

CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Weekly Communication Edition 09 Friday 15th November 2019

Upcoming key dates for the diary (please see diary for extensive list):

Thursday 21st November: Chesswood Counts Maths Day (non-uniform – dress as a number)

Friday 29th November: Mufti day & donations for Christmas Fayre

Friday 6th December: Christmas jumper day & Christmas Fayre

1. Latest Correspondence – All – Information

| Who needed it | Correspondence |
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| All Parents | Year 6 – Headlice letter Wednesday – Homework |

2. Sports News – All – Information

Worthing Schools Cross Country Event:

66 pupils took part in the annual race up on the Gallops last Saturday – conditions were great for the runners – bright and not too hot.

Our Year 3s started well with the girls teams finishing 4th out of 10 teams and Ayla our top placed runner in 20th. The boys team were 6th out of 11 schools with Harry finishing in a magnificent 4th place. The Year 4 teams girls were in 3rd place and boys 4th and our top runners Millie-Jai 6th and Theo 14th. Year 5 girls finished 4th while the boys were 9th place – our top runners were Bella F in 17th and Tommy in 21st. Year 6s both teams did very well with both teams finishing second in the Worthing Schools competitions. The girls helped by Doris (8th) and Grace (9th) and boys with Riley (3rd) and Thomas (6th) giving both teams a low score.



Year 6 Netball League Finals:

After being undefeated in their pool the team qualified for the finals of the Y6 league against Goring and Thomas A Becket. The finals were played as a round-robin so all teams played each other. In our first match against TAB the team were comfortable 9-0 winners. In the deciding match against Goring it was a close match with our team being 4-1 down at half time they managed to get it back to 7-5 at the final whistle but just missed out this time. **Team:** Vraj, George, Purdy, Maryam, Sorrel, Emily, Anges and Doris.

Year 6 Football League Finals:

After finishing runners up in their group the team qualified for the finals on Tuesday night at Worthing FC. To get to the finals was a great achievement for the team and they faced tough competition from The Orchards, Vale and TAB in the final. The team work hard and played well but finished 4th.

Team: Kieran, Riley, Seb, Bobby, Herbie, Tate, Harry and Theo.



Year 5 Football League:

In their final game of the league the

team drew 1-1 with Sonny scoring against the league champions the



Orchards. The team only lost one game in the league but a series of draws meant a 5th place finish out of the team schools who entered. **Team:** Theo, Tommy, Sonny, Frankie, Luke, Billy, Elliot and Leo.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 19th – Y5/6 5-A-Side Football Festival (Chesswood)

Thursday 21st – KS2 Cross Country Relays (Windlesham House School) Friday 22nd – Y5 & 6 Cup Football Matches Vs West Park (at Durrington Junior) Wednesday 27th – Y5&6 Indoor Athletics Qualifier (St Andrews)

Club Cancellations:

Friday 22nd November – Upper School Football Club Wednesday 27th November – Upper School Netball and Hockey Clubs

Dancemania XI:

During assembly on Thursday the date was announced for Dancemania XI – this Chesswood's pupil led dance festival – which will take place on Monday 9th December in the gym at Chesswood. If pupils would like to take part in the event they will need to choreograph a dance either as a soloist or in a group of up to 6 and rehearse in their break times or own time. The aim is that pupils use their ACRO skills (Attitude, Creativity, Relationships and Organisation) to get themselves ready for the performance. Applications forms are available from Mr Quick and must be returned by Friday 22nd November if they wish to take part.

Capoeira Taster:

Most of the Y3 pupils had a taster session with our Capoeira teachers on Tuesday morning to experience the Brazilian sport which is a combination of gymnastics, martial arts and music.

If any of the children are interested in joining the club which is on a Tuesday from 3.15-4.15pm in the Hall please contact Mrs Rainford for details for an immediate start – sessions are £4 per week.

3. Medical Information – All

A case of headlice has been seen in Year 6. We would ask all parents to check their child's hair and to treat as necessary. Information was sent out on Schoolsbuddy to all Year 6 parents with information regarding treatment for headlice.

4. Clerk to the Governors Required – All

Chesswood Junior School is looking for a Clerk to the Governing Body who will be accountable to the Governing Body, working effectively with the Chair of Governors and with the Head Teacher and other Governors. The Clerk will be responsible for advising the Governing Body on constitutional matters, duties and powers and will work within the broad current legislative framework. S/he will secure the continuity of Governing Body business and observe confidential requirements. Full training will be provided for this 10 hour per month role, paid at £9.74 per hour. Further details will follow on our school website early next week.

5. Chesswood Counts Maths Day – All

Chesswood Counts Maths Day is on Thursday 21st November – this will be a non-school uniform day to dress as a number. We are not expecting huge amounts of effort put into the dressing up – football shirts with a number on, clothing with anything that can be counted on it, or clothing with a pattern (maths!) – it would be great to think that the children would know why their outfit for the day links to maths. The idea is to raise the profile of maths across the school and includes the Rock Wrangle competition – hopefully the dressing up will provide lots of talking points for maths!

6. New Members of Staff – All – Information

We would like to welcome two new members of staff to Chesswood, Abigail Rawlings and Lois Wakeford who will be joining the team in the school office.



7. Nature Area – All – Information

As you may be aware, we have begun work to develop a Nature Area in our Lower School playground. We have begun excavation work on a pond and now need some help from parents and the wider Chesswood community to shape and finish digging the area with spades which the digger couldn't get to. We also need to clear the vegetation away for a wall to be created at the edge of the pond. If anyone is able to come along (with a spade) on the morning of Wednesday 27th November 2019 and help with this project we would be most grateful. Please contact the school office or email <u>kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</u> to confirm if you are able to help. Thank you.

8. Christmas Fayre – All – Information

A reminder that the Christmas Fayre is on Friday 6th December. Thank you to the parents that have already helped and have offered their support on the day, if you haven't done so already and are free to help please email the school office: <u>office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk</u> or come into the school office. Thank you in advance.



9. Pupil out of school achievements



Well done to lots of our footballers (Harrison, Seb, Theo, Frankie and Leo) at the weekend who won various cup finals on Sunday. Here are a few photos of some of the champions with their trophies.

10. Christmas Meal – All – Action

If you would like your child to have a Christmas hot meal on Friday 13th December you can now book this online at <u>www.mealselector.co.uk</u>. the deadline to do so is Sunday 1st December:



11. External Events – All – Information





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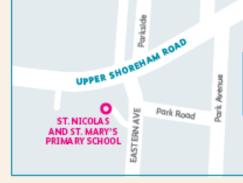
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