



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

Wednesday 11th December: Preloved Uniform Sale – 3pm - 3:30pm

Friday 13th December: Christmas Lunch

Friday 20th December: Last day of term

1. Latest Correspondence – All – Information
2. Clerk to the Governors Required - All
3. Cold Weather Clothing – All – Information
4. Healthy Snacks at Breaktime – All - Reminder
5. Pupil Absence from School – All – Reminder
6. Car Parking – All – Information
7. Christmas Card Competition – All – Information
8. Charitable Donation from Roffey Homes
9. Late Photography Orders – All – Information
10. Friends of Chesswood – Amazon Smile – All
11. Letterboxes – All – Information
12. Christmas Holiday Club – All – Information
13. Sports News
14. External Events – All – Information

1. Latest Correspondence – All – Information

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

2. 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.

3. Cold Weather Clothing – All – Information

Please ensure that all pupils have suitable clothing in school for the colder weather. Please see poster for more information.



4. Healthy Snacks at Breaktime – All - Reminder

Breaktime is from 11am-11:15am. Children are encouraged to have a healthy snack to eat during this break. The snack should consist of fresh or dried fruit or cereal bars. No products containing nuts please. Thank you.

5. Pupil Absence from School – All – Reminder

We are just sending out a reminder with regard to pupil absence and the ways that this can be reported to the school. We would ask each day that your child is off unwell for a message to be sent to the school via one of the two options detailed below (the exception to a daily message would be if your child is off school for a period of time that the school has already been notified about or holiday arrangements which have been requested in advance from the school).

Studybugs: This is a downloadable app available for smartphones. On here you are able to put the information onto the app for your child's absence and this will come directly through to the school.

Telephone message: By calling the school on the day of your child's absence the option for Absence is on the main answerphone and this records a message for the office to collect.

The absence request forms are located on the school website under the heading of Parents and under the sub heading of Attendance in the following location:

<https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/form/?pid=203&form=19>

Please also ensure to let the school office know if you have changed any of your contact information so that we can keep our records up to date.

6. Car Parking – All – Information

A gentle reminder to be considerate when parking during pick-up and drop-off times. Baytrees Care Home frequently find cars parked over their driveway, making it difficult for them to get in and out, quite often they are transporting residents. Please be aware in future that they will be reporting vehicle registration number details to Operation Crackdown. Thank you.

7. Christmas Card Competition – All – Information

The Great Chesswood Christmas Card Competition will be running until 9:00am Monday 9th December. Please make sure all entries are given to Miss Wakeford in the school office by this date.



8. Charitable Donation from Roffey Homes

We would like to thank Rob Cheal, managing director for Roffey Homes who are currently developing the Bayside Apartments near Splashpoint, for a very generous charitable donation towards our Nature Area, due for completion in Spring 2020.

9. Late Photography Orders – All – Information

If you have missed the deadline for ordering school photos, you are still able to place an order with Fraser Portraits in time for Christmas. Please see the flyer below for information.



10. Friends of Chesswood – Amazon Smile – All

We are pleased to say that Chesswood is now registered with smile.amazon.co.uk, so if you are shopping online with Amazon in the run up to Christmas, please use the link:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1154865-0> and choose to support Friends of Chesswood. By doing this, Friends of Chesswood, which is a registered charity, will receive a donation from Amazon every time you shop online at no extra cost to you.

Please also remember to use easyfundraising when you do your Christmas shopping. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to Friends of Chesswood School at no extra cost to you – so you can raise donations when you buy gifts, decorations, your festive food shopping or anything else!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofchesswoodschool/?utm_campaign=raise-more

smile.amazon.co.uk

11. Letterboxes – All – Information

We have a Christmas Card letterbox in Reception (next to the Staffroom) for children to post Christmas Cards to their friends! And don't forget we have our everyday letterbox in Reception too.



12. Christmas Holiday Club – All – Information

The Art House in Worthing has opened its doors, and are running a Christmas Holiday Club. Please see below for more information:



The poster features a festive background with a repeating pattern of small, stylized snowflakes. At the top, there are three blue icons: a Christmas tree with the word 'GLUE' inside, a star with a pencil, and a circle with scissors. To the right is the APW Art House logo, which consists of a green wreath with red berries surrounding the text 'APW ART HOUSE' and 'COMMUNITY ART STUDIO' below it. The main title 'Christmas Holiday Club' is written in a large, bold, red font. Below the title, the text 'Join us at the Art House for some Christmas creative fun!' is centered. A list of dates and times follows, each with a cost and a note to bring a packed lunch. At the bottom, contact information for the Art House is provided, including the website and email address.

Christmas Holiday Club

Join us at the Art House for some Christmas creative fun!

Monday 23rd December - 9.30am-2.30pm (£32, bring a packed lunch)
Friday 27th December - 10am-1pm (£15, bring a packed lunch)
Monday 30th December - 9.30am-2.30pm (£32, bring a packed lunch)
Thursday 2nd January - 9.30am-2.30pm (£32, bring a packed lunch)
Friday 3rd January - 10am-1pm (£15, bring a packed lunch)
Monday 6th January - 9.30am-2.30pm (£32, bring a packed lunch)

For more information and booking
www.arthouseworthing.co.uk

APW Art House
Little Stanford, 8 Stanford Square, Worthing BN11 3EZ
@apwarthouse
amelie@arthouseworthing.co.uk

13. Sports News

Y5/6 WSSA Indoor Athletics Cup Final:

The final was expected to be a very tough event with West Park, Goring, The Orchards and TAB as competition. The team knew it would take their best efforts to finish in the top 2 to qualify for the Southern Area Finals and that's what they delivered.

Wins for Matilda in the triple jump and also the 2+2 relay with Eva-Betsy for the Y5 girls team and Frankie winning the chest push and Will the vertical jump for Y5 boys.

Y6 girls Alice won both the triple jump and long jump, Samantha the vertical jump and Maryam the chest push. Thomas won the speed bounce and Bongani the triple jump for the Y6 boys.

The team really raised their game for the event and should be very proud of their 2nd place finish. On to the Southern Area Finals.





Y6 Benchball:

Our Legacy Leaders (Emily, Thomas and Vraj) set up and ran a Benchball tournament for their fellow Y6 pupils. It was a fun event and the competition went down to the very last game to find the winner. Congratulations to Team 3 who eventually won!

Dancemania XI:

All invitations for Dancemania have now been sent out via SchoolsBuddy, if you haven't sent your music in yet please do so soon. Tickets (£1 per seat) are available via SchoolsBuddy or directly from Mr Quick – If you have ordered on SchoolsBuddy they will be sent home with your child next week.

Timings: **Part 1** – Children arrive 4.15pm – Doors open for parents – 5.10pm (can wait in the Hall beforehand) – Performance times – 5.15-6.00pm.

Part 2 – Children must be in the Hall by 6pm and will then go to the gym to practice – Doors open 6.40pm – Performance time – 6.45-7.30pm.

Active Advent:

It's the festive time of year but also time to keep active so again this year we are running the active advent – 6 simple exercises to complete each day over the advent period.

We would love to see as many pupils taking part as possible – the calendar is attached to the Newsletter this week – all pupils who complete all 24 days will receive 25 House points and if you send in a photo or video in with you doing an activity you will get a bonus 25 House Points.

If putting on twitter use #Activeadvent

Active Pupils:

We have been working with Active Sussex to plan how to encourage even more of our pupils to be active during their time at Chesswood and in their own time. Read more about it in the attachment.

Upcoming Events:

Monday 9th December – Dancemaia XI (Chesswood Gym)

Thursday 12th – Legacy Leaders running KS1 Multi-Skills Festival (Davison)

Active Sussex will be working with Chesswood Junior School over this academic year to create a series of case studies that will follow the progress of how the school is engaging pupils identified as less active. The three case studies will link with the new OFSTED framework with each case study focussing on one of the 'three I's': Intent, Implementation and Impact.

About the School

Chesswood Junior School in Worthing is a 5/6 form entry school consisting of approximately 650 pupils spread over 22 classes. The pupil population at Chesswood is diverse, with approximately 23% PP and 18% SEN. The school's mission is to "inspire the whole school community to enjoy their learning adventure and have fun along the way."

Tim Quick coordinates PE and sport at the school and has worked there for 11 years, initially as a classroom teacher and the last 7 as a PE Specialist. Chesswood Junior School has always considered PE and sport a strength of the school, offering approximately 50 extracurricular sports/activity clubs each year. They are also part of both the Worthing School Sports Association (WSSA) and the Southern Area School Games Partnership allowing the school to enter around 60 competitions across the school year. They currently hold the Platinum School Games Mark.

INTENT

This year, Chesswood are aiming to engage more of their less active pupils in physical activity and sport.

Identifying Pupils

Less active pupils have been identified through the school's tracking system that looks at pupil attendance in sport competitions and extracurricular sport/activity clubs.

Less active pupils are deemed by the school as those who have not taken part in either a competition or club in the Autumn term this year (September – end of December). Pupils that didn't attend a club over the last academic year are also studied and added to the list where appropriate.



Chesswood finished third in the 2017/18 Beat the Street programme.

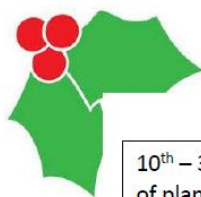
Initial Ideas

The school is currently considering a number of programmes and interventions to encourage this engagement. These include:

- **Active Advent** – a different challenge or activity for pupils to try on each day of December leading up to Christmas.
- **Targeted Circuit Club** – a popular club introduced through an athlete visit by Olympic gymnast, Kelly Sim last year. This year will be promoted specifically to targeted pupils who will gain priority places on the club.
- **Summer Fun Activity Club** – a club that takes a step away from traditional sport clubs and focuses on student led activities and active play with less structure.
- **Beat the Street** – The school came third in the Beat the Street event last year and it was noted that target pupils were engaging in this with their families outside of school time. The school have contacted Tammy Waine, Families and Wellbeing Officer at Adur and Worthing District Council who coordinated the event, to see what other similar programmes could be accessed.

NEXT UP: Implementation

The next case study in this series will focus on what programmes have been put in place by Chesswood and how the school has implemented them.



Be an Active Bright Spark this Advent



10th – 30 seconds of planking

14th – 45 seconds of leg drives

2nd – 15 seconds Sit ups

1st – 15 seconds star jumps

6th – 15 seconds of leg drives

12th – 30 seconds of leg drives

13th – 45 seconds of planking

16th – 45 seconds of press ups

20th – 1 minute – star jumps

22nd – 1 minute of sit ups

24th – 1 min of press ups

5th – 15 seconds press ups

15th – 45 seconds spotty dogs

17th – 45 seconds of sit ups

8th – 30 seconds of sit ups

23rd – 1 minute of leg drives

3rd – Plank for 15 seconds

21st – Planking for 1 minute

4th – 15 seconds of Spotty Dogs

11th – 30 seconds of Spotty Dogs

19th – 1 minute of spotty dogs


9th – 30 seconds of press ups

7th – 30 seconds of star jumps

18th – 45 seconds of star jumps

Can you do all these activities during advent – if you send in a photo/video of you doing some of the activities you will get a 25 House Points bonus. Ask an adult to sign off all activities for 25 House Points when you come back after the festive break. Good luck and keep active over the advent period!!


14. External Events – All – Information



"The Nativity"
Tuesday 10th December
3.30-5.30pm
St George's Church, St George's Road
Come & join us for crafts, games, celebration & a meal
No charge, no need to book.
Donations appreciated.
For further details contact
Kathryn 07594608590
www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk

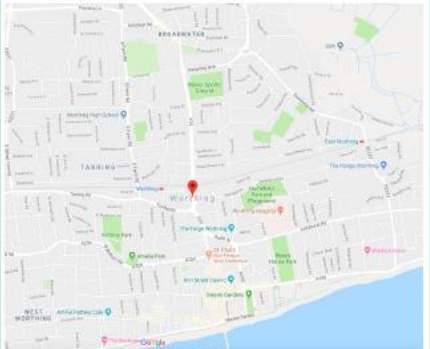


Live Nativity
Leaving From
St George's Church
St George's Road BN11 2DS
Saturday 14th December
At 3pm
Follow the Star
Returning by 4.15pm for carols in the stable with seasonal refreshments



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