Our governing body currently has vacancies for 2 parent governors. Parent governors are people who wish to make a positive contribution to:

Parent Governor Vacancies

Chesswood Junior School needs your

Apply to be a School Governor

- 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 <u>https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/</u> To find out more information (School Info > Governing Body > Becoming a Governor <u>- Election</u>) Email: <u>clerk@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</u>

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

Dream Aspire Achieve







### **Important Please Note**

Year 6 Parents Evening – 6<sup>th</sup> &7<sup>th</sup> March

Science Fair – 7<sup>th</sup> March

Inset Day – 8<sup>th</sup> March

Year 6 Michelham Priory Trip - 13th & 14th

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.wа concern: 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> <u>Year Correspondence</u>

Current and previous correspondence for specific year groups Year 3 - <u>Chesswood Junior School - Year 3</u> Year 4 - <u>Chesswood Junior School - Year 4</u> Year 5 - <u>Chesswood Junior School - Year 5</u> Year 6 - <u>Chesswood Junior School - Year 6</u> Assembly information - <u>click here</u>

### **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 20th February. Well done!!

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
3HC, 3PB, 3CH 97%	4CR 98%	5CL, 5ML 97%	6PO, 6NB 95%

# Chesswood Calendar 6<sup>th</sup> March – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2023

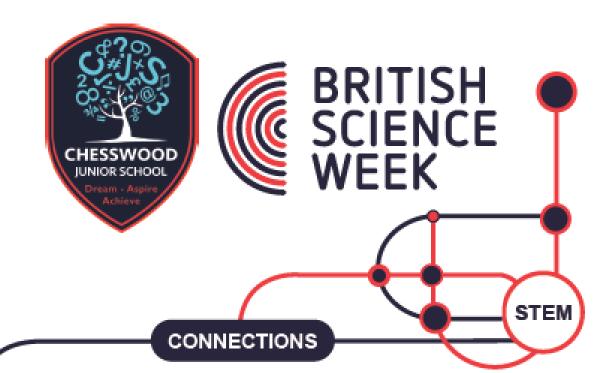
	Chesswood Calendar 6 <sup>th</sup> March – 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2023						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
6 <sup>th</sup> March	7 <sup>th</sup> March	8 <sup>th</sup> March	9 <sup>th</sup> March	10 <sup>th</sup> March			
Year 6 Parent evening	Year 6 Parent evening	Inset Day					
	Science Fair						
13 <sup>th</sup> March	14 <sup>th</sup> March	15 <sup>th</sup> March	16 <sup>th</sup> March	17 <sup>th</sup> March			
Year 6 Michelham Priory Trip Governors Meeting	Year 6 <u>Michelham</u> Priory Trip	Proposed Teachers Strike Day (to be confirmed)	Proposed Teachers Strike Day (to be confirmed)	Red Nose Day			
20 <sup>th</sup> March	21⁵ <sup>t</sup> March	22 <sup>nd</sup> March	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	24 <sup>th</sup> March			
27 <sup>th</sup> March	28 <sup>th</sup> March	29 <sup>th</sup> March	30 <sup>th</sup> March	31 <sup>st</sup> March			
Governors Meeting		Celebration of Learning	Rock Steady Concert				
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	4 <sup>th</sup> April	5 <sup>th</sup> April	6 <sup>th</sup> April	7 <sup>th</sup> April			
Easter Holidays	Easter Holidays	Easter Holidays	Easter Holidays	Easter Holidays			







# Please come to... The Great Chesswood Science Fair! On Tuesday, 7th March 2023 Come in and have a look at the wonderful investigations your children have been participating in and find out a bit more about Chesswood science learning. In the small Hall from 3.15-4pm



Get creative and enter the British Science Association's annual poster competition. The theme this year is connections. How about exploring how our body parts are all connected and work together, the connection between our actions and the impact on our environment, or even how internet connection has changed the world.

Mrs Cox and Miss Monger will select the top five posters to enter the Science Week competition. Chesswood will also award further prizes within a school-level competition with a prize for each year group. All entrants will receive a Science Week certificate.

For further information or ideas visit: https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/

The closing date for the competition will be Tuesday 28th March.

Please email entrants to <a href="mailto:lcox@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk">lcox@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</a> or hand deliver to Mrs Cox in 3HC or Miss Monger in 5HM.

# Introducing: The Fantastic Chesswood... LOVE YOUR LIBRARY WEEK!!!









World Book Day - Competition No. !!

For World Book Day we would like you to make a presentation about your favourite book or your favourite character.



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You can choose how you would like to present this.

It could either be a video, an in class presentation, a poster, a written report or even a storyboard about the book or your chosen character.

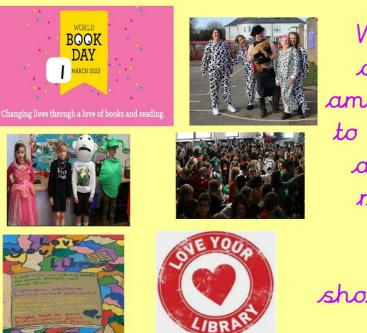


There will be a chance to record videos for this during World Book Day.



Prizes will include book tokens, vouchers and other amazing things!

Please either hand in or email your entries to your class teachers by Monday 13th March. What is it and when is it happening? It will run for the whole of next week and will include World Book Day which will be next Wednesday Ist March.



We will also run two competitions, get our amazing Junior Libarians to come and talk to you all, launch some rew reading ideas and be looking for lots of examples of us all showing some love to our library!

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ve your Library Week!

Competition No.2: Love your Library Week!

For Love Your Library Week we will be running a poster competition!

Can you design a, 'Why we should love our library poster?'



Please hand your entries in to your class teachers by Monday 13th March. It could include:

Why is our library important?

Why is it important that we look after our library?

How could we take more care of our library?

Prizes will include book tokens, vouchers and other amazing things and winners will also be put up on display around our library!

#### Eat Them To Defeat Them

Eat Them To Defeat Them is back!

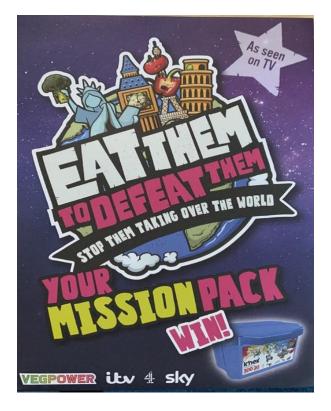
We would like to celebrate your child's healthy eating habits so have a look at the pack they bring home and try one of the following:

- 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!



#### **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.



### CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL Home of Bright Sparks Chesswood Road Worthing West Sussex BN11 2AA Head Teacher: Mr Andrew Jolley



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

February 2023

Dear Parents

Inset Day – Wednesday 8th March 2023

We will be holding an INSET day at Chesswood on Wednesday 8th March 2023 and plan to arrange childcare facilities, at school, for families who need it.

The details are as follows:

- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 7:30am to 3:30pm to include breakfast.
  A range of activities will be served a 1<sup>th</sup>
- A range of activities will be provided throughout the day, such as art and craft, board and card games, sports, nature documentaries and general play. Children will need a packed lunch and a fruit snack. Breakfast will be supplied between 7:30am
- 8:15am The cost for the day will be £25.00 per child to be paid in full by Monday 27th February 2023.
- Numbers will be limited and based on a first come first served basis, for paid only bookings (nonrefundable)

The children will be cared for throughout the day by members of our school support staff, all of whom are suitably qualified, DBS checked and hold first aid qualifications. Should your children have any allergies or medical conditions, please indicate on the form included.

Should you wish your child to attend, please book online via MCAS (in Trips and Events) or on the slip provided. Where two or more siblings are attending, we will offer a 50% reduction in fees for the second child - please contact <u>finance@chernwood.weusex.sch.uk</u> to arrange this. All bookings must be made no later than **27<sup>th</sup> February 2023**, please.

Yours sincerely

Jadren Jelly

Andrew Jolley

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#### **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.

#### **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.

# 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 <u>HERE</u> 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: <a href="https://southdownsforall.org.uk/gallery/">https://southdownsforall.org.uk/gallery/</a>

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

### World Book Day

Please see a selection of photos below which showcase some of the wonderful creations for this year's World Book Day!









#### **Sports News**

#### Y6 Netball Competition

This was a qualifying competition for the Southern Area Event. Our team took a while to get going losing the first 2 games in their group. For the third game they found their rhythm, beating both West Park and Heene. This meant finishing third in the group and a playoff match with The Orchards. Unfortunately, the Orchards pipped us in a close competitive match and we finished 6<sup>th</sup> overall.

Team: Lucy, Ava, Betsy, Emily, Matilda, Jason, Rosa and Cleo.



Club Cancellation – due to the Y3/4 Indoor Athletic Competition there will be NO TAG RUGBY on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Y5 Netball tournament – Worthing High
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> (INSET) Sport Without Boundaries Cross Country – TAB Junior
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Y3/4 Indoor Athletics Competition – St Andrews

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 <u>pe@chesswood.w-</u> <u>sussex.sch.uk</u> to inform Mr Quick so he can invite another pupil.



# 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

#### **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.w-

sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Worthing+Food+Support&p id=1520&action=saved





#### **Single Point** of Access

The West Sussex Single Point of Access (SP0A) is a dedicated service which provides a simplified single route to access specialist emotional wellbeing and mental health support. and mental health support. The SPA help direct you to the right service at the right time, eliminating the need for you to refuse frammaring services. Led by Susser Partnership NHS Foundation Thus, the services is delivered services. Led by Susser Partnership NHS Council Y North (motional Support Council Y North (motional Support Service NTS) and YMCA Dialogue e-welleng is the digital front door for West Susser Stola.

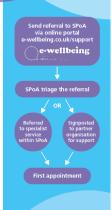
Who can refer to SPoA? children young people, parents, carers, families, GPs and other professionals.

#### How does it work?

The SPOA consists of a team of clinical and administrative staff. All referrals received are triaged (processed) by SPOA within 72 hours. SPAA within 72 hours. Referrais that meet the criteria for SPAA will be directed to the most appropriate service to differ treatment advapent. The service may offer advice, intervention work, a patient care plan, or a specialitis assessment. In some cases, there may also be input from other services too, such as Healthy Child programme or Winston's Web. If your referral does not meet the criteria for SPoA, you will be signposted to other services for support, such as Early Help, Health Visitors and specialist services. This process helps to ensure that the first appointment you have is with the right service.

Making a referral

Go to e-wellbeing.co.uk/support and complete the referral form, providing a clear description of the mental health need and the help or advice you are seeking.



#### Who is the service for?

Who is the service for? SPoA accepts referrals for children and young people from the age of four up to a young percent. Bith birthday, up to a young percent. Bith birthday, registered with Nets Susses CP, while recognising and werking within NHS CHOICE regulators (please note. YES will accept referrals for young people who her West Susses or go to a West Susses school. to a veet sussex scnoo), and All vatice Spectrum Condition (ASC) and ADHD (neurodevelopmenta) referrals need to continue via the current referral noutes, unless three is a mental health or emotional welbeing concerns separate to this. Referrals for young people with eating disorders should be made directly to the Sussex Family Eating Disorder Service (SFEDS).

Other Support sussexcambs.nhs.uk mental health information, advice and resources for young people, parents/carers and professionals.

westsussex.gov.uk/yourmindmatters local information, self-serve advice and training for young people and families.

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Supporting your

Child with Maths.

Do you want to help build your children's confidence with Maths and numbers?

Do you want a better understanding of Maths for everyday life?

Do you want to feel more comfortable and confiden

in your numeracy skills and to help your child to progress faster?

This is the course for you!

Classes are FREE for those on income related benefits!

Education & Skills Funding Agency

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9th January

26th January 2nd February

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23rd March

10 am - 11.30 am

7.30 pm - 9 pm 10 am - 11.30 am 7.30 pm - 9 pm 10 am - 11.30 am

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

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

Burgess Hill Umbrellas



Making Sense of it All Foundation Course

	INFORM	SUPPORT
	Friday 24th	10.50am
•	Tuesday 28th	7.30pm
	Thursday 2nd	10.50am
	Tuesday 7th	10.50am
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	Thursday 9th	10.50em
	Tuesday 14th	10.30am
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	Tuesday 21st	10.30am
	Tuesday 21st	7.30pm
	Wednesday 29th	7.30pm
	Thursday 50th	730pm

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# Confidence with Maths

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#### **Everyday Maths with ESOL**

Do you want to learn English, alongside learning usefu everyday Maths skills for living in the UK?

This course, delivered via zoom, covers everyday maths for ESOL learners whose first language is not English. Topics include: comparing different offers, using English currency understanding bills, learning the language to use for shop and asking how much things cost. The course is for resider living in West Sussex.

Times and Dates: Every Monday and Friday from 1.30pm- 4.30pm via zoom 20<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> March. Enrol online@

https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2021/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C2229636.visit www.wea.org.uk- and type in course ref. C2229636 or phone 0300 303 3464 wad evolv the service a reference.



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Time: 09.30am - 12.00pm

Dates: 6th & 13th March

Venue: Heene Community Centre,

122 Heene Road, Worthing BN11 4PL

https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/

Course Code: C2229685

Email: cramsden@wea.ac.uk

IN ONLY please

Day: Mondays

Cost: FREE\*

CALL TO ENROL - 0300 303 3464

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Creative Heart Community Hub (upsta 11th January / 1st February / 8th March

fuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am /he Cherry Tree Centre /4th January / 28th February / 28th March

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