



# CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL *News*



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## Important Upcoming Dates

**22<sup>nd</sup> April** Extracurricular clubs start  
**23<sup>rd</sup> April** Year 4 Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve trip 4LB & CH  
**23<sup>rd</sup> April** St George's Day - Beavers, Cubs, Rainbows and Brownies can wear uniforms  
**25<sup>th</sup> April** Year 4 Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve trip 4PB & 4UO  
**1<sup>st</sup> May** Celebration of Learning  
**6<sup>th</sup> May** May Bank Holiday  
**7<sup>th</sup> May** Parents evening (3:30-5:30pm)  
**8<sup>th</sup> May** Parents evening (3:30-7pm)  
**13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> May** Year 6 SATS test week

## All Correspondence:

Latest Correspondence

[Chesswood Junior School - Latest 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](#)

## Quick links

**Concern email:** to share concerns with leaders please email -

[concern@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:concern@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk)

**Homework:**

[Link to all year group homework](#)

**Report sickness absence:**

[From a phone link](#)

[Desktop link](#)

**Request future authorised absence:**

[From a phone link](#)

[Desktop link](#)

**Is my child too ill guidance**

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

**Prescribed Medication**

[Website Link](#)

**Non-Prescribed Medication**

[Website Link](#)

**Asthma**

[Website Link](#)

**Are you eligible for Pupil Premium?**

[Website Link](#)

**New Free School Meal Application**

[Website Link](#)



## Chesswood Calendar 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;">    </div> <h3 style="text-align: center;">Chesswood Calendar 22<sup>nd</sup> April – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024</h3>				
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April
Extracurricular clubs start	St George's Day - Beavers, Cubs, Rainbows and Brownies can wear uniforms  Year 4 Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve trip 4LB & CH		Year 4 Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve trip 4PB & 4UO	
29 <sup>th</sup> April	30 <sup>th</sup> April	1 <sup>st</sup> May  Celebration of Learning  Year 3/4 Tennis Festival	2 <sup>nd</sup> May  Year 3/4 Quadkids Qualifier	3 <sup>rd</sup> May
6 <sup>th</sup> May  May Bank holiday	7 <sup>th</sup> May  Parents evening (3:30-5:30pm)	8 <sup>th</sup> May  Parents evening (3:30-7pm) KS1 Balls Skills Festival	9 <sup>th</sup> May  Year 3/4 Gym Competition	10 <sup>th</sup> May
13 <sup>th</sup> May  Year 6 SATS test week	14 <sup>th</sup> May  Year 6 SATS test week	15 <sup>th</sup> May  Year 6 SATS test week	16 <sup>th</sup> May  Year 6 SATS test week	17 <sup>th</sup> May  Year 6 SATS test week



# Important Information

## Year 4 Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve trip 23<sup>rd</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Year 4 pupils' will be going on the school trip to Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

## Is your child entitled?

With the constant rise of the cost of living, is your household income less than £16190.

If so, your child may be entitled to Pupil Premium/Free School meals.

With opportunities to receive two free extracurricular clubs per term along with food vouchers per half term as well as the option of a school meal if required.

If unsure, please contact Tracey Rainford in confidence at [trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) to complete a short online form with an instant decision of eligibility or click [HERE](#) to complete the form.

## Summer term clubs booking

Please note, summer term clubs booking went live on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April on MCAS.

The bookings are available on MCAS till 28<sup>th</sup> April.

The clubs start Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

For more information, see our website: [Chesswood Junior School - Extra-curricular Clubs](#)

## Medication in school

This 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.**

## Inset Day Childcare Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024

Please click on the [LINK](#) regarding Inset Day childcare available on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

## National Numeracy Day – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Please click on the [LINK](#) regarding National Numeracy Day.

**D-DAY**  
6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

**80 YEARS**  
1944-2024

Chartwells  
Menu swap with Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

**MAIN**  
Fish Fingers and Chips  
Vegan Balls in Tomato Sauce and Chips  
Jacket Potato with Cheese and Salad

**SIDES**  
Baked Beans or Peas

**DESSERT**  
Chunky Chocolate Brownie

Order at [www.ParentPay.com](http://www.ParentPay.com) no later than Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024  
Special diet menus will remain in place



## *Time to Dance*

### **Time to Dance**

Another amazing life experience for our pupils – dancing on the stage at the Pavilion to a sold out audience. The girls have been working hard on their dance to be ready for the performance at the theatre.

A big boost of confidence, self-esteem and pride was evident in all the dancers, new friendships made and very proud teachers and family members at the end of it!



## *Outdoor playing area at Chesswood*

Over the holidays we have been developing the outdoor play areas thanks to funds raised by the Friends of Chesswood PTA.

A traversing wall has been installed in the Upper School playground and is already being enjoyed by the children. In the Lower School playground, the outdoor play area has been redeveloped and over the next few weeks we will see the arrival of new outdoor play equipment including a giant sandpit.





# Online Safety

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP

With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients; not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging. WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing its service in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

**AGE RESTRICTION 13+**

### EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency'. Plus a scam where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then (posing as WhatsApp) call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access.

### CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a chat, someone only needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user that they want to message. If your child has ever given their number out to someone they don't know, that person could then contact them via WhatsApp. It's also possible that your child might be added to a group chat (by one of their friends, for example) containing other people that they don't know.

### FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a "Forwarded many times" label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original... and might not be entirely factual either.

### VIEW ONCE CONTENT

The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts, knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased privacy.

### CHAT LOCK

Another new option allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. The risk here is that this function creates the potential for young people to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of (such as age-inappropriate material).

### VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safely on the way home, for example. However, anyone in your child's contacts list or in a mutual group chat can also track their location – potentially letting strangers identify a child's home address or journeys that they make regularly.

## Advice for Parents & Carers ...TYPING...

### EMPHASISE CAUTION

Encourage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: get them to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

### THINKING BEFORE SHARING

Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.

### ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's wise to change your child's WhatsApp settings (go to 'Privacy', then 'Groups') to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval: you can give permission to 'My Contacts' or 'My Contacts Except...'. Additionally, if your child needs to use 'live location', emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

### CHAT ABOUT PRNACY

Some parents like to check in with their child about how they're using WhatsApp, explaining that it will help to keep them safe. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of chats that are in there, who they're with and why your child wants to keep them hidden. Also, if your child has sent any 'view once' content, you could discuss their reasons for using this feature.

### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing Internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

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Links to clubs and events in the community – click the image for the link

Clubs in the Community					
					
Homefield Park Football Club	Wickers Gymnastics	Construction Club	Worthing Harriers Athletics (Y6)	Wannado Street Dance	West Sussex Music
					
South Coast Skateboard	Musical Theatre Classes	Worthing Table Tennis Club	Wild Cats – Girls Football	West Sussex Music	Junior Cricket Camps
					
Worthing Rugby Club	EHS Violin Lessons	South Coast Academy	STEM: At CHESSWOOD	Worthing Music Centre/Drum	DPD Coaching
					
NTC - Nautical Training Corps	Children's Yoga & Wellbeing sessions				



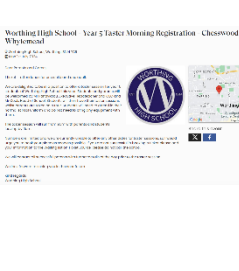
## Community Support

				
Toy Box – Pre-Loved Toys	Building Resilience in Young Minds	Community House Wanna Cook?	UK Harvest – Food Hub	Early Help Service
				
Turning Tides (Summer Wish List 2024)	As You Are Centre (Peer Support Group)	Sussex Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	Nautical Training Corps	Women's Drop In

## Community Events

				
Active8 For Kids	Southdowns Scale Model Show 2024	Spring Pre Loved Sale		

## Year 5 Open Days

				
Steyning Grammar School Taster Day	Christ's Hospital – Year 7 Open Morning	Worthing High School – Taster Morning		