pupils, based on guidance and regulations issued by Dept of Health.

FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL PUPILS, CHILDREN SHOULD NEVER CARRY MEDICATION (INCLUDING THROAT SWEETS) ON THEIR PERSON OR IN THEIR SCHOOL BAGS. ALL MEDICATION MUST BE HANDED IN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Prescribed medication

In most circumstances, medication (e.g. antibiotics) prescribed three times a day can be taken at home

- before school,
- > after school
- before bedtime.

However, if your child is required to take prescribed medication four times a day or at set times (such as prior to a meal), clear written instructions must be provided, and the medicine must be kept in a properly labelled container.

The label must be clear and free from alterations or defacement and must show:

- > The name of the medication
- The name of the student
- > The dosage
- Specific directions for the medication (not simply "as directed" or "as required")
- The name of the dispensing pharmacist/doctor
- The expiry date and the date of issue

A parental agreement form for administering prescribed medication must be completed prior to the medication being administered. The form can be found on our website:

HOME > PASTORAL > MEDICAL INTERVENTION > PRESCRIBED MEDICATION

Non-prescribed medication

The use of non-prescribed medication is generally discouraged but we recognise that very occasionally pain relief may be required.

Only the following medication will be administered if symptoms develop in school:

- Paracetamol
- Antihistamine
- Travel sickness (only administered on the return journey of a school trip)

If your child regularly suffers from acute pain such as migraine, you may authorise and supply appropriate painkillers complying with the details as above for 'Prescribed Medication' with a note from your GP or health adviser. Please be advised that all expired medication will be discarded.

The school will not administer nonprescription medication:

- For more than 48 hours and no more than twice per term, with at least a two week break between requests. The school will advise parents to seek advice from their GP if symptoms persist for longer.
- As a preventative, i.e. in case the pupil develops symptoms during the school day
- That is sucked, i.e. lozenges and throat sweets
- If the pupil is taking other prescribed or non-prescribed medication. Only one non-prescribed medication will be administered

A parental agreement form for administering non-prescribed medication must be completed prior to the medication being administered. The form can be found on our website:

HOME > PASTORAL > MEDICAL INTERVENTION > NON-PRESCRIBED MEDICATION

Please make sure that your emergency contact number is up-to-date via the My Child at School app and that you are contactable, in case we need to discuss collection of your child.

¹ ABSENCE REPORTING

If your child is absent from school for any reason, (including medical appointments) please report their absent via our online Reporting Sickness Absence form. The absence reporting form can be accessed by clicking <u>HERE</u> or by visiting the school website:

HOME > PARENTS > ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY > REPORTING SICKNESS ABSENCE

Their absence should be reported by 9.00am each day of their absence.

Your message should clearly state:

- · Child's name
- Class
- Reason for absence (if illness please specify the nature of the illness)

If the school does not receive a reason for your child's absence, we will call home to confirm a reason. If we are unable to contact you for confirmation, we will log the absence as unauthorised.

If you repeatedly fail to inform the school, why your child is absent we will follow up as a child missing in education/safeguarding concern.

Inset Day childcare

We will be arranging childcare facilities at Chesswood for families who need it on the Inset Day on Wednesday 8th March 2023. We will be sending out information regarding this and how to book after half term.

Netball Club Cancellation

Please note Netball Club on Monday 20th February will be cancelled.

ABSENCES FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL APPOINTMENTS

Every effort should be made to avoid making medical and dental appointments during school time. Where this is unavoidable parents should complete a request for absence form, which can be accessed HERE or via our website:

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

PLEASE NOTE:

You should only be contacting the school by phone to report an absence if you do not have access to the internet.

We no longer use Studybugs as a platform for reporting absences. The Studybugs email inbox is no longer monitored. Please delete the app off your mobile phones.

History Competition

Local historian Chris Hare needs your help!

The Friends of the South Downs are producing a photo book celebrating 'A Year in the Life of the South Downs.'

They would like children from local schools to write about one of the photos they have taken.

You could create a piece of creative writing, describe the photo, complete a research project- whatever you would like.

Your piece of writing may be chosen to feature in the book along with the photo!

The link of photos to choose from is: https://southdownsforall.org.uk/gallery/

If you would like to enter please email and Miss Bagnall Miss Laybourn by the Easter holidays claybourn@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk lbagnall@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

Aim Group - Free Online Course

We have a range of fully funded (Free) CACHE accredited qualifications available to help better understand some key issues around young people's mental health and wellbeing, along with a range of other qualifications that may help with developing careers.

Please see below information on structure, criteria and how to express interest:

Course Information/Structure:

- Online E Learning Platform.
- Have a full 6-8 weeks to complete the course
- Assigned your own login details, can log in and out when you please
- Assigned your own tutor who will support you throughout and mark your work
- No Exams or Essays. All Q&A based.
- Gain a Level 2 awarded certificate upon completion (GCSE Grade C equivalent)

Minimum Requirements:

- Aged 19 or above
- Not currently on a Government funded course (inc apprenticeships)
- Has been in EU/UK for the past 3 years

Subjects Available:

- Understanding Autism
- Neuroscience In The Early Years (0-7)
- Understanding Children and Young Peoples Mental Health
- Distressed Behaviour In Children
- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties



If you wish to find out more, please complete the following link and ill be able to give you a call and talk you through how it works:

https://theaimgroup.co.uk/booking-form/0014J00000tX16N

If you would like a phone call regarding this Free Online Course, please contact me on the following details:

joe.rigg@theaimgroup.co.uk - 0203 900 3091 Ext 225

Eat Them To Defeat Them

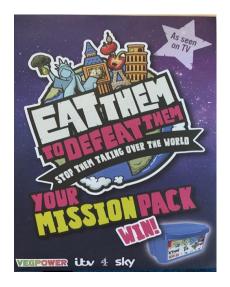
Eat Them To Defeat Them is back!

We would like to celebrate your child's healthy eating habits so have a look at the pack they bring home and try one of the following:

- Complete the veggie chart and bring into school/send us a picture
- Create a new healthy, veggie-based recipe and email it to us
- Cook a veggie-based dish, film it and send the video via email

Please email any of the above to grwright@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk. The deadline for all entries is Friday 24th March 2023. We will celebrate our healthy eaters on our website, in our newsletters and on our social media pages.

Get beeting! Peas don't delay! You have bean warned!



ALL PARENTS – PLEASE READ – IMPORTANT INFORMATION – ENERGY DRINKS

We are just reminding parents that children should only be drinking water whilst in school.

We are seeking to support children's health and well-being and need parents help to do this.

We would ask that drinking bottles are sent in that are appropriate and wherever possible not branded.

We are particularly concerned by drinking bottles advertising or previously used to contain energy drinks that are spectacularly bad for children's health and well-being.

If a child has an energy drink bottle, we will remove it and ensure that the child has access to water from another container at lunch or during the day.

If this should be required, we will, in all instances, contact parents requesting that they take steps to prevent this happening again.

Please also ensure that your child's name is on their bottle so that it can be re-united with them if it was to go missing.

We thank you for your help in this matter.





¹³ Wider curriculum learning

This is what has been happening this week at school.

Year 3



Year 4





Year 6



Sports News

Y3/4 Netball Matchplay Festival

2 teams went to learn about the game of netball at Worthing College on Tuesday. The players had to learn and understand the different positions whilst playing a match against other schools. This was a fantastic learning experience for the players who loved the opportunity to take part.

As this was a festival no results or scores, we given but a player from each team was awarded with a medal for showing the best determination, teamwork or sporting behaviour – Angeline and Dieter won them for Chesswood.

If your daughter would like an exciting netball opportunity, then NRG Netball Club run sessions for Y3 upwards at Worthing College on a Saturday morning from 9am – visit http://www.sussexnrgnetballclub.co.uk/juniors.php for more details.

Worthing Netball Club also offer sessions on a Tuesday afternoon/evening - https://worthingnetballclub.co.uk/ for more details.





Red Team: Siya, Angeline, Selina, Alice, Jess, Gabriel and Leo .
Blue Team: Ana, Dieter, Rebeka, Skye, Anina, Esther and Sonny

Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday 21st Feb Football Festival – Chesswood Field
- Thursday 23rd Y3/4 Gymnastic Workshop – Orchards Junior School
- Wednesday 1st March Y6
 Netball WSSA Tournament Durrington High

As with all our events we do need specific numbers to take part so if your child has been invited and they are unable to attend please email pe@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk to inform Mr Quick so he can invite another pupil.

Out of school achievements

Congratulations to Thedini who won several awards and certificates yesterday at the Worthing Music and Arts Festival playing her violin. Thedini came first place in the Strings section Grades 1 - 2. Well done, Thedini!

We are looking forward to hearing you play to us in assembly.



Safer Internet Day

At Chesswood Junior School, we are celebrating Safer Internet Day. We hope you will join us in discussing how to stay safe online and listening to the experiences of our community when using the internet.



Daily Food Provision

Worthing Homes Community House in Dominion Road offers a daily pop-up foodbank from 9.30am. Surplus fresh food is donated by local supermarkets and is available, please click the below link for more information.

https://www.chesswood.wsussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Worthing+Food+Supp ort&pid=1520&action=saved

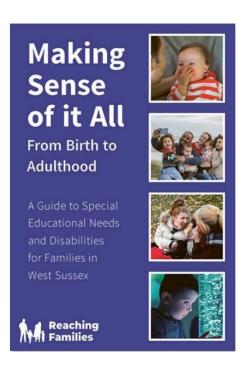


Thank you to those families who were able to attend our meeting yesterday and share your views with West Sussex.

One of the things discussed was the book 'Making Sense of it all' which is a guide to SEND for families in West Sussex.

Thanks to one of our parents who shared the link with me to share with all families.

https://www.reachingfamilies.org.uk/guides.html







Umbrellas Online

Thursdays via Zoom

12th January 10 am - 11.30 am 19th January 7.30 pm - 9 pm 26th January 10 am - 11.30 am 2nd February 7.30 pm - 9 pm 9th February 10 am - 11.30 am 23rd February 7.30 pm - 9 pm

2nd March 10 am - 11.30 am 2th March 7.30 pm - 9 pm 6th March 10 am - 11.30 am 23rd March 7.30 pm - 9 pm 60th March 10 am - 11.30 am

Umbrellas Support Group or would like the link to join Umbrellas online, please contact Hannah Delmar-Addy:

Email: hannah@reachingfamilies.org.uk Telephone: 07951 794734

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Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Creative Heart Community Hub (upstain)

Worthing Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am
Durrington Community Centre
17th January / 7th February / 14th March

Billingshurst Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am Billingshurst Community Centre 18th January / 22nd February / 22nd March

Burgess Hill Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am The Cherry Tree Centre 24th January / 28th February / 28th March

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| February | | |
| Understanding ADHD | Friday 24th | 10.50am |
| Making Sense of Wellbeing - Understanding and building resilience | Tuesday 28th | 7.30 pm |
| March | | |
| Understanding Autism in Girls | Thursday 2nd | 10.50am |
| Understanding Sensory Processing Difficulties | Tuesday 7th | 10.50am |
| Making Sense of Wellbeing - Key skills to improving communication | Tuesday 7th | 7.30pm |
| Making Sense of EHC Needs Assessments and Plans | Thursday 9th | 10.30am |
| Making Sense of Anxiety in Children (Primary age) | Tuesday 14th | 10.30am |
| Making Sense of Universal Credit | Thursday 16th | 10.30am |
| Making Sense of Challenging Behaviour in Adolescence | Monday 20th | 7.30pm |
| Making Sense of Sleep (for children age 2-11 years) | Tuesday 21st | 10.30am |
| Making Sense of Wellbeing - How to improve your mood | Tuesday 21st | 7.50pm |
| Making Sense of Transition to Secondary School | Wednesday 29th | 7.30pm |
| Making Sense of Personal Independence Payments (PIP) | Thursday 50th | 730pm |
| Making Sense of it All Foundation Course | | |
| An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will en- | ounter as their children | prow and |

An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers develop.

Dates: March 8th / 15th / 22nd (5 part course) Wednesdays 7.3

All training will be delivered via Zoom

Reaching Families















































AT OUR EAST BEACH STUDIO IN BETWEEN COAST CAFE AND SPLASHPOINT, WORTHING

Personalise an item, eat cake and let your adult relax! To book email hello@meshirtkits.com

