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

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November: Mufti day & donations for Christmas Fayre

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas jumper day & Christmas Fayre

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Lunch to be booked by 2<sup>nd</sup> December

## 1. Latest Correspondence – All – Information

Who needed it	Correspondence
All Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday – Homework</li> </ul>

## 2. Sports News – All – Information

### Sports News

#### Y5&6 Football Festival:

On Tuesday afternoon 25 players from Chesswood were joined by pupils from Thomas A Becket, West Park and Durrington Juniors to play in a 5-a-side football festival. For many of the players this is a great chance to play in an organised team against other schools.



#### KS2 Cross Country Relays:

24 runners for across the Year groups went to Windlesham House School on Thursday to take part in the annual cross country relay event. The course is a hilly run across some difficult terrain with each runner completing a lap as quickly as possible. All runners completed their circuits against runners from 6 other schools.

Year 3 finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place, Y4 in 5<sup>th</sup> and both Y5 & 6 finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place.

Y3: Ryan, Ayla, Lilah-Rose, Ben, Aida and Harry

Y4: Benjamin, Millie-Jai, Zach, Eva-Betsy, Ella and Theo

Y5: Luke, Billy, Bella F, Bella P, Sophie and Tommy.

Y6: Seb, Thomas, Riley, Daisy, Grace and Doris.



#### **Upcoming Events:**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Y5&6 Indoor Athletics Qualifier (St Andrews)

#### **Club Cancellations:**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Upper School Netball and Hockey Clubs

### **3. Parent Helpers – All**

We are looking for a few parent helpers to assist with washing and sorting pre-loved uniform in preparation for the pre-loved uniform sale on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December. We also require parent helpers for general librarian duties. If you would like to help but do not currently hold a DBS check, we can make arrangements for this. If you can spare an hour or two, please contact the main office via email [office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) or telephone 01903 204141. Thank you.

### **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. 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 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and help with this project we

would be most grateful. Please contact the school office or email [kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:kbrown@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) to confirm if you are able to help. Thank you to those who have already volunteered.

## 6. Christmas Fayre – All – Information

A reminder that the Christmas Fayre is on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 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: [office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) or come into the school office. Thank you in advance.



## 7. Chesswood Counts Day

Chesswood Counts was the message on Thursday 21st November, as pupils celebrated maths with a wonderful array of mathematical clothing. The message that maths is all around us in our everyday lives, was given during assembly time - we pointed out how much maths they had used already in the day so far: putting clothes on in the correct order, leaving home on time, crossing roads safely by walking at the correct speed and calculating the speed of cars around them, getting to school on time, to name a few.

We also celebrated the fastest multiplication 'Rock Stars' in the school - the top 8 pupils in each year who won through two gruelling rounds to have the privilege of reaching the Rock Wrangle Grand Final in front of their adoring fans (well, the rest of their phase group at least). Year 3 and 4 competitions were held in front of a crowd that silently cheered enthusiastically (to not put the competitors off) and gave great support to all the finalists, while Year 5 and 6 pupils raised the roof with their exuberant cheering in a deafening show of support for their champions. The winners, showing incredible composure and lightning fast multiplication facts, were deserved champions:

Year 3 Emi with a time of 2 minutes 5 seconds

Year 4 Gabriel with a time of 45 seconds

Year 5 Ghenmar with a time of 49 seconds

Year 6 Jayden with a time of 48 seconds

Hopefully, these maths celebrations will inspire the next generation of mathematicians, inspire the next Rock Hero, or at the very least, inspire everyone to give maths a try and to never give up. We look forward to the next competition/celebration in the Spring Term.

## 8. Christmas Meal – All – Action

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

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** **£2.35**

### Festive Menu

*Choose a main meal...*  
 Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Cocktail Sausage & Gravy  
 or  
 Quorn Fillet with Stuffing Ball & Gravy

*on the side...*  
 Roast Potatoes  
 Peas and Carrots

*for dessert...*  
 Chocolate Dipped Shortbread  
 or  
 Fruit Salad

*for a drink...*  
 Fruit Squash  
 Milk  
 Water

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 by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019 latest

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## 9. Treasure Box Association Charity

Diane Lycett, the HR and Finance Manager at Chesswood, is Secretary of The Treasure Basket Association Charity and will be happy to collect any donations in school and send them on to Goring on families behalf. Please send them in, marked for her attention. Many thanks.

### The Treasure Basket Association's Christmas Appeal

Would you like to give back and offer local children a little extra support?

The Treasure Basket Association, based in Goring by Sea, is a charity that supports local children aged 4-11 years who have been through times of emotional distress by providing play therapy.

This Christmas we are asking people who would love to support the children we are working with to consider filling one of our 'Treasure Baskets' with resources to support these children.

We have a list of 20 children and can provide their gender and age to help guide you in what to include.

Below is a list of items that would be gratefully appreciated, but you are free to include whatever you would like to if you also have your own ideas.

The idea is that you get your own family involved and put an item in from 1st to 20th December when they will need dropping off to our charity HQ in Goring.

**Ideas of what to include:**

- Sewing/knitting supplies
- Art and craft materials
- Treats for the child
- Musical Instruments
- Treat for the parent
  - Plant
  - Book
  - Lego
  - A game
  - Toys
- Colouring book
- Stickers
- Slime

Find out more about The Treasure Basket Association by visiting [www.treasurebasketassociation.co.uk](http://www.treasurebasketassociation.co.uk)



## 10. Friends of Chesswood – All information

Please help raise funds for Chesswood when shopping online, especially with Black Friday on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and Christmas shopping. Please register with [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://easyfundraising.org.uk) and choose “Friends of Chesswood” to support our cause. You will be able to shop online in the usual way with no extra cost to you but Friends of Chesswood (which is a registered charity) will receive a donation for each purchase. Please see the flyer below or log on to [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://easyfundraising.org.uk) to see which companies are part of the scheme.

The flyer features a dark blue background with a starry pattern. In the top right corner, the text "GIVE BACK" is written in a light blue, hand-drawn font, with "BLACK FRIDAY" written below it in pink. The easyfundraising logo is in the top left. The main text is in large, bold, black letters. Below the main text, there are two buttons for downloading the app. At the bottom, there is a list of partner retailers and three statistics.

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## 11. External Events – All – Information



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